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Worship Service Volunteers

Have you thought about serving as a liturgist? Have you thought about serving as an usher? There are places of service in all areas of the life of the church and your special gifts are needed. Please contact Kathy Evans, music@cookevillefumc.org. We welcome and need new people in all areas of Worship support.

Sunday Services

Worship Service:
8:30, 10:55, and 11:00 a.m.
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:55 a.m. Service Broadcast on
WATX-AM 1600

Nursery Available

Sunday Worship and Sunday
School: 8:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.
Children ages birth to 4 years

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FROM OUR SENIOR PASTOR

As I was eating lunch at home this past Thursday, I happened to see the beginning of the impeachment proceedings for that day. I was struck by the prayer of the Senate Chaplain, retired Rear Admiral Barry Black. In such a tumultuous time, with political passions running so high, how do you pray to address the situation? Rev. Black prayed for civility, mindfulness, and prayerful pondering about how our words and actions either glorify God or misrepresent God. Here is the text of his prayer:

Let us pray. Almighty God, our Rock of Ages, be omnipresent during this impeachment trial, providing Senators with the ushering awareness of your powerful involvement. May they strive to have a clear conscience in whatever they do for you and country. Lord, help them remember that listening is often more than hearing. It can be an empathetic attentiveness that builds bridges and unites. May our Senators not permit fatigue or cynicism to jeopardize friendships that have existed for years. At every decision point throughout this trial, may they ask which choice will bring God the greater glory. We pray in your mighty name. Amen.

Apparently, the day before, Rev. Black prayed, "Help them (the Senators) remember that patriots reside on both sides of the aisle, that words have consequences, and that how something is said can be as important as what is said. Give them a civility built upon integrity that brings consistency in their beliefs and actions. We pray in your powerful name. Amen."

In such a tumultuous time, I think the Senate chaplain's prayer is appropriate for all of us as we navigate divisive issues, both in our culture and in the church. We should approach the issues with civility, mindfulness and prayerful pondering about how our words and actions either honor God or misrepresent the heart of God. May God help us.

~ Kevin

Navigating Denominational Change Town Hall Meeting Notes

The Power Point presentation used in the Town Hall Meeting last Sunday is now available at www.cookevillefumc.org.

BY OUR PRESENCE

Sunday, January 19, 2020

Total Worship Attendance: 396

Sunday, January 26, 2020

Total Worship Attendance: 510

BY OUR GIFTS

Sunday, January 19, 2020

Budget fund receipts \$14,750.50

Sunday, January 26, 2020

Budget fund receipts \$22,880.42

Capital Improvement fund receipts \$20.00

Wednesday Night Life Meals

Wednesday Night Life dinners have resumed January 15. Dinner is served from 5-6 p.m. in the Christian Life Center. Cost: \$5 per person; \$20 family maximum. Make your reservations online at www.cookevillefumc.org or by calling the church office.

February 5: Cheesy chicken spaghetti, salad, lima beans, Butterscotch Delight (no nuts)

February 12: Baked ziti, salad, green beans, chocolate cake

February Backsliders Speakers

- 2 Dr. John Averitt
- 9 Mary Alice Gran
- 17 Dr. George Chitayo
- 23 Pat Wallace

Save the Date!



- FUMC Kids Summer Day Camp
- Club 456 Camp: June 2, 9, 16, 23
 - Children K-6th Camp: June 4, 11, 25



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

FIRST ANNUAL FUMC CHILI COOK-OFF



Join us for our first-ever chili cook-off TODAY, noon until 2 p.m. in the Christian Life Center. Cost to sample chili entries is \$5 per person, with a maximum of \$20 per family, pay at the door. Cookies and drinks are included in the price. This event is sponsored by the Servant Ministry Team and is a fundraiser for the Red Bird Build Ministry in Kentucky and for our local Habitat for Humanity. For more information, contact Tamika at the church office, 526-2177.

