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Trustees Committee Report

by Jev Vaughan, Chair

For the last few months the Trustees have been busy working on three areas of focus, in three separate sub-committees. The sub-committees are involved with the Andrews Chapel campus, the "Missions" building in the back parking lot, and issues associated with our main building and grounds.

Andrews Chapel

Much discussion and prayer through many meetings has been given to making a recommendation to the congregation for what we recommend be done with the Andrews Chapel campus. Through structured analysis, we looked at the options of keeping the campus and continue to seek ways to use it for our congregation and the community; sell the campus (buildings and cemetery) and regain our investment to date; or return the campus to the District. We decided to ask Chris Carothers, a member of our congregation who owns Hickman Realty to investigate potential buyers for a period of 90 days, with an asking price we determined would be fair. Within three weeks Chris brought three offers. The

offer we are pursuing is from the group of former Andrews Chapel members who are presently meeting at Casey Jones Village. They have a long history associated with that campus and would like to return. They worshiped there for many years, and have family members buried in the cemetery. We are currently working out the details of the offer and potential sale. We hope to have that worked out very soon. The sale would allow our congregation to recoup our investment and return an amount of money to the District.

Missions Building

The "Missions" building sub-committee has been working with the Missions Committee to discern the best way forward with the use of the building. The plan that was laid out for fitting the building out to serve the Room in the Inn mission was deemed not the best plan for that purpose. The plan is being re-considered to be able to recommend the best approach to repurpose the building to serve the work of the missions of our church and community. We want to be confident that that the future use of the building and our investment there offers opportunity to accommodate a variety of mission purposes.

Building and Grounds

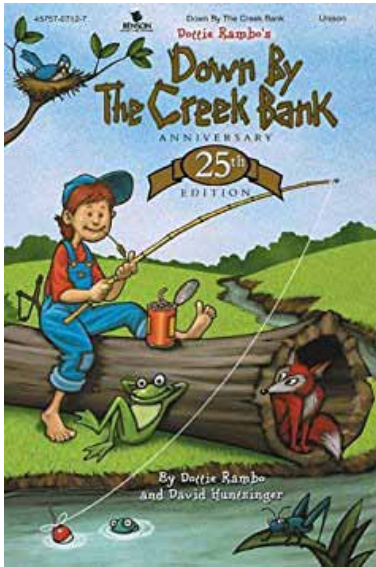
The building and grounds sub-committee has been charged with reviewing a variety of current and future needs which will require capital expenditures. There is a current need to deal with a moisture infiltration issue in the south wall (Chester Street side) of the Sanctuary. We are working with contractors to investigate the source of the infiltration and best method of remediation. Other areas where planning for dealing with future issues include replacement of aged heating and air conditioning units, replacement of the controls system for the heating and air conditioning system which is outdated and parts are no longer available for; replacement of carpet in many areas; and replacement of our fluorescent and activity center lighting with the more efficient LED lights. Other areas of interest will continue to be considered by this sub-committee, with recommendations for all being brought to all Trustees for discussion so that we may report to the congregation our recommendations for improvements and consideration by the Finance Committee for funding.

A called

Charge Conference

will be held on
Wednesday, June 20
 from 6:00-6:30 p.m.
 in Clayton Hall

We will be discussing and voting on a resolution to sell the Andrews Chapel property. We will also be electing our new leaders for the coming fiscal year. Our District Superintendent, Dr. Richard Clark will be presiding, and the meeting is open to all.



An evening you won't want to miss!

2018 Minifest Performance

Friday, June 15

6 p.m.

Clayton Hall

Cookies and Punch Reception



Welcome Interim Children’s Ministers Julie Bratcher and Kelly Barnes!

Sharing a passion for children, Julie and Kelly are both excited about their new role with the Children’s Ministry. Both have been active moms in the church. Julie has also served as a volunteer at Community Montessori and is the incoming PTO president for this fall. Kelly has taught 2nd and 3rd grades since 2001 (4 years in Memphis and 13 years at USJ.) She retired from teaching in 2016 but filled in teaching for an interim time this past Spring.

