



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

- 15 Contemplative Prayer Workshop
- 16 Senior Sunday
- 20 YAH Luncheon

WNL Dinner Menu

September 19: Chicken and rice casserole, salad, steamed broccoli, Mountain Dew Cake

September 26: Baked ziti, salad, green beans, brownies

Reservations must be made no later than noon on the Monday prior to the dinner.

To make reservations, call the church office at 526-2177, email us at office@cookevillefumc.org, or sign-up online at www.cookevillefumc.org.

Red Cross Blood Drive



Be a Hero! Come to the American Red Cross Blood

Drive, Friday, September 28 in Jeff Wall Hall from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Schedule your appointment at www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code FUMCCookeville19. Plan to donate and save a life!

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 ASSOCIATE PASTOR

It's been an exciting and fast-moving few weeks at our church. We've begun a new service, welcomed visitors from a successful United Methodist ministry, and have plans for a new Sunday school class that I hope will add to the discipleship opportunities in our church.

First, Sunday night we held our first gathering of The Table, our new worship service. It was a wonderful, meaningful time and Wesley Chapel was full of folks from our church who spanned ages and backgrounds. We were blessed by Adam Daniels, our Director of Youth Ministries, who led most of the service, and were thankful to the Youth Praise Band and their leadership of our music time, along with Beth Wheeler and Jessie Daniels, who were part of the planning team. We'll hold The Table service again on September 23 at 6:30 p.m. in Wesley Chapel. We're excited to welcome Zach and Nikki Newbold to serve as our worship leaders. You may remember them as the worship leaders for the Youth's Discovery Weekend and the services that Sunday.

During this week's Sunday morning services, we welcomed representatives from Africa University, perhaps the most successful United Methodist ministry in existence. If you were with us, you heard about the impact that this university is having all over the continent of Africa, the difference it is making the lives of young people there – especially women – and how the connection of the United Methodist church across the world is working for good. It was a good Sunday to be at FUMC.

As I have discussed with many of you, there is a certain amount of concern regarding the future United Methodist Church. Beginning this Sunday, during the Sunday school hour, I'll be leading a new Sunday school class called FaithLink in Wesley Chapel. We will begin this class with a discussion on what's facing our denomination, the sources of conflict, and the proposals that will be discussed in the coming months.

There are lots of good things happening at FUMC. Thank you all so much for your dedication to our church and your passion to live out the gospel in our community. I hope and pray that FUMC will continue to be a source of love, grace, and focus on the good news of Jesus as we continue walking together.

See you Sunday!

Rev. Rob Wheeler

BY OUR PRESENCE

Sunday, September 2, 2018

Total Worship Attendance: 335

Sunday, September 9, 2018

Total Worship Attendance: 463

BY OUR GIFTS

Sunday, September 2, 2018

Budget fund receipts \$23,384.04

Building fund receipts \$635.00

Sunday, September 9, 2018

Budget fund receipts \$28,073.75

Building fund receipts \$710.00

Senior Adult Fitness

Mondays, 9 a.m. in the Gym. Enjoy a great way to raise your physical activity through low-impact exercise. You can exercise with or without a chair, depending on your preference. Bands, tubing or light weights, plus comfortable clothing and rubber-soled shoes are suggested. Contact Barbara Hughes, jimhughes@charter.net, for more information.

Children's Retreat

October 20-21, FUMC KIDS, 3rd-6th grade, are invited to attend the 3rd annual children's retreat hosted by Next Gen Disciples and Cedar Crest Camp. Cedar Crest is one of the outdoor ministry facilities owned and operated by the Tennessee Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. Cookeville FUMC will join kids from other TN Conference churches for an amazing weekend of worship, singing, games, fellowship, bonfires, and more! You can find out more about Cedar Crest Camp at <http://cedarcrestcamp.org>.

