



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

July

- 19 Red Cross Blood Drive
- 28 Blessing of the Backpacks
Pajama and Popcorn Party

August

- 7 Burger Bash
- 14 WNL Resumes

Red Cross Blood Drive

Friday, July 19, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Jeff Wall Hall. Be a hero! Donate blood! Go online to www.cookevillefumc.org, click on the front page slide and enter code FUMCCookeville19.

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:

- Diapers (newborn size), bath soap, small tomato sauce
- Grocery bags that are clean and flattened, plastic newspaper sleeves

A MESSAGE FROM OUR SENIOR PASTOR

Last week, our Church Administrative Council met to approve a number of items. One very important item is a refreshing of our mission, vision, values, and ministry plan statements. Clarity about our focus as a congregation is essential. Our mission is our God-given purpose for existing—it is our calling as a congregation. Our United Methodist Mission is “to make disciples.” So, how do we define what a disciple is? How do we *make* or *form* authentic Christian disciples? How do we know we are succeeding in that calling from God?

Christian disciples are authentic or genuine followers of Jesus. Disciples imitate Jesus and participate in his ongoing ministry as an expression of the *reign* or *kingdom* of God, as the unfolding drama of God’s grace renewing and transforming the world. In the United Methodist Church, we believe becoming an authentic disciple is a maturation and transformation process. It’s all about God sculpting us into His likeness of love. That takes time. It is a process. It must be intentional. So, the outcome of our life together should be that we are growing in grace and cooperating with God’s grace as He continues to shape us. Robert Mulholland has an excellent definition of Christian spiritual formation. It is the process of being formed in the image (character) of Christ for the sake of others. Discipleship is at the heart of our mission and vision. Please read the new, “refreshed” statements, printed in this newsletter. I hope they will be our focus as we live together in Christ.

~ Kevin

EVERYONE HAD A GREAT TIME AT “SLIDE THE CITY”!



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
WATN-AM 1600

Nursery Available

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

Phone: 931-526-2177
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www.cookevillefumc.org

BY OUR PRESENCE

Sunday, July 7, 2019

Total Worship Attendance: 166

Sunday, July 14, 2019

Total Worship Attendance: 363

BY OUR GIFTS

Sunday, July 7, 2019

Budget fund receipts \$20,435.00

Building fund receipts \$365.00

Sunday, July 14, 2019

Budget fund receipts \$49,506.05

Building fund receipts \$3,620.00

Blessing of the Backpacks

July 28 at both services.

Summer vacation comes to an end July 28, and we here at FUMC want to send all our students, children, teens, and adults, back to the classroom with blessings and prayers for a successful and promising new school year. Join us and bring your backpack (or briefcase)!

Enneagram—August Session

August 5-7. You are invited to participate in a meaningful study for adults exploring the Enneagram and our faith. The Enneagram is a tool for spiritual discipleship and growth that explores our unique, God-created nature and personality. In this class, we'll use the Enneagram to explore our strengths, weaknesses, and opportunities to grow in our faith in Christ and strengthen our church. Contact the church office to sign up at 526-2177, or for more information, contact Rob Wheeler at rob@cookevillefumc.org.

Food Pantry Volunteers

The Food Pantry needs two volunteers for Monday mornings to set up rooms for Tuesday distribution. Right now we start at 8 a.m. and work for 1 - 1 1/2 hours. There is some lifting involved. If this is something you can help with contact Tamika Parker at the church office at 526-2177.

FUMC MISSION, VISION, AND VALUES STATEMENT

Our Mission	To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.
Our Vision	Sharing the story of grace in the heart of town. <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ <i>Find your place in the story... heart, soul, mind, and strength.</i>◇ <i>You're part of the story... heart, soul, mind, and strength.</i>
Our Values	Being authentic, intentional and Christ-like. <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ <i>May we become by grace who God is by nature.</i> ~ Athanasius
Our Story	A community of grace where we are authentic, intentional, and Christ-like as we live into God's story of grace. <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ <i>Authentic: Everyday people seeking to find our place in Christ's story.</i>◇ <i>Intentional: Purposefully telling Christ's story through our worship, ministries and lives.</i>◇ <i>Christ-like: Reflecting the virtues of Christ as servants in the world.</i>
Our Definition of a Christian Disciple	Someone who is discovering and living into their role within the story of grace. <ul style="list-style-type: none">◇ <i>Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, with all your strength, and your neighbor as yourself.</i> ~ Mark 12:30-31
Our Approach to Ministry	GATHERING Inviting and welcoming all God's children into a community of love and grace by nurturing relationships and intentional Christian community that reflects the character of Christ. WELCOMING Including people of all walks of life with extravagant hospitality. WORSHIPPING Worshipping with diverse, spirited, and ancient-future vitality. FORMING Offering life-long learning aimed at producing mature Christian disciples who demonstrate the great commandment. CARING Caring for people in a holistic culture of care. SERVING Serving as imitators of the servant mind and heart of Christ. COMMUNICATING Communicating with clarity, excellence and innovation.