Julie and Kelly initially met at UT Martin as sorority sisters, but their friendship goes beyond that... they also each met their husbands, Dave Bratcher and David Barnes while attending school there. One other common thread is that they both have two children. The Bratchers are parents of Gracie (10) and Bennett (7) and the Barnes are parents of Bryant (11)



and Elizabeth Sue (9). Kelly also grew up in this church (her parents are Harold and Debbie Nerron.)

Hope for the future

Julie and Kelly are anxious to get more children involved building excitement about being in church. As the interim leaders, their main focus is on the Sunday School hour for 3 year olds -5th grade. New this summer from 10 a.m.-10:50 a.m. are rotations for 1st-5th grades with snacks, Bible story, and crafts using



Julie Bratcher and Kelly Barnes

the Spark series on The Lord’s Prayer. Kelly emphasizes they want to have a meaningful, enriching time together with the children. They are also looking to have multigenerational participation. if you would like to be involved on Sunday mornings, contact Julie, jbratcher@jacksonfumc.org or Kelly, kbarnes@jacksonfumc.org.

Grandparents, when you have your grandkids visiting you this summer, bring them with you to Sunday School...be a part of nurturing God’s children!



Children’s Ministry

Search for “The Backyard - Jackson FUMC Children’s Ministry” on Facebook



July 8-11
5:30-8:00 PM
Ages 4 - 5th grade
No cost



Monday & Wednesday
9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
Through July 30
Ages 2 - 5th grade

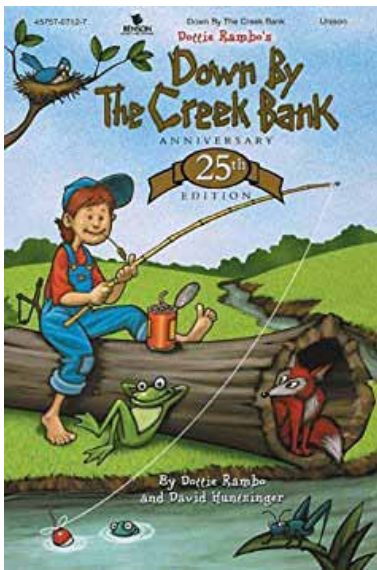
To register or for more information, contact kidsatfirst@jacksonfumc.org



Music Notes

Margaret Harrison, Director of Music and Worship Arts (mharrison@jacksonfumc.org)

Have you registered your child for Mini-Fest week yet? It is going to be a week of fun-filled activities for children who have completed Kindergarten through rising sixth graders. Rachel Raper, our children's choir director has activities planned to include: Music, Dance, Drama, Art, Devotions, Recreation—all of that plus a snack and lunch provided each day. All of this for \$75 registration fee. Activities start promptly at 9 am and end at 2 pm. "Down by the Creek Bank" is being created for our 38th year of presenting this fabulous children's activity.



The easy way to register your child is to go into the FUMC App on your phone and complete the form. Otherwise, you may call the church office and give your information over the phone. There are a few spots still open; our cut off this year is at 40, so get your registration TODAY. We look forward to having your child/children in this annual Mini-Fest Performance, which will take place on Friday evening at 6 p.m. followed by a reception to honor our participants.

See you there!
Margaret

Welcome New Members



Welcome Garrett and Chelsea Fields who joined May 13, 2018 in the 11 a.m. service. They have transferred their membership from First UMC in Fulton, TN.

2018 YOUTH SUMMER CALENDAR

- June**
- 10,17 No youth group due to middle school and high school mission trips
 - 24 Mission Trip Testimony Night...an opportunity for students to share their experiences with students and parents.
- July**
- 1 "Evidence" Part I (a series on the fruit of the Spirit)
 - 8 "Evidence" Part II
 - 15, 22 Youth Week
No youth group
 - 29 No youth group
- August**
- 5 No youth group
 - 12 Parent Orientation
 - 19 "Trendsetters" Part I
 - 26 "Trendsetters" Part II



Youth News

Open to 7th-12th graders

Christian Hesling, Youth Pastor (chesling@jacksonfumc.org)
Search for "The Current UMY" on Facebook

YOUTH WEEK 2018

KEEP IT

100

WORK HARD. LOVE HARD. PLAY HARD.

JULY 15-18

Open to area
Middle School
& High School
Students!