Kroger Card—Food Pantry Benefits

Did you know God's Grace Food Pantry can receive cash back from purchases using your Kroger Rewards Card? And still keep all your points and benefits!

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**.



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

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER CONCERNS

Marvin Barker
Vivian Barnes
Janey Bassett
Craig Benich
Robert Buck
Randy Cavanaugh
Anna Cunningham
Kurt Eisen
Brian Lee Foster
Elaine Funk

Mary Garrison
Nate Griffis
Joe Hix
Mary Ann Huffines
Alma Jean Johnson
Jan Jordan
Mary Byrd King
Levena Kline
Karen Macke
Brian Maffett

Pat Maxwell
Brittany McCloud
Wayne Nichols
Winnie Peterson
Margaret Phipps
Mary Jo Rogers
David Sachse
Sarah Stockton
Gene Evelyn Warren
Hazel Wyatt

Missionaries

Eric and Liz Soard

HOPE ACADEMY ART WORK



Jannie Worley celebrates with the students of Hope Academy who created this colorful art work.

These canvases will be used to decorate Foundations classroom, where Hope Academy meets. This fall we will be repeating the art project on smaller canvases that our students will take home with them.

Hope Academy is a ministry to intellectually disabled young adults. We gather Wednesdays for fellowship and enrichment. We are seeking donations of acrylic paint, especially in vibrant colors, and small colander/strainers like those found in Cafe Steamers frozen dinners. Art supply donations can be brought to the front office to be picked up by Teena King. Thank you so much enriching these young persons' lives!

WINGS OF HOPE—WIDOWED PERSON WORKSHOP

Join us as we learn about a new ministry for men and women who have lost a spouse. On Sunday, October 7, from 2 – 4:30 p.m., Pat Brandenstein, Wings of Hope Executive Director, will be here to tell us about developing a widowed persons ministry at Cookeville FUMC.

Wings of Hope Widowed Ministry exists to promote the cause of Christ by educating and demonstrating Christian love to those who have lost a spouse through death, divorce, desertion, or imprisonment. Participants will be encouraged, educated, and equipped for developing an intentional and supportive ministry just for those who have lost their spouse.

Pat Brandenstein holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing from the University of Iowa. Her education includes training emphasizing the holistic approach to healthcare, which considers the individual's physical, mental, emotional, spiritual, environmental, and economic conditions as part of their care plan.

The workshop is free and all are welcome. Bring a friend or neighbor! Refreshments will be provided. Please register by contacting Noel Poston at noel@cookevillefumc.org, or calling the church office at 526-2177.

ANGEL'S ATTIC UPDATE

Angel's Attic is temporarily not accepting donations. We suggest contributing clothing donations in good condition to the Good Will on Jefferson Avenue until further notice.

GOOD NEIGHBOR PARKING

Being located in a downtown area, parking at FUMC is limited and sometimes difficult. However, it is important to respect our neighbors around us. For many years, Highland Hardware has graciously allowed our church to park in their lot on Sunday mornings. If you park there, please park only in designated spaces in the lower lot and not close to the doors. Also, please do not park at Highland Hardware for any event during their regular weekday business hours, as this lot is reserved for their customers.

FOOD PANTRY

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

- Bar soap, shampoo, toothpaste
- Grocery and newspaper bags that are clean and flattened

YOUTH NEWS—FALL MISSION TRIP



**Sunday, October 7—
Friday, October 12**

We'll be heading to Kissimmee, Florida to help with a great organization--*Give Kids the World Village*, a non-profit storybook resort, where children with critical illnesses and their

families are treated to week-long, cost-free vacations. We hope you will join us for a super fun week of service to those who need love the most! We'll also spend a day at Universal Studios! Sign-up are coming soon; let Adam know if you're interested at addaniels7@gmail.com.

BOO BASH!

