



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JULY

- 22 FUMC Families Pool Party
- 23 Club 456 Pool Party

“POUNDING” OUR NEW YOUTH PASTOR

As our new youth Pastor Adam Daniels arrives in late July, we want FUMC to give him and his wife Jessie a “pounding” of restaurant gift certificate cards (or grocery store gift cards) as they settle into Cookeville. You can drop your gift card off at the church office, or mail it in, or put it in the offering plate in an envelope marked “pounding,” or give it to a staff member. Cards need to be turned in by July 30. Moving is stressful and overwhelming. Not having to prepare meals while you are trying to settle in is exceptionally helpful. So, please do your part in “pounding” Adam and Jessie. They will be grateful for this tangible expression of love, welcome and hospitality.

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

UPCOMING FALL CLASSES

Join us at Burger Bash on Wednesday, August 9, to kick off our Wednesday Night Life class enrollment. You can also register online at www.cookevillefumc.org, or by calling the church office at 526-2177.

Wednesday Night Life Classes

Knitting

For all skill levels, this group creates a variety of items based on ability and interest. *Led by Cindy Curry*
Begins August 16, 3:30 - 5 p.m. CLC401

Women's Bible Study *

Learn to celebrate more and regret less. Explore how to become a joy-filled child of God every day. Each session includes discussion and video. *Led by Joan Tansil.* **Begins August 16, 6-7:30 p.m. CLC401**

A Hopeful Earth *

Explore our responsibilities as stewards of the Earth from a Christian perspective. *Led by Ken Hunter and Jessica Oswald.* **Begins August 16, 6-7 p.m.**

Invitation to the Old Testament *

An 8-week study inviting participants to hear the Old Testament through exploration of the narrative, poetic, historical, and prophetic writings of the text. *Led by Bob Bell.* **Begins August 16, 6-7 p.m. B214**

Methodists and Controversy *

As Methodists, who are we? Based on that question we'll discuss how we should view controversial topics and how we react toward those who disagree. *Led by Brad Gran.* **Begins August 16, 6-7 p.m. B210**

Wesley Class Meeting *

A foundational Methodist experience that will meet weekly, this group will discuss personal faith and accountability, along with weekly communion. *Led by Rob Wheeler.* **Begins August 16, 6-7 p.m. B206**

Sunday Evening Classes

Women's Bible Study

Designed for young women and mothers, we will discuss life through a Biblical perspective and regroup before the new week. *Led by Rachel Starnes and Michelle Hale.* **Begins August 20, 5-6 p.m. C111**

The Grand Sweep *

A dynamic year-long journey through the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. Nightly readings, journaling and monthly discussion meetings. *Led by Kevin and Linda Moore.* **Begins August 20, 5-6 p.m. B206**

Disciple 1 Fast Track *

An adaptation of the original Disciple Bible Study, Fast Track is an immersive exploration of the Testaments through personal study and group discussions. The 24-week course is perfect for busy lives. *Led by Larry Epps.*

Begins August 20, 5-7 p.m. B213

*Requires registration

BY OUR PRESENCE

Sunday, June 9, 2017

Total Worship Attendance: 377

Sunday, June 16, 2017

Total Worship Attendance: 359

BY OUR GIFTS

Sunday, June 9, 2017

Budget fund receipts \$40,512.00

Building fund receipts \$1,295.00

Sunday, June 16, 2017

Budget fund receipts \$19,743.30

Building fund receipts \$850.00

JULY BACKSLIDERS SPEAKERS

Join our Sunday School class in Jeff Wall Hall at 9:45 each Sunday morning. Here are our upcoming speakers for July:

23 Wayne Nabors, musical program

30 Heidi Lee

MEET YOUR STEPHEN MINISTERS

Discover how the Stephen Ministry can be of service to you and your family, and how you can be of service to the church community through this ministry. Join us Sunday, August 6, during the Sunday School hour in the Dixie Avenue lobby of the Freeman Building. Informal, enlightening conversation will be served, along with coffee and doughnuts!

RADIO BROADCAST

Unable to make it in to Sunday worship service? Our 10:55 a.m. service is broadcast live each Sunday from News Talk FM 94.1, and uploaded to www.cookevillefumc.org later in the week.

GUEST PARKING

On Sunday mornings, please leave the reserved "Guest Parking" spots for our guests. We appreciate your help in making FUMC a more welcoming congregation that practices hospitality to our guests.



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

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER CONCERNS

To request prayer or to add someone to the prayer list, contact the church office or use the prayer cards in the pews. Names will remain on the list for two weeks, unless otherwise specified.

