



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

- 19 Presidents Day—no school
- 25 A Little Off Broad Street

MARCH

- 24 FUMC Kids Easter Egg Hunt
- 25 Palm Sunday
- 29 Maundy Thursday
- 30 Good Friday

WNL DINNER MENUS

February 21: Baked Ham, salad, macaroni and cheese, black eyed peas, cherry cobbler

February 28: BBQ chicken, salad, hashbrown casserole, banana cake (no nuts)

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.

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

Phone: 931-526-2177

Fax: 931-372-9905

Email: office@cookevillefumc.org
www.cookevillefumc.org

FROM OUR PASTOR

Our Ash Wednesday Service on February 14th formally began the season of Lent. The Lenten season is an important time of spiritual focus and growth. I hope to see you every Sunday during Lent and for Holy Week. The Lenten and Holy Week schedule can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

A few weeks ago our new Youth Minister, Adam Daniels, preached at our worship services and did an excellent job. Many of you know that Adam has student ministry experience, including middle school, high school, and college students. However, a lot of you are not aware that Adam has a seminary degree, and has almost completed his Doctor of Ministry degree. We are fortunate to have a person working with our youth who brings such a rich background of experience and education.

Of course, we also have a strong group of other staff members. I am grateful for the opportunity to work with them at FUMC. It is a privilege to be their colleague and to serve as your pastor. Please let me know if I can ever be of service.

Finally, it was good to receive Sabrina and Ava Marie Brazle as new members. Welcome to our church family.

~Martin

LENTEN SEASON SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FUMC Kids Easter Egg Hunt March 24, 10 a.m. - noon, Dogwood Park
We hope you will invite your friends to come together and enjoy this time in our community!

Palm Sunday Sunday services, March 25 in the sanctuary
On this holy day we commemorate Jesus Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

Maundy Thursday March 29, 7 p.m. in the sanctuary
On Maundy Thursday (also called Holy Thursday), we commemorate the Last Supper.

Good Friday March 30, 7 p.m. in the sanctuary
We come together on this day to remember the suffering of Christ on the cross.

Easter Services Sunday, April 1

- ☪ 6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service at Wesley Chapel
- ☪ 8:30 a.m. Service in the sanctuary
- ☪ 9:45 a.m. Sunday school classes
- ☪ 10:55 a.m. Service in the sanctuary

BY OUR PRESENCE

Sunday, February 4, 2018

Total Worship Attendance: 440

Sunday, February 11, 2018

Total Worship Attendance: 476

BY OUR GIFTS

Sunday, February 4, 2018

Budget fund receipts \$37,356.12

Building fund receipts \$3,400.00

Sunday, February 11, 2018

Budget fund receipts \$23,720.11

Building fund receipts \$635.00

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

Thanks to the many people who donated to Angel's Attic and the volunteers who help we had another successful distribution in February. We provided 68 families with household items and clothing including coats, sweaters, hats and other cold weather items. Winter is not over, so these were much appreciated.

Our next distribution is Tuesday, March 6. If you have any of the items below we would appreciate receiving them.

- Towels
- Sheets – any size
- Men's Levis

Your continued generosity is what makes this wonderful ministry be so successful. Thank you very much. If you have any questions about Angel's Attic, please contact Gaynell Sachse or Tamika Parker at 526-2177.



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.

Marvin Barker	Faith Holdredge	Susan Pangle
Vivian Barnes	Mary Ann Huffines	Winnie Peterson
Jo Britnell	Virginia Hunter	Margaret Phipps
Lida Canella	Alma Jean Johnson	Glenn Ramsey
Randy Cavanaugh	Jan Jordan	Mary Jo Rogers
Anna Cunningham	Anna Karch	William B. Strivling
Ed Edenfield	Mary Byrd King	Joan Tansil
Brian Foster	Jeannine Lynn	Gene Evelyn Warren
Mary Garrison	Karen Macke	Julia Woodford
Virginia Gibson	Brian Maffett	Hazel Wyatt
Nate Griffis	Pat Maxwell	
Dan Hearn	Evangeline O'Kain	

PRAYER TEAM INVITES YOU TO PRAYER

Knowing someone is praying for us can have powerful consequences for our lives. In most cases, congregational prayer requests are announced during Sunday morning services and published in the bulletin, but sometimes we receive requests for individuals who prefer to keep their requests private, yet they still desire prayer. These individuals and their prayer requests are maintained on a separate prayer list that is not published. Each week a group of dedicated friends offers prayer for those on both the published and the unpublished prayer lists.

If you know of someone who would like to receive prayer, whether it's someone from this congregation, or a family member, friend, or neighbor, let us know and we will include them in our prayers.

The Prayer Team meets on Tuesdays at 9 a.m. in Jenkins Chapel, and we welcome you to join us. For more information or to have your name or someone else's added to the Prayer Team list, contact Noel Poston, noel@cookevillefumc.org or call the church office at 526-2177.