SECOND HARVEST DELIVERY



Due to the availability of some items at a very reasonable price, the pantry will be receiving a large delivery from Second Harvest on Friday, February 7. The crew can use all the extra man/woman power available! Please consider joining us that morning at 9:15 a.m. in the Wesley Chapel parking lot.

YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON

Thursday, February 20, 11 a.m. in Jeff Wall Hall

Heart Stories - Warm your soul in chilly February as you listen to wonderful stories from the heart. The members of the Mining Your Memories class will share stories they have written - gentle, delightful and poignant. Enjoy their memories, and be remind of your own. Luncheon cost: \$5. Make reservations by Tuesday, February 18 at 523-2177.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER CONCERNS

Vivian Barnes	Geneva Harris	Paul McLendon
Janey Bassett	Joe Hix	Linda McConnell
Tia Bassett	Jim Hughes	Aidan Moore
Juanita Bilyeu	Bob Jones	Jim Murchison
Robert Buck	Ann Kellman	Larry Norton
Savannah Lynn Caylor	Gary Kellman	Rob Poteet
Peggy Cho	Kirk Kellman	Mary Jo Rogers
Faye Curry	Nancy Kellman	Mollie Rogers
Mary Mac Darnell	Mary Byrd King	Roxanne Self
Delaney Duncan	Teena King	Sarah Stockton
Hazel Dyer	Mike Lee	Estelle Thompson
Brian Lee Foster	Annette Lynch	Jessie Watts
Elaine Funk	Karen Macke	Pam White
Mary Garrison	Brian Maffett	Harriett Wright
Nate Griffis	Sylvia McCann	

Missionaries

Eric and Liz Soard

Sympathy and Prayer

Friends and family of Winnie Peterson.

Friends and family of Peyton Gunnels, Sr.

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:

- Dish detergent, band-aids, baby food
- Grocery bags that are clean and flattened, and plastic newspaper sleeves.

FUMC KIDS CORNER

SHROVE TUESDAY



Join us for Shrove Tuesday - the Feast Before the Fast February 25, 5-6:30 p.m. in the Christian Life Center Fellowship Hall!

What is Shrove Tuesday? Shrove Tuesday (also known as Pancake Day) is the last day before the period that Christians call Lent. It is traditional on this day to eat pancakes.

CHILDREN'S UNPLUG AND FOOD LAB



UnPlug & Food Lab meet Wednesdays in Jeff Wall Hall 5-7 p.m. UnPlug Club is for children ages 4 years - 6th grade who need and want to go "off the grid" for a few hours.

UnPlug is devotions, games, crafts, homework help, and this year... Kid-Friendly Meal Time with our Food Lab!

At Food Lab, kids help make their own dinner and then enjoy it around the table with friends while playing, crafting, and finishing homework. Contact Shannon at 526-2177, for more info!



CONFIRMATION KIDS

The Confirmation students enjoyed an evening with mentor Ms. Kathy Evans. They discussed the importance of music and songs in worship.



CHURCH EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, February 2

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School — Class Rooms
- 10:55 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 12:00 p.m. Chili Cook-Off — Christian Life Center
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Praise Band — Wesley Chapel
- 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class — B214

Monday, February 3

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study — B213
- 10:00 a.m. Beginning Bridge, Diamonds (ALL) — Parlor
- Bridge for the Beginner, Hearts (ALL) — Jeff Wall Hall
- Mary Martha Circle — B213
- 11:00 a.m. The Journey (ALL) — B210
- 12:00 p.m. The Road Back to You — 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

Tuesday, February 4

- 9:15 a.m. Early Childhood Music — C206B
- 10:00 a.m. Anna Rebecca Circle — Parlor
- 2:00 p.m. Cookeville Dulcimer Society
- 2:30 p.m. Food Pantry — Wesley Chapel
- 3:00 p.m. Strength and Balance (ALL) — Gym
- 5:30 p.m. SPRC Meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Young Adult Council Meeting — B213