Ongoing

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| Betty Sue Allen | Virginia Gibson | Brian Maffett |
| Marvin Barker | Nate Griffis | Margena Maffett |
| Vivian Barnes | Freda Hager | Pat Maxwell |
| Lida Canella | Dan Hearn | Evangeline O'Kain |
| Rev. Don Choate | Faith Holdredge | Laura Packard |
| Kayla Colson | Mary Ann Huffines | Susan Pangle |
| Lorna Cunningham | Virginia Hunter | Jenny Partin |
| David Dunn | Chandler Johns | Winnie Peterson |
| Ed Edenfield | Alma Jean Johnson | Margaret Phipps |
| Dave Evans | Jan Jordan | Roger Sachse |
| Pat Evans | Anna Karch | Gene Evelyn Warren |
| Brian Foster | Mary Byrd King | Hazel Wyatt |
| Carlton Galbreath | Jeannine Lynn | |

FUMC KIDS CORNER

CLUB 456—POOL PARTY

CLUB 456 is invited to a pool party at the home of Bob and Rosie Faulhaber on Sunday, July 23 from 2-4 p.m. Please bring drinks and snacks to share with your 456 friends! See you there! Contact Beth Wheeler at 526-2177 for more information.



BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

School can be fun, scary, awesome, and tough. We're sending our students and educators back to school with our prayers and our blessings. We will hold a blessing of the backpacks on Sunday, July 30 at both worship services. Students of all ages and educators are encouraged to bring their backpacks and briefcases to the service and be blessed!

BACK TO SCHOOL PJ PARTY

On Sunday, July 30, all FUMC Kids are invited to wear their PJ's to church! Let's give the kids one more chance to spend the morning in their PJ's before heading back to school on Monday. During the Sunday school hour, FUMC Kids grades K-6, will meet in the CLC for an hour of lazy fun and a movie! Please bring a sleeping bag, blanket, or camping chair! Preschool classes will meet in their regular classrooms.

At both worship services on July 30, we will have a blessing of the backpacks. Please have your kids bring their backpacks to church!

FUMC FAMILIES POOL PARTY



FUMC Families are invited to a pool party at the Cookeville Community Center on Saturday, July 22 from 6-9 p.m. Bring a picnic dinner for your family and enjoy an evening of fellowship and fun!

WE ALL HAD A BLAST AT NASHVILLE SHORES!

FUMC Kids and Youth had a wonderful time at the UMC NEXT GEN Disciples event at Nashville Shores!



CARING CORNER

BEING CARING IN COMMUNITY

“To claim full human development, total spiritual maturity, outside the realm of the human community is to claim the impossible...it is human community that tests the spiritual grist of the human being.

Community....calls us to the kind of relationships that walk us through minefields of personal selfishness, that confront us with moments of personal responsibility, that raise us to the level of personal heroics, and lead us to the rigor of personal compassion day after day after day. It is when we see in the needs of others what we are meant to give away that we become truly empty of ourselves. It is in the challenges of the times that we come to speak the Spirit. It is when we find ourselves dealing with the downright intransigence of the other that we understand our own sin. It is when we recognize in the world around us the call of God to us that our response to the human race becomes the measuring stick of the quality of our souls.”

From *Illuminated Life – Monastic Wisdom for Seekers of Light* by Joan Chittister.

EMERGENCY PASTORAL CARE NEEDS

If you are a church member and need to reach a pastor after hours or on weekends for emergencies of death, imminent death or life-changing tragedies, call 372-8347. The call will be forwarded, so please be patient as it connects—you will hear a dial tone as the call is forwarded. You may be asked to leave a message, in which case your call will be returned as soon as possible. For all other pastoral care needs, your call will be returned on the next business day, or you may always call the church office during normal business hours, 526-2177.

ANGELS ATTIC UPDATE

We are happy to announce we have moved into our new home in part of Wesley Chapel. We still have some setup to do before we are ready to accept donations, but you will see that date announced shortly in the bulletin.

Our space is slightly scaled down so please note the types of things we will now accept.

- Clothing (in season, clean, folded or on hangers)
- Athletic shoes only (good quality only)
- Kitchen items (pot and pans, silverware, dishes, glasses and small appliances)
- Linens (sheets, bath towels and kitchen towels)

We can not accept decorative items (vases, flower arrangements, pictures, Christmas decorations, etc.) computers, electronics, television, or furniture. We do not have room for these items. If you have these please take them to the Habitat for Humanity Thrift Store or Goodwill.