YOUTH ATTEND "WARMTH IN WINTER"

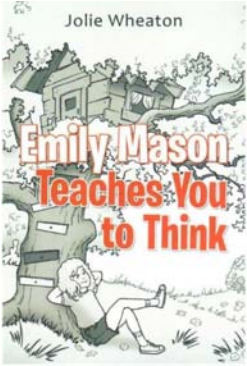


This past weekend a large group of our CFUMC Youth attended "Warmth In Winter," a conference/retreat for youth from all across the Tennessee conference! It was a great time of fellowship, worship, and renewal as our students were challenged to MOVE their faith

into all the areas of their lives by attending large group sessions with 2600 other teens; plus classes on healthy relationships, racial reconciliation, the worldwide water crisis, social media, and what it means to experience a call to ministry! Be praying for these students in the weeks ahead as they take what they have learned and use it to make our world more like the world Jesus talked about and showed us with His life and teaching!



EMILY MASON, GIRLS NIGHT OUT



Join us for a special night out for girls 2nd-5th grade with local author Jolie Wheaton! Sunday, March 4 from 5-7 p.m. in the Freeman Building. Dinner will be served! For more information, contact Beth Wheeler at children@cookevillefumc.org

RED BIRD BUILD

Come out for a great day of service to benefit Red Bird Mission on Saturday, February 17, 8 a.m.—3 p.m. in the parking garage. This year we'll build all of the exterior walls and interior wall panels for a home in Beverly, Kentucky. Come for the day, or just come for a couple of hours. No experience necessary. Tools and materials provided. For more information or to sign up, please contact Ken Hunter, or Tamika Parker in the church office at 526-2177.

CENTENNIAL BIRTHDAY

Virginia Gibson 100-year birthday celebration: The family of Virginia Gibson invites you to join them for a birthday celebration on Saturday, March 3, from noon – 3 p.m. in Jeff Wall Hall. No gifts, but hugs are welcome!

STEPHEN MINISTERS HOST GUEST

The Stephen Ministers invite you to join us in Jeff Wall Hall on Thursday, February 15 at 6:30 p.m. to hear our guest speaker, Tracy Plant, from Alzheimer's Tennessee. She will talk about Alzheimer's Disease, a condition which touches or may someday touch many of us. Refreshments will be served.

NEW MEMBER WELCOME



Please say hello to new members Sabrina and Ava Marie Brazle!

CHURCH EVENTS CALENDAR

Sunday, February 18

- 8:30 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School — Classrooms
- Glow Sunday — Youth Room
- 10:55 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
- 4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class for Teens — B214
- Youth Praise Band — Choir Room
- 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Class — B214
- Disciple I Fast Track — B213
- The Grand Sweep — B206
- UMYF — Youth Room

Monday, February 19

- 7:00 a.m. Monday Morning Men's Study — B213
- 10:00 a.m. Angels Attic Workday — Wesley Chapel
- 5:30 p.m. GriefShare — B206

Tuesday, February 20

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

Wednesday, February 21

- 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 — Putnam County 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. Centering Prayer — B214
- Choir Club
- 5:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Life Dinner — Christian Life Center
- 5:30 p.m. Choir Tour Drama — Choir Room
- 6:00 p.m. An Immersion Into Psalms — B213
- Invitation to the New Testament — B214
- JAM (Jesus and Me) — Gym
- Our Wesleyan Heritage — B210
- Wesley Class Meeting — B206
- Women's Bible Study — Christian Life Center 401
- Youth Choir
- 7:00 p.m. 7 - 8 Special for Youth — Youth Room
- 7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir — Music

Thursday, February 22

- 9:15 a.m. Early Childhood Music Class — C206B
- 10:00 a.m. Stephen Ministry Training — B206
- 1:45 p.m. Jubilee Ringers — Sanctuary
- 2:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry CE/Supervision — B206, B213
- 4:45 p.m. Sanctuary Handbells — Sanctuary
- 5:45 p.m. Evening Ensemble
- 6:30 p.m. Gospel Ensemble

Friday, February 23

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

Just a Little Off Broad Street



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Sunday, February 25

6:30 p.m.

In Wesley Chapel

Join us for an evening of musical entertainment.
All donations go to the Youth Choir Tour 2018!

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

THE FOOD PANTRY

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

- Bath soap, baby food
- Grocery bags that are clean and flattened.

COMMUNITY LENTEN SERVICES

Please join in
Ecumenical Holy Week Services

First Presbyterian Church
20 N. Dixie Ave.
Cookeville, TN

Monday - Friday, March 26-30
12:00 - 12:30 p.m.

Lunch served: 12:30 - 1:00 p.m.

MISSION MEALS

FUMC has been partnering with the Cookeville Rescue Mission for over three years. We serve the dinner meal the first Tuesday of every month and are ready to add your name to the 2018 calendar! If your class, circle, or other small group would like to prepare and serve meals to our neighbors at the mission, please contact Tamika Parker in the church office to pick a date. Your time and efforts make a difference to those in need!

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>