It's time to start buying candy or treats for Boo Bash! This Halloween, help us treat the best dressed ghosts and goblins in Putnam County. We gave away almost 1000 pounds of candy last year, and we are grateful for your generosity! As you are shopping, please consider buying candy for Boo Bash, or

if you prefer, the church office is accepting cash donations to purchase candy. Help us make this year's Boo Bash bigger and better than ever before!



CHURCH EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, September 16

- 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. Women's Bible Study *Present Over Perfect* — B206 UMYF — Youth Room
- 5:30 p.m. Preparing for Adolescence — B214

Monday, September 17

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study — B213
- 9:00 a.m. Senior Adult Fitness — Gym
- 3:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer — B214
- 5:15 p.m. Staff Parrish Meeting — Conference Room

Tuesday, September 18

- 9:00 a.m. Prayer Team — Jenkins Chapel
- 9:15 a.m. Early Childhood Music Classes — C206B
- 2:00 p.m. Cookeville Dulcimer Society — B214
- 2:30 p.m. Food Pantry — Wesley Chapel

Wednesday, September 19

- 6:00 a.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 — YMCA
- 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. Disciple II — B214
Youth Choir—Music Suite
Financial Peace University — Conference Room
He Speaks to Me (Joan Tansil Bible Study) — B206
Incarnation—P. Jordan's class, B213; K. Hunter's class, B210
Sinners in the Hands of a Loving God — Youth Room
- 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir — Music Suite

Thursday, September 20

- 9:15 a.m. Early Childhood Music Class — C206B
- 9:30 a.m. Senior Adult Council Meeting — B213
- 11:00 a.m. Young At Heart Luncheon — Jeff Wall Hall
- 1:45 p.m. Jubilee Ringers — Sanctuary
- 3:30 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, September 21

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



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It's that time of year again!

As you are shopping, please remember to purchase candy for our annual Trunk or Treat. Donations are welcome at the church office.

Interested in volunteering to decorate your car and pass out candy?

Contact Tamika Parker at 526-2177.

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

SENIOR SUNDAY

On September 16, FUMC will recognize and celebrate the Senior Members of our congregation. We encourage you to bring as many members, and generations, of your family as possible. Seniors are valued members of our congregation and are active in many of our Senior Ministries. Join us as we recognize and honor our Seniors at both services.

YOUNG AT HEART LUNCHEON

Thursday, September 20 at 11 a.m. in Jeff Wall Hall. Hydrangeas have been beautifying residential gardens and landscapes for decades. Blooms produced by these wide-variety plants are breathtaking. Learn from Dr. Leo McGee about varieties are most suitable for our area. Make reservations by Tuesday, September 18 by calling the Church Office, 526-2177, or online at www.cookevillefumc.org/upcoming-events.

YOUTH PRAYER BREAKFAST

Change of Date

The First Parent's Prayer Breakfast has been CHANGED from September 22 to September 15. We changed these dates on the calendar and in the packet, so if you have a printed copy, it is incorrect.

NURSERY STAFF NEEDED

Sharing in the mission of Cookeville FUMC, the Nursery serves a vital role in making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. Children and parents can experience a sense of safety and well-being knowing that while parents worship or participate in classes or special events, their children are being cared for by capable and friendly staff. The Nursery is typically available for children from birth to five years of age during Sunday worship services, Wednesday Night Life, and other times as needed throughout the year. We are currently accepting applications from individuals who have experience working with this age group and enjoy caring for young children. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age or older.

For more information and an Application for Employment, please visit the church web site at www.cookevillefumc.org, click on the Employment link.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL DELIVERIES

Our friends who are homebound need our help! It would be a great act of kindness for one or more youth and adults to team up and ensure that someone who can no longer leave their home receives a meal on Wednesday evenings.

Meals are ready for pick up from the CLC kitchen around 5 p.m. and in most cases can be delivered in a matter of minutes.

Please help us be sure our friends at home are not forgotten! Find out more by contacting Noel Poston, noel@cookevillefumc.org or call the church office at 526-2177.