



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March

- Feb 28— Mar 1 Discovery Weekend
- 2 Trustees Meeting
 - 6 Second Harvest Delivery
 - 8 Daylight Savings
 - 9-18 Holy Land Trip
 - 15-20 Youth Mission Trip
 - 16-20 Spring Break
 - 19 Young At Heart
 - 27-29 Confirmation Retreat
 - 29 *Music That Feeds* Concert
 - 30 Ladies Bunco Night

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

Last Sunday's visit from Rev. Eric Soard was a reminder of how our United Methodist Church is a global connectional church. Eric is the Leadership Development Coordinator through his appointment as a missionary through the United Methodist General Board of Global Ministries. Liz is the Volunteer in Missions Coordinator for the Tanania United Methodist Church. They live in Mwanza. Eric and Liz's ten years of service in Tanzania have been remarkably fruitful. Over fifteen new churches have been gathered and launched, as well as "Wesley College." It is important for all of us to know how their work is funded.

The Wesley College and Education Center Advance Number at GBGM is 3021925. The mailing address is:

Advance GCFA
P.O. Box 9068 GPO
New York, NY 10087-9068
(Please include the Advance number above)

There is also a foundation:

Tanzania Wesley Education Foundation
C/O John West
1872 Lake Ridge Rd.
Birmingham, AL 35216

An email and websites are also available:

ericsoard@umcmmission.org
www.ourjourneyingodslife.com
www.wesleycollegegetzfoundation.com

I thought the points of Eric's sermon were particularly important for us to keep in mind through the Lenten Season. God calls us:

- To be a holy presence—blessing others;
- To pursue holy relationships—especially with those different from us;
- To seek holy, just actions—as expressions of fairness, equity and “setting things right.”

Words of wisdom, guidance and grace as we examine our “walk” with Christ through the season of Lent.

~ *Kevin*

BY OUR PRESENCE

Sunday, February 16, 2020

Total Worship Attendance: 369

Sunday, February 23, 2020

Total Worship Attendance: 575

BY OUR GIFTS

Sunday, February 16, 2020

Budget fund receipts \$25,720.50

Capital Improvement fund receipts \$370.00

Sunday, February 23, 2020

Budget fund receipts \$20,791.31

Capital Improvement fund receipts \$190.00

Wednesday Night Life Meals

Dinner is served each Wednesday from 5-6 p.m. in the Christian Life Center. Cost: \$5 per person; \$20 family maximum. Reservations are required. Make your reservations by calling the church office, or online at www.cookevillefumc.org.

March 4: Chicken and rice casserole, salad, steamed broccoli, Mountain Dew cake

March 11: Baked ham, pinto beans, salad, niblet corn, apple cobbler

March 18: Spring Break, no meal or WNL activities.

Save the Date!



FUMC Kids Summer Day Camp

→ Club 456 Camp:

June 2, 9, 16, 23

→ Children K-6th Camp:

June 4, 11, 25

Lenten Activities and Services

Join us for the many services and activities offered throughout this sacred season. You can find a complete listing on our website at www.cookevillefumc.org. Click on The Lenten Season front page slide.



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

ANGELS ATTIC UPDATE

Thanks to all of you who helped make our Angel Attic mission successful in 2019. Because of your continued support, we have already provided 105 families with clothes and home goods this year.

The item below are things that are needed:

- Infant clothing
- Sizes 2T through 6T
- Men's jeans and short sleeve shirts (please no suits, sport coats or dress slacks)
- Women's shirts, tops and slacks
- Towels and sheets

If you have any questions about Angels Attic or would like to volunteer two hours a month please contact Tamika Parker at 526-2177.

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>

SECOND HARVEST VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We have a Food Pantry delivery from Second Harvest scheduled for Friday, March 6. If you can help unload, meet at the Wesley Chapel [parking lot at 9:15 a.m. Call Tamika for more information, 526-2177.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Sympathy and Prayer

Bill and Ann Kellman, on the death of their sister-in-law, Nancy Kellman. Friends and family of Mollie Rogers. Barbara Hughes and family, on the death of her husband, Jim Hughes.