CHURCH EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, July 23

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School — Classrooms
- 10:55 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 2:00 p.m. Club 456 Pool Party — Faulhaber’s

Monday, July 24

- 3:30 p.m. Chair Yoga — Gym

Tuesday, July 25

- 2:00 p.m. Cookeville Dulcimer Society — B210
- 2:30 p.m. Food Pantry — Wesley Chapel

Wednesday, July 26

- 6:00 a.m. Men's Group — C112
- 10:00 a.m. Playtime for Preschoolers — Gym
- 1:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry — B206
- 4:00 p.m. Centering Prayer — B214

Thursday, July 27

Freeman Building Closed

Friday, July 28

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

PREPARING FOR ADOLESCENCE

All 6th graders are invited and encouraged to participate in a very important class that informs and celebrates tweens growing into maturity both spiritually and sexually. It is taught by Dr. Jim Batson, a local pediatrician and a member of our church. The class size is limited to 20 participants. The text used is *Preparing for Adolescence* by Dr. James Dobson and will be ordered for each student who participates. The cost is \$10. Classes meet Sundays 5:30 - 6:30 p.m., room B214 in the Freeman Building. Below are the dates and times for the class. Register online at www.cookevillefumc.org.

- July 30 Parent Orientation
- August 6 *The Secret of Self Esteem part I*
- August 13 *The Secret of Self Esteem part II*
- August 20 *Conformity*
- August 27 *Physical Changes of Growing Up*
- Sept. 17 *The Sexual You*
- Sept. 24 *What is Love All About?; Strong Emotions of Adolescence*

SAVE THE DATE - CHILDREN’S RETREAT

Save the date for the 2017 Children's Retreat at Cedar Crest, October 21 - 22! FUMC KIDS, 3rd-6th grade, are invited to join us at Cedar Crest Camp in Lyles, Tennessee. Cedar Crest is one of the outdoor ministry facilities owned and operated by the Tennessee Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. It will be an amazing weekend of worship, singing, games, fellowship, bonfires, and more!



Wednesday, August 9
5-6:30 p.m. in the CLC

Join us for a delicious evening, and sign up for Wednesday Night Life meals and classes, Early Childhood Music and Choir Club.

\$5 per person; \$20 family maximum

Make your reservations online at
www.cookevillemc.org
or by calling the church office at 526-2177

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TRAVEL BUDDIES ITINERARY AUGUST—DECEMBER, 2017

August 18 to the Titanic Exhibit, Pigeon Forge, TN.
Cost: \$43 per person; two Dutch treat meals.
Registration deadline: Monday, August 1.

September 14 and 15 to the U.S. Space & Rocket Center & Berritt on the Mountain, Huntsville, AL.
Cost: double occupancy \$165; single occupancy \$225; four Dutch treat meals. Registration deadline: Wednesday, August 23.

October 13 to the Milky Way Farm, historic plantation of candy legend, Frank Mars. Includes tour of the plantation, lunch, and hay ride. Cost: \$55 per person; lunch is provided. Registration deadline: Thursday, September 29.

November 3 for a Fall Foliage Tour on the northern portion of historic Natchez Trace. Cost: \$15 per person; Dutch treat lunch at the Loveless Café and dinner. Registration deadline: Friday, October 27.

December 7 and 8 for Christmas at the Biltmore and the Folk Art Center, Asheville, NC., including tour of the manor, conservatory and grounds. Cost: double occupancy \$160; single occupancy \$220; four Dutch treat meals. Registration deadline: Thursday, November 16.

GOD'S GRACE GARDEN

Many thanks to the volunteers who have helped make God's Grace Garden a success in its first year! The nutrition provided to the patrons of God's Grace Food Pantry through the fresh produce is invaluable and it would not have been possible without the many, many volunteer hours spent planting, harvesting, and pulling weeds. While we are still harvesting, we have already picked in excess of 150-200 pounds of fresh produce and will continue to pick for several weeks. May we always continue to move forward and answer our call to serve as United Methodists for the transformation of the world.

SWIPING YOUR KROGER CARD FOR THE FOOD PANTRY

Did you know God's Grace Food Pantry can receive cash back from purchases using your Kroger Rewards Card?

Go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com to register your card. You will be asked for the NPO number for God's Grace Food Pantry, which is **96948**.

MISSION MEALS



FUMC is partnering with the Cookeville Rescue Mission on Tuesday nights. We have been providing meals the first Tuesday of every month for almost three years. Currently we have September 5 and October 3 available. We are looking for classes, circles, or other small groups to prepare and serve the meals to our neighbors at the mission. For more information or to sign up to serve, please contact Tamika Parker at 526-2177.