



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

April

- 2 Ladies Bunco
- 7 "Requiem for the Living"
- 14 Palm Sunday
- 18 Maundy Thursday
- 19 Good Friday
- 20 Easter Egg Hunt
- 21 Easter
- 27 Mother-Daughter Brunch

EASTER SERVICES—APRIL 21

- 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service, Wesley Chapel
- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service, sanctuary
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School classes
Easter Brunch
- 10:55 a.m. Worship Service, sanctuary

New GriefShare Group

A new GriefShare group began its 13-week session on Tuesday, March 26, at Dyer Funeral Home on S. Willow Avenue. The group meets each Tuesday until June 18, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. For more information call Robert Jager 644-2435.

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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LENTEN EVENTS SCHEDULE

Requiem for the Living — Music Concert

Sunday, April 7, at 6 p.m. in the sanctuary.

The Chancel Choir, Chamber Orchestra and Soloists will present Dan Forrest's REQUIEM FOR THE LIVING. A Requiem is a prayer for rest and in its traditional form is a prayer for the deceased. The five movements of Forrest REQUIEM, written in 2013, form a narrative that is just as much for the living who survive, and their own struggle with pain and sorrow.

REQUIEM FOR THE LIVING was commissioned by the Hickory Choral Society (Hickory, North Carolina) as part of their ongoing commitment to funding new major works for the choral repertoire. The performance will feature soloists Creed Hardison, Georgia Gross, Cass Roberts and organist, Martha Sue Bonner. The choir is under the direction of Kathy Evans.

Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 14, 8:30 a.m. and 10:55 a.m. in the sanctuary.

Palm Sunday, or Passion Sunday as it is referred to in some Christian churches, is the sixth Sunday of Lent and last Sunday before Easter. On this holy day we commemorate Jesus Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. At FUMC, our children, ages 3-6th grade, are invited to participate in the palm processional. The children will meet in the landing in the Narthex at 8:20 a.m. for the early service and/or 10:50 a.m. for the later service.

Maundy Thursday

Thursday, April 18, at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary.

On Maundy Thursday (also called Holy Thursday), we commemorate the Last Supper. During the meal, Jesus broke bread and shared the cup, saying "This is my body, given up for you and this is my blood poured out for the forgiveness of your sins." Holy Communion is one of the two sacraments recognized by the United Methodist church and a meaningful experience that we share together.

Good Friday

Friday, April 19, at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary.

As we come together to remember the suffering of Christ on the cross, we will hear the words of those with whom Jesus interacted or spoke of in his ministry. The service of scripture, monologue, and music will bring about a true appreciation of the glory of Easter morning.

Community Lenten Services

Monday - Friday, April 15-19, from noon - 12:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church across from the Freeman Building. Lunch served from 12:30 - 1 p.m. for \$5.

We gather with community members across faiths as we re-live the events of Jesus' last week on earth: his triumphal entry into Jerusalem, cleansing the temple, teaching his followers, dealing with challenges of Pharisees and Sadducees, his Last Supper with the disciples, prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane, betrayal, trial, crucifixion, death, and burial.

BY OUR PRESENCE

Sunday, March 17, 2019

Total Worship Attendance: 389

Sunday, March 24, 2019

Total Worship Attendance: 455

BY OUR GIFTS

Sunday, March 17, 2019

Budget fund receipts \$19,488.00

Building fund receipts \$285.00

Sunday, March 24, 2019

Budget fund receipts \$21,429.16

Building fund receipts \$1,150.00

TTU Wesley Foundation Meals— Volunteer Opportunity

Interested in assisting with providing meals once a week to our college age students at TTU Wesley Center? Contact Tracy Epps for more information at lepps@charter.net.