April 4 at 8a.m. in the Freeman Building Gym. Our church, led by our youth and children's ministries, is sponsoring a "Walk for Water."

So what is a "Walk for Water?" It's a 3.5 mile walk in which participants walk to a "water source" and carry it back to where they started the walk. This mirrors the experience of 2.1 billion people around the world who do not have access to clean water.

Participants are also asked to raise money to give to Water Mission, an organization working to provide clean water sources all over the world. Walkers can be sponsored, give money themselves, or work as a team to raise funds.

You might also consider giving something up, or fasting from something, during the season of Lent and giving the money you would have spent to this effort.

A few statistics on the global water crisis:

- In Africa, women spend 200 million hours per day walking for water.
- One person dies every 37 seconds from water-related illnesses.
- Every \$1 invested in safe water yields \$4-\$34 in economic return.
- 50% of the developing world's hospital beds are filled with people suffering from water-related diseases.

Our goal is 5,000 dollars for clean water projects around the world. to sign up for the walk and to get a link to your own fundraising page, email Adam Daniels at adaniels7@gmail.com.

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!



CHURCH EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, March 1 — Discovery Weekend

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School — Class Rooms
Lenten Sunday School — Christian Life Center
- 10:55 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 4:00 p.m. Youth Praise Band — Wesley Chapel
- 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class — B214
- 6:00 p.m. Wesley Foundation Meal — Wesley Foundation

Monday, March 2

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study — B213
- 10:00 a.m. Esther Circle Day Meeting — B210
Mary Martha Circle — B213
- 12:00 p.m. The Road Back to You — B213
- 2:00 p.m. Rescue Mission Cooking — Jeff Wall Hall
- 3:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer — B214
- 5:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting — B213
- 6:30 p.m. Vision 2020+ — B213

Tuesday, March 3

- 9:15 a.m. Early Childhood Music — C206B
- 10:00 a.m. Anna Rebecca Circle — Parlor
- 2:00 p.m. Cookeville Dulcimer Society — B214
- 2:30 p.m. Food Pantry — Wesley Chapel

Wednesday, March 4

- 6:00 a.m. Men's Group — C112
- 9:00 a.m. Hope Academy
- 9:15 a.m. Early Childhood Music — 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. 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, March 5

- 9:15 a.m. Early Childhood Music Class — C206B
- 1:00 p.m. The Good and Beautiful Life — B210
- 5:45 p.m. Evening Ensemble — Music Suite
- 6:30 p.m. Gospel Ensemble — Music Suite
Community Health — Conference Room

Friday, March 6

- 8:00 a.m. Dipsy Doodle Men's Breakfast — Dipsy Doodle Restaurant
- 9:15 a.m. Second Harvest Delivery — Wesley Chapel Parking Lot

Saturday, March 7

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



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Don't forget to turn clocks ahead
one hour on Sunday, March 8!

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

ALTAR FLOWER SPONSORSHIP

We have a one-time –only flower sponsorship available on March 15. If you are interested in sponsoring altar flowers that Sunday, contact Patricia at 526-2177.

LADIES BUNCO NIGHT

Tuesday, March 30 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 March 29 by contacting Paula Lilly, h2olilly@charter.net, 267-5296.

FUMC KIDS EVENTS—SAVE THE DATE!

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

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:

- Bath soap, canned carrots, sauerkraut
- Grocery bags that are clean and flattened, and plastic newspaper sleeves.

ANGELS ATTIC

Angels Attic requests donations of :

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

YOUNG AT HEART

March 19, 11 a.m. in Jeff Wall Hall
Disaster Relief Ministries, with Ken Hunter.

This program might be a disaster! Fortunately, the Disaster Response Team will be here to help and will share about their recent activities. If needed, chainsaws will be provided. See you at this informative event! Cost for lunch: \$5. Make reservations by Tuesday, March 17 by calling the Church Office at 526-2177.