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

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER CONCERNS

Vivian Barnes	Bob Jones
Janey Bassett	Ann Kellman
James Buck	Linda Kellman
Robert Buck	Nancy Kellman
Savannah Lynn Caylor	Mary Byrd King
Faye Curry	Mike Lee
Jackie Donaldson	Karen Macke
Delaney Duncan	Pat Maxwell
Hazel Dyer	Brittany McCloud
Kurt Eisen	Paul McLendon
Brian Lee Foster	Winnie Peterson
Elaine Funk	Margaret Phipps
Mary Garrison	Rob Poteet
Nate Griffis	Pam Raines
Alda Harris	Pat Rodgers
Joe Hix	Mary Jo Rogers
Faith Holdredge	Sarah Stockton
Alma Jean Johnson	

Sympathy and Prayer

Friends and family of Laura Snodgrass

Missionaries

Eric and Liz Soard

FALL GRIEF SHARE SCHEDULE

For those who have suffered the loss of a loved one, the GriefShare ministry of FUMC will be offering two group sessions. Each 13-week session consists of pertinent videos, discussions and group sharing. Both groups meet in Magnolia House on the corner of Madison and Freeze. The first group will meet Wednesdays, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m., August 7 through October 30. The second group will meet Saturdays, 10 a.m. to noon, September 7 through November 23. For more information contact Robert Jager at 644-2435.

CHILDREN'S FAITH WALK



On July 14, children participating in the Summertime Faith Walk met Mrs. Jenny Maffet at Dogwood Park where she demonstrated her love of pottery making.

Jenny shared that when she is at work at her potter's wheel, she is close to God in prayer and has a better

understanding of how prayer with Him helps shape her in his image more clearly.

The children each had a chance to throw and shape clay on the potter's wheel as well as make their very own pinch pot as a memory from the days Faith Walk.

CHURCH EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, July 21

8:30 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. Sunday School — Class Rooms
10:55 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary

Monday, July 22

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study — B213
3:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer — B214

Tuesday, July 23

9:00 a.m. Prayer Team — Jenkins Chapel
2:30 p.m. Food Pantry — Wesley Chapel

Wednesday, July 24

6:00 p.m. Men's Group — C112
10:00 a.m. Playtime for Preschoolers — Gym
3:00 p.m. Knitting — Freeman Building Lobby
4:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer — B214

Thursday, July 25

12:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision Meeting — B206

Friday, July 26

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

Sunday, July 28

8:30 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. Sunday School — Class Rooms
10:55 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary

Monday, July 29

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study — B213
3:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer — B214

Tuesday, July 30

9:00 a.m. Prayer Team — Jenkins Chapel
2:30 p.m. Food Pantry — Wesley Chapel

Wednesday, July 31

6:00 p.m. Men's Group — C112
10:00 a.m. Playtime for Preschoolers — Gym
3:00 p.m. Knitting — Freeman Building Lobby
4:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer — B214

Thursday, August 1

9:30 a.m. GriefShare — Magnolia House

Friday, August 2

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

FUMC DIRECTORY UPDATE

August 11 and 18 during the Sunday School hour in the Freeman Building Lobby.

If you were not able to have your photo taken in May, then this is your moment! No appointment is necessary. Be a part of our family album. It won't be the same without you!

Burger Bash



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Wednesday, August 7, at 5 p.m.

Burgers, Brats, Fixin's, and FUN!

Make reservations at
www.cookevillefumc.org or call 526-2177

Adults \$5, Children \$5, Family max \$20

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

YOUTH SUMMER EVENTS

July 23: Service and Supper; 2-6:30 p.m.

July 28: Blessing of the Backpacks

SAVE THE DATE

UPCOMING FUMC KIDS EVENTS

August 7: Burger Bash

August 14: Wednesday Night Life Startup

September 29: Children's Sabbath

October 17: Pumpkin Caroling

ANGELS ATTIC REQUEST

- Men's jeans and shorts – no dress slacks or Dockers
- Children's clothes – 3T-5T
- Sheets – any size
- Towels

PAJAMA AND POPCORN PRAYER PARTY

During Sunday School all children's Sunday School classes will combine in the CLC Fellowship Hall for a "make and take" bag tag for their backpacks, popcorn, and a movie. Bring a beach towel, blanket, and even a yoga mat to sit on while viewing the movie with Holy friends.

Starting school, going back into a new school year, getting back on an early morning schedule...it can all be scary and stressful. No need to go into a new school year alone when we have our FUMC Holy Friendships that can keep us strong through prayer, worship, and fellowship.

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 you can 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.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSING DURING LUNCH HOUR

The Church Office will now be closed for walk-in visitors from noon to 1 p.m. Phones will still be answered and calls will be returned.

Thank you for your understanding of this policy change.