



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

February

- 1 Red Cross Blood Drive
- 4 Trustees Meeting
- 5 Staff Parish Meeting
- 21 Young At Heart Luncheon

Backsliders Speakers

- 3 Bill Bullington
- 10 David Netherton
- 17 Hill Carlen
- 24 LeNoir Culbertson

FOOD PANTRY WISH LIST

Please consider adding these items to your grocery shopping list so we may help provide needed items to our friends and neighbors:

- Band-Aids, canned soup, bath soap
- Grocery bags that are clean and flattened.

Sunday Services

Worship Service:

8:30, 10:55

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:55 a.m. Service Broadcast on
News Talk FM 94.1/AM 1600

Nursery Available

Sunday Worship and Sunday
School: 8:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
Children ages birth to 3 years

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www.cookevillefumc.org

MESSAGE FROM OUR INTERIM SENIOR PASTOR

Greetings friends of Christ!

These last few weeks have been both full and delightful as I have had the privilege of being introduced to some of the great ministries and ministers of FUMC. What a dynamic worshipping, serving, and loving community of faith!

My main focus here has been to develop a Transition Team which has three areas of focus: Ask-Task-Last. We are **asking**: *Who are we as a church? What are our gifts? Where is God calling us?* Our **task** is to develop a plan to welcome and open doors for the incoming pastor of the church. And finally, we want the leadership your incoming pastor provides to **last**, so we are strategizing conversations which will open the way for him to hit the ground running. Be ready to say “yes” when a member of the Transition Team asks for your help!

I am excited for you to get to know your new Senior Pastor, Kevin Conrad, and his wife Kathy. Kevin is in his 36th year of service in the Memphis Conference, and is currently serving as the District Superintendent of the Mississippi River District. His wife Kathy is a certified Lay Minister, currently serving Alamo FUMC. They will be moving to Cookeville soon with their dog, Daisy. Their first Sunday here in Cookeville will be March 3.



The doorway to relationships is in knowing names. If you have your nametag, please start wearing it on Sundays. If you do not have one or cannot find yours, there will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex outside the sanctuary for you to request one. Be prepared to introduce yourself more than once. Remember, you only have two names to remember. .. Kevin and Kathy ... but they will have several hundred to learn!

I ask you to pray for Kevin and Kathy as they prepare for this transition. Pray for the congregation to have hearts and minds which are ready to respond to the leadership God is offering this season. Pray for each other – we need each other on life’s journey. And be open to welcoming opportunities in the coming months. God is calling us toward a wonderful future here at Cookeville FUMC! Plan to be a part of it!

In Christ’s Love,

LeNoir Culbertson

BY OUR PRESENCE

Sunday, January 20, 2019

Total Worship Attendance: 346

Sunday, January 27, 2019

Total Worship Attendance: 519

BY OUR GIFTS

Sunday, January, 2019

Budget fund receipts \$13,762.33

Building fund receipts \$950.00

Sunday, January 27, 2019

Budget fund receipts \$15,063.16

Building fund receipts \$2,335.00

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

If there is inclement weather, the church office will make a determination whether activities will be cancelled for weather related purposes. If an activity is cancelled, an announcement will be posted on the homepage of the church web-site by noon and the activity leader will be informed. Participants should contact their leader or the church office with any questions. When activities are cancelled, the facility will not be open nor will anyone be available to open or close the facility.

The Food Pantry will follow the Putnam County School District. If schools are closed for weather conditions on a Tuesday in which the Food Pantry is normally scheduled for distribution, the Food Pantry will be closed. This is for the safety of both our patrons and volunteers.

Save the Date!

Women's Retreat, March 8 – 10, at Beersheba Springs Assembly. More details to follow soon! More info can be found at www.cookevillefumc.org under Upcoming Events.