Young at Heart Luncheon

Thursday, April 25, 11 a.m. in the Christian Life Center

“Get to Know the Conrads” - Our new Senior Pastor and his wife, Kevin and Kathy Conrad, will each share the story of their life’s journey: where they grew up, family, experiences of faith, calling, work and ministry, as well as their experience of God’s transforming grace in each leg of their journey. A time for questions will also be offered. Plus enjoy a “Grade A” meal! Cost: \$5. Make reservations by Tuesday, April 23 by calling the church office, 526-2177.

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:

- Tomato sauce, bath soap, Kroger Dry Milk (box with 10 one-quart pouches)
- Grocery bags that are clean and flattened.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Missionaries

Eric and Liz Soard

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR EASTER BRUNCH

Easter Sunday, April 21 in the CLC during the Sunday School hour.

We will provide fruit, pastries and beverages. Please sign up to bring egg casseroles. Volunteers also needed for preparation and clean up. Contact Patricia in the church office, patricia@cookevillefumc.org, 526-2177.

BEST OF THE HOLY LAND TOUR



March 31, at 2 p.m. in Jeff Wall Hall.

Join us for an informational meeting about a trip to the Holy Land in March 2020. Our trip brochure can be accessed at <http://adobe.ly/2C5T4LO>. Hard copies of the brochure are available in the church office, at the Welcome Desk in the narthex, and will be available at the informational meeting. We

invite you to be a part of this adventure in faith to witness the Bible come to life! For more information, contact Bob and Pam Blair, 372-8828 or Susan Ray, 526-3642.

MOTHER-DAUGHTER BRUNCH

You are invited to our first Mother-Daughter Brunch, Saturday, April 27 at 10 a.m. in the Christian Life Center. This promises to be a fun event for women of all ages. Bring your daughter-in-law, neighbor, aunt, friend, granddaughter and those women special to you. Cost is \$10 per person. Make your reservation and payment through the church office or at the table in the narthex beginning March 31. Reservations must be made by April 18. Contact the church office with questions.

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.

April 3: Chicken salad, pasta salad, fruit bowl, brownies.

April 10: BBQ chicken, salad, hashbrown casserole, rolls, banana pudding.

LADIES BUNCO NIGHT TO BENEFIT THE FOOD PANTRY

Tuesday, April 2 at 6 p.m. in Jeff Wall Hall

Join us as we play Bunco and enjoy food and fellowship. Bunco is an easy, non-competitive, social dice game. No prior experience needed. Bring a finger food to share (Pantry volunteers are exempt) and a donation of cash for the purchase of eggs. Registration is required by April 1 by contacting Paula Lilly, h2olilly@charter.net, 931-267-5296.



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

EASTER HYDRANGEAS



It is time to place orders for the flowers that we will use to decorate the church altar for Easter Sunday, April 21. Help enhance our altar lilies by purchasing hydrangeas in memory or in honor of someone special. Order forms are located in the church office and in the Narthex. All orders must be in the church office before noon on Wednesday, April 17.

The cost is \$16 and your check, made payable to the church, must accompany your order form. You may take your hydrangea home after the 10:55 a.m. service on Easter Sunday, April 21.

HOPE ACADEMY ART DISPLAY



The students of Hope Academy have an art exhibit in the lobby of Wilson Bank and Trust. Please drop by to see their great work.

WHAT IS LENT?

Lent is a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. Lent comes from the Anglo Saxon word *lencten*, which means "spring." The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temptation of Satan and preparing to begin his ministry.

Lent is a time of repentance, fasting and preparation for the coming of Easter. It is a time of self-examination and reflection. In the early church, Lent was a time to prepare new converts for baptism. Today, Christians focus on their relationship with God, often choosing to give up something or to volunteer and give of themselves for others.

Sundays in Lent are not counted in the forty days because each Sunday represents a "mini-Easter" and the reverent spirit of Lent is tempered with joyful anticipation of the Resurrection.