\$150/student

Deadline July 1

Register at jacksonfumc.org or use the FUMC app

or contact Christian Hesling at chesling@jacksonfumc.org #Jyw2018

Memorials & Honoraria

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

CHARLES ROTH
Judith Hazlewood
Mary Jane Hunter
Horne LLP
Sharon Matthews
Jimmy Matthews
Mona and Chuck Miller
Roberta and Jim Price (Chalices)

MARION MARTIN
Ray and Liz Bryant
Tom and Kelly Butler
William Clemmons
Brad and Beverly Denton
Eliza Forbes
Jim Hicks
Terry and Judy Holt
Leila Lawrence
Frank and Darleen Lawrence
Russell and Robyn Lents
Philip and Francie Lewis
Mona and Chuck Miller
Betty Sparkman
David and Cyd Teague
Suzanne and Hunter Welles

BETTIE BETTERMAN
Mona and Chuck Miller

FRANK BULLE
(Cathy Clayton's father)
Pam and Mike McCarty

JACK TUCKER
(Hunter and Suzanne Welles'
son-in-law)
Brad and Beverly Denton

GENE SMITH
Pam and Mike McCarty
Mona and Chuck Miller

DR. JAMES McLEMORE
Pam and Mike McCarty
Mona and Chuck Miller

JOAN EICKHOFF
Bobbie and John Mays (Music)

JERRY ADAMS
Pam and Mike McCarty
Mona and Chuck Miller



ADULTIVITIES

Adult Ministries

Susan Crocker, scrocker@jacksonfumc.org



75th Anniversary of "Casablanca" June 14 • 2 p.m. Church library

It's hot outside... come watch an afternoon movie together with Vicki Ridenhour. Vicki screens old movies each week on Blue Suede Forever with Steve Bowers on WTJS 93.1 on Fridays at 8:45 a.m. The radio program is also filmed live for JEA Channel 6 and the Blue Suede Forever Facebook page. *"Here's looking at you, kid"*



Balance, Stretch, & Tone

10-10:45 a.m. Wednesdays
Mezzanine - No cost

Join Esther Milam
June 6, 13, 20, 27, July 11 and 18.

Wear comfortable clothes and bring a hand towel.



HEALTHY SUMMER SMOOTHIE CLASS

July 25 • 11 a.m.
Mezzanine

No cost

Sign up at jacksonfumc.org
or use the FUMC app

OH SO DELICIOUS... AND GOOD FOR YOU, TOO!



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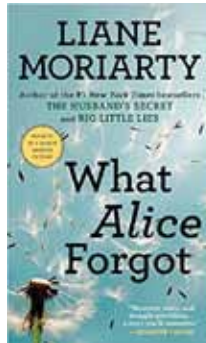
Between Friends Book Club 11 a.m. at the Baker's Rack

June 20

What Alice Forgot
by Liane Moriarty

July 18

Panchinko
by Min Jin Lee



Memorials & Honoraria

ELIZABETH DRIVER
(Todd Driver's sister)
Jim Hicks
Susan and John Crocker

GEORGE STONECIPHER JR.
(Lowell Stonecipher's brother)
Duncan and Joan McInnis
Suzanne and Hunter Welles

JAMES MILAM
(Greg Milam's father)
Brad and Beverly Denton
Val and Jimmy Exum
Pam and Mike McCarty
Suzanne and Hunter Welles

BOBBY SMITH AUSTIN
(Gary Austin's father)
Pam and Mike McCarty

IN LOVING HONOR OF

REV. SKY McCRACKEN
REV. LISA HARPER
MARGARET HARRISON
The Estate of Joan Eickhoff

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY
& VOLUNTEERS
Jackie Hoveskeland



Senior Adult
Ministries

Looking ahead for Fall

Adventures in Learning kicks off September 21!

O.W.L.S. (Older, Wiser, Laughing, Seniors)
August 2

Lunch & program on the Mezzanine, 1st Thursday
11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Are you in your 70s, 80s, 90s+? This is for you!
Join us on the Mezzanine from 11:30-12:30 for
lunch (\$5) & short program.

How do you sign up? Tuesday before the program
call Deborah at 422-4002 to add your name to the
list.