Call for Retired Toys

Looking for a new home for those infant - 4-year-old toys? The nursery and Pre-K Sunday School classes are looking to adopt toys that have been outgrown. You may email or call Mrs. Shannon Bee Auberson at children@cookevillefumc.org for more details.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER CONCERNS

Vivian Barnes	Elaine Funk	Karen Macke
Janey Bassett	Mary Garrison	Pat Maxwell
Craig Benich	Nate Griffis	Brittany McCloud
James Buck	Joe Hix	Mary Meek
Robert Buck	Alma Jean Johnson	Winnie Peterson
Randy Cavanaugh	Bob Jones	Margaret Phipps
Savannah Lynn Caylor	Ann Kellman	Mary Jo Rogers
Peggy Cho	Nancy Kellman	Sarah Stockton
Delaney Duncan	Mary Byrd King	Keith Walker
Kurt Eisen	Mike Lee	Katie Ward
Brian Lee Foster		Jessie Watts

Missionaries

Eric and Liz Soard

SECOND HARVEST DELIVERY

On Friday, February 1 at 9:45 a.m. the Second Harvest truck will pull into Wesley Chapel Parking lot with two tons of food. Once the truck is here the food needs to be off-loaded, moved into the pantry and sorted/stocked. We sincerely thank those who have signed up, but need more helping souls. If you are available to help, please contact Tamika in the church office or by email, tamika@cookevillefumc.org.

LET'S READ!

Winter can be the best time for curling up with a good book. The church has collections of books throughout the campus, just waiting to be read. Classes, small groups and individuals may want to peruse the Resource Room, located in the basement of Jeff Wall Hall. You will be surprised about all the studies, devotions, books and maps to be found here. Bring a friend and find a treasure!

TRAVEL BUDDIES

Join Travel Buddies and our Senior Adults for a trip to the American Museum of Science and Energy in Oak Ridge, TN. The exhibit features educational and interactive displays exploring energy with a focus on nuclear power.

Cost: \$20 per person for admission and travel. Lunch at Aubrey's following the museum tour. Leave FUMC at 8:30 p.m. in church vans. Return is expected around 4 p.m. In case of weather related cancellation, your check will be return. To sign up, contact Patricia in the church office, 526-2177.

COOKEVILLE RESCUE MISSION

The Cookeville Rescue Mission needs our help! Due to the extreme cold, the Mission has opened an emergency shelter for the winter months to help get those in need sheltered. Because of the large number of guests and the increase in the number of ill individuals, the Mission is in need of toilet paper, paper towels, Lysol, cleaning supplies, and laundry detergent. They are also asking for the donation of cots. FUMC will collected purchased items, or if you'd rather give a donation, we will buy items for them. Thank you for your servant heart and support of the Cookeville Rescue mission. For more information contact Tamika in the church office.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE



American Red Cross

Be a Hero! Come to the American Red Cross Blood Drive, Friday, February 1 in Jeff Wall Hall from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Go to the FUMC website to register.

Plan to donate and save a life!



For updated information, please visit us online at www.cookevillefumc.org or find us on Facebook and Twitter.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIFE MEALS



Make your standing reservations now for Wednesday Night Life Dinners by calling the church office, or go

online to www.cookevillefumc.org (click on the front page slide). Dinner is served from 5-6 p.m. in the Christian Life Center. Cost: \$5 per person; \$20 family maximum.

February 6: Cheesy Chicken Spaghetti, salad, lima beans, rolls, Butterscotch Delight

February 13: Baked ziti, salad, green beans, rolls, chocolate cake

YOUNG AT HEART

Thursday, February 21 at 11 a.m. in Jeff Wall Hall. "Sharing Love with Others". Hear stories of acts of love involving people you know (or want to know). Hosted by Mary Alice Gran and Jennie Ivey, we'll hear Bible stories, church stories and around-the-table stories that will fill our morning and our hearts. Join us, and feel the love of God! Make reservations by December 11 through the Church Office, 526-2177. Cost: \$5 at the door.

GENERAL CONFERENCE SPECIAL SESSION

There will be a special session for the General Conference meeting in St. Louis, February 23-26. The purpose is to address the mission compromising internal conflict within the church regarding the LGBTQ ministry. The goal is to allow the regular 2020 session of the Conference to focus on mission and the next steps for the church's unified global witness.

On February 13 and 20 in room B019, during Wednesday Night Life, there will be a class option open to all for discussion and prayer. This will not be a session to focus on our conflict, but rather to explore ways to have peaceful conversations about difficult topics. Adam Daniels and Rob Wheeler will be leading these sessions.

Also, during the General Conference meeting times, we will offer a designated place at FUMC for a time of self-guided prayer. And many United Methodists are pausing to be in intentional prayer between 2:23-2:26 p.m. Beginning this Sunday, there will be a Q and A information sheet available in the narthex to give you more information, or you can go online to www.umc.org for "Commission on a Way Forward" for more information.

WELCOME CENTER VOLUNTEERS

The Welcome Center needs volunteers: 8:30 and 10:55 a.m. Please contact Judy Layne, 349-0030, for more information.