Source: <http://www.umc.org/what-we-believe/what-is-lent-and-why-does-it-last-forty-days>

CHURCH EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, March 31

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School — Classrooms
- 10:55 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 1:00 p.m. Holy Land Informational Meeting — Jeff Wall Hall
- 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class — B214
- UMYF — Youth Room
- 6:00 p.m. Wesley Foundation Meal — TTU Wesley Foundation
- The Table* Worship Service — Wesley Chapel

Monday, April 1

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study — B213
- 9:00 a.m. Senior Adult Fitness — Gym
- 10:00 a.m. Dorcas Circle — B017
- Esther Circle — B210
- Mary Martha Circle — B213
- 2:00 p.m. Rescue Mission Cooking — Jeff Wall Hall Kitchen
- 3:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer — B214
- 5:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting — B213
- 6:30 p.m. Esther Circle — B214

Tuesday, April 2

- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Team — Jenkins Chapel
- 9:15 a.m. Early Childhood Music Class — C206B
- 9:30 a.m. GriefShare — Dyer Funeral Home
- 10:00 a.m. Anna Rebecca Circle — Parlor
- 2:00 p.m. Cookeville Dulcimer Society — B214
- 2:30 p.m. Food Pantry — Wesley Chapel
- 5:15 p.m. Staff Parish Meeting — B213
- 6:00 p.m. Ladies Bunco — Jeff Wall Hall

Wednesday, April 3

- 6:00 p.m. Men's Group — C112
- 9:00 a.m. Hope Academy
- 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
- 5:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Life Meal — Christian Life Center
- 6:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer — B017
- Creation* — B213
- Discerning the Voice of God* — B206
- Disciple II* — B214
- Peace, Grace, and Other ...* — B019
- Trinity* — B210
- Youth Choir — Music Suite
- 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir — Music Suite

Thursday, April 4

- 9:15 a.m. Early Childhood Music Class — C206B
- 1:45 p.m. Jubilee Ringers — Sanctuary
- 3:00 p.m. Chair Yoga — Gym
- 4:45 p.m. Sanctuary Handbells — Sanctuary
- 5:45 p.m. Evening Ensemble — Music Suite
- 6:30 p.m. Gospel Ensemble — Music Suite

Friday, April 5

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

Saturday April 6

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



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**APRIL 20
 10 A.M. - NOON
 DOGWOOD PARK**

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

YOUTH—SUNDAY EVENING SCHEDULE

- March 31 — Meal and *The Table*
- April 7 — Meal and *How to Study the Bible*
- April 14 — Meal and *The Table*
- April 21 — NO MEAL or UMYF (Easter)
- April 28 — Meal and *The Table*
- May 5 — Senior Banquet
- May 12 — Meal and *The Table*

FUMC KIDS EVENTS—SAVE THE DATE!

- 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

ALTAR FLOWER SPONSORSHIP AVAILABLE

We have a fifth Sunday in June, which means we have a one-time only altar flower sponsorship available June 30. Interested? Contact Patricia in the front office at 526-2177.

EGG HUNT DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEERS

If you would like to volunteer or help with plastic egg or monetary donations for the Easter Egg Hunt on April 20, contact Shannon at 526-2177.

ANGELS ATTIC UPDATE

We have been working the last several weeks to reopen Angels Attic and are now ready to begin taking donations. Thanks to those of you who have been holding your things and waiting for us to reopen.

Angels Attic needs Spring and Summer clothes:

- Children's: new born thru teens
- Men's: short-sleeve shirts, shorts, Levi's
- Women's: shorts, short sleeve blouses, light-weight long sleeved blouses, Capri slacks and Levi's.
- Sheets and towels

We do not need any dressy clothes items. No suits, sport coats, dress slacks etc. Also, due to our limited space we do not have room for lamps, pictures, picture frames, dishes or glassware. If you have any of these items, Serenity Thrift on E. 10th Street would appreciate receiving them. Thank you once again for your donations and continued commitment to the Angels Attic ministry.

NEW! SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES FACEBOOK PAGE

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