Wednesday, February 5

- 6:00 a.m. Men's Group — C112
- 9:00 a.m. Hope Academy
- iPhone II (ALL) — B210
- 9:15 a.m. Early Childhood Music — C206B
- 9:30 a.m. Bridge II (ALL) — Parlor
- GriefShare — Magnolia House
- 10:00 a.m. iPhone I (ALL) — B210
- Playtime for Preschoolers — Gym
- 10:30 a.m. Mining Your Memories — B213
- 11:00 a.m. Cooking with Chef Chad (ALL) — Off Campus
- 1:00 p.m. Cooking with Chef Chad (ALL) — Off Campus
- 1:30 p.m. Vietnam: A Broader History (ALL) — B213
- 2:00 p.m. Introduction to Machine Sewing (ALL) — Off Campus
- 3:30 p.m. Knitting — B206
- 4:00 p.m. Choir Club — Music Suite
- 5:00 p.m. WNL Dinner — Christian Life Center
- Children's UnPlug — Jeff Wall Hall
- 5:30 p.m. Teen Ringers — C209
- 6:00 p.m. Disciple I — B017
- Illumination Bible Study — B210
- Life Stuff: A Conversation with Brene Brown — B012
- Living a Praying Life — B206
- Slow Kingdom Coming — Youth Room
- The Good and Beautiful Life — B214
- Youth Choir — Music Suite
- 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir — Music Suite

Thursday, February 6

- 9:15 a.m. Early Childhood Music Class — C206B
- 1:00 p.m. The Good and Beautiful Life — B210
- 2:00 p.m. Stepping Up (ALL) — Gym
- 3:00 p.m. Gentle Yoga — Gym
- 5:45 p.m. Evening Ensemble — Music Suite
- 6:30 p.m. Gospel Ensemble — Music Suite

Friday, February 7

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

Saturday, February 8

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

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**Sunday, February 9 at 6 p.m.
in Wesley Chapel**

Youth Choir Tour 2020 Fundraiser

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

MUSIC MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES



We have a place for you and welcome new members! Rehearsals begin this week! Contact Kathy Evans at music@cookevillefumc.org.

BUNCO

Ladies, please join us for *Ladies Night Out Bunco* to benefit the Redbird Build. We will play Bunco and enjoy food and fellowship. Bunco is an easy, social dice game. No experience is necessary. Our night out will be Tuesday, February 18 at 6 p.m. in Jeff Wall Hall. Bring a finger food to share and your monetary donation for the Red Bird Home. The Red Bird Mission serves those in need in the UMC conference in Kentucky. Please pre-register by contacting Paula Lilly at h2olilly@charter.net or 931-267-5296.

FUMC KIDS EVENTS—SAVE THE DATE!

February 25 — Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
February 26 — Ash Wednesday
April 5 — Palm Sunday
April 9 — Maundy Thursday
April 10 — Good Friday
April 11 — Easter Egg Hunt
April 12 — Easter Sunday
April 25 — Mother Daughter Banquet
April 26 — Confirmation Sunday

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Be a Hero! Come to the American Red Cross Blood Drive, Friday, January 31 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!

ANGELS ATTIC

Angels Attic requests donations of :

- Blankets—any size
- Coats and jackets for children, men and women

EARLY CHILDHOOD MUSIC CLASSES

The 2020 spring sessions of early childhood music begin February 4 and 5. Join in the fun as parents or other family caregivers accompany their young children in a nurturing environment of musical exploration. Taught by Janet Worley, the classes fosters musical skills through singing, chanting, playing instruments, dancing, and dramatic play.

Early Childhood Music classes will meet once a week for 11 weeks and will not meet during the Putnam County School's spring break. Registration is open to the members of the Cookeville community. There is a per family fee of \$40 for class materials. Please contact the Music Ministry Office for registration forms and information at 931-526-2177, ext. 204, or by email at music@cookevillefumc.org. Registration is also available on the church website, www.cookevillefumc.org.