CHURCH EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, February 3

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School — Classrooms
- 10:55 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class — B214
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Super Bowl Party — Youth Room

Monday, February 4

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study — B213
- 10:00 a.m. Dorcas Circle — B017
Mary Martha Circle — B213
- 5:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting — B213

Tuesday, February 5

- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Team — Jenkins Chapel
- 9:15 a.m. Early Childhood Music Class — C206B
- 10:00 a.m. Anna Rebecca Circle — Parlor
- 2:00 p.m. Cookeville Dulcimer Society—B214
Rescue Mission Cooking — Jeff Wall Hall
- 2:30 p.m. Food Pantry — Wesley Chapel
- 5:15 p.m. Staff Parish Meeting — Conference Room

Wednesday, February 6

- 6:00 p.m. Men's Group — C112
- 9:00 a.m. Hope Academy
- 9:15 a.m. Early Childhood Music Class — C206B
- 9:30 a.m. GriefShare — Magnolia House
- 10:00 a.m. Playtime for Preschoolers — Gym
- 10:30 a.m. Mining Your Memories — B213
- 3:30 p.m. Knitting — B206
- 4:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer — B214
Choir Club — Music Suite
- 5:30 p.m. *Discerning the Voice of God* — B206
- 6:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer — B017
Creation — B213
Disciple II— B214
Peace, Grace, and Other Impossible Things — B019
Trinity — B210
Youth Choir — Music Suite
- 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir — Music

Thursday, February 7

- 9:15 a.m. Early Childhood Music Class — C206B
- 1:45 p.m. Jubilee Ringers — Sanctuary
- 4:45 p.m. Sanctuary Handbells — Sanctuary
- 5:45 p.m. Evening Ensemble — Music Suite
- 6:30 p.m. Gospel Ensemble — Music Suite

Friday, February 8

- 8:00 a.m. Dipsy Doodle Men's Breakfast — Dipsy Doodle Restaurant

Saturday February 9

- 10:00 a.m. GriefShare — Magnolia House

A NOTE OF GRATITUDE FROM ANN KELLMAN

Dear FUMC family—I would like to express my thanks for all the support I have been given during this time of my surgery. Thanks so much for all the individual cards of encouragement, group get-well cards, phone calls, food, and of course all the prayers that have been lifted up for me. Thanks also to Dr. LeNoir Culbertson for her concern and all her calls to check on me after surgery. I appreciate each and every one. In Christian love, Ann Kellman.



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February Services

February 10

The Table is a place that's fresh and familiar, thoughtful and dynamic, hopeful and full of grace.

Come join us and find your place here.

Open hearts. Open minds. Open Doors. The people of The United Methodist Church.

FUMC KIDS - WNL MOVIE NIGHTS

Join us on Wednesday Nights for Children's Movie Night!



Where: The landing of the Christian Life Center in the Sunday School Classroom wing.

When? 5:30-6:00 p.m.

What's playing?

February 6 — UP (PG)

February 13 — Melody: An American Girl Story (TV-Y)

February 20 — Big Hero 6 (PG)

February 27 — Inside Out (PG)

FUMC KIDS EVENTS—SAVE THE DATE!

February 10 — Sunday School GLOW Sunday

March 5 — Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

March 6 — Ash Wednesday

April 14 — Palm Sunday

April 18 — Maundy Thursday

April 19 — Good Friday

April 20 — Easter Egg Hunt

April 21 — Easter Sunday

April 29 — Confirmation Sunday

SCOUT SUNDAY

February 10 is Scout Sunday. During the worship service on this day, we want to recognize all young people who are involved in scouting programs and their leaders. You are invited to wear your uniforms this day!

3RD GRADE BIBLE PRESENTATION

Fourteen third graders were honored and bestowed new Bibles during the 8:30 a.m. service on January 13. These Bibles will be utilized during their Sunday School class with teachers Mary Alice Gran, Catherine Benich, and Valerie Sergio.

A small reception for the children and their families was held in the CLC Dining Hall to celebrate this new journey with their Bibles and learning how to navigate the world with it. Parents and children explored learning stations that were set up to show new and fun ways to read and learn all the books of the Bible.

EARLY CHILDHOOD MUSIC CLASSES

Registration is now open for fall semester Early Childhood Music. Classes are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings beginning the week of February 5.



Contact Janet Worley, 526-2177, for more information.