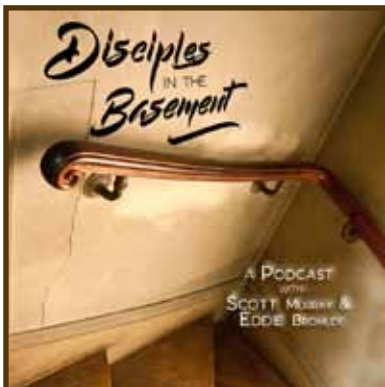
If you need a ride let us know... See you there!

Susan Crocker, Liz McCracken and Liza Forbes



Coffee & Conversation

Thursdays, 9-10 a.m.
Church library
*We talk about everything
under the sun, and we
have our opinion - come
share yours!*



Check out our new podcast
"Disciples in the Basement"
via the Media tab
in the JacksonFUMC app.

Join hosts Scott Murray & Eddie Bromley and
their guests, as they discuss and reflect on
different aspects of Christianity, life in our church
and our faith walk together as modern disciples.

Calendar of Events

Calendar subject to change. Please call the church office, 422-4002 or check the calendar at jacksonfumc.org

Sunday, June 10-Sunday, June 17

Youth Missions Trip to Philadelphia

Monday, June 18

9:00 AM Parents Day Out
5:30 PM Senior Olympic Basketball

Friday, June 29

No church events scheduled

Sunday, June 10

8:55 AM First Awakening Service
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Traditional Service
2:00 PM Auditions for Performing Arts Week Solos and Parts

Tuesday, June 19

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

Saturday, June 30

9:00 AM Youth Week Leaders Meeting

Monday, June 11-Friday, June 15

9:00 AM Performing Arts Week

Wednesday, June 20

9:00 AM Parents Day Out
10:00 AM Balance Stretch and Tone Class
11:30 AM Rotary Club Lunch Meeting
2:00 PM Prayer Team Meeting
6:00 PM Charge Conference
6:00 PM Handbells
6:30 PM First Awakening Rehearsal
7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir

Sunday, July 1

8:55 AM First Awakening Service
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Traditional Service

Monday, June 11

8:00 AM Organ Tuning
9:00 AM Parents Day Out
5:30 PM Senior Olympic Basketball
6:00 PM SPRC Meeting

Thursday, June 21

9:00 AM Coffee and Conversation
5:30 PM Senior Olympic Basketball

Monday, July 2

9:00 AM Parents Day Out
5:30 PM Senior Olympic Basketball

Tuesday, June 12

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

Tuesday, July 3

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

Wednesday, June 13

9:00 AM Parents Day Out
10:00 AM Balance Stretch and Tone Class
11:30 AM Rotary Club Lunch Meeting
2:00 PM Prayer Team Meeting
5:00 PM Adult Ministries Roundtable
6:00 PM Handbells
6:30 PM First Awakening Rehearsal
7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir

Friday, June 22

12:00 AM Youth Group from PA Overnight Stay

Wednesday, July 4

**Independence Day Holiday
Church Closed**

Saturday, June 23

No church events scheduled

Thursday, July 5

9:00 AM Coffee and Conversation
5:30 PM Senior Olympic Basketball

Thursday, June 14

9:00 AM Coffee and Conversation
2:00 PM "Afternoon at the Movies"
5:30 PM Senior Olympic Basketball

Sunday, June 24

8:55 AM First Awakening Service
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Traditional Service

Friday, July 6

No church events scheduled

Friday, June 15

12:00 PM Performing Arts Week Field Trip
12:00 AM Youth Group from PA Overnight Stay
6:00 PM Performing Arts Week Performance and Reception

Monday, June 25

5:30 PM Senior Olympic Basketball

Saturday, July 7

5:00 PM Room In The Inn

Tuesday, June 26

7:00 AM Men's Bible Study

Sunday, July 8

8:55 AM First Awakening Service
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Traditional Service
5:30 PM Vacation Bible School

Saturday, June 16

No church events scheduled

Wednesday, June 27

9:00 AM Parents Day Out
10:00 AM Balance Stretch and Tone Class
11:30 AM Rotary Club Lunch Meeting
2:00 PM Prayer Team Meeting
6:00 PM Handbells
6:30 PM First Awakening Rehearsal
7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir

Sunday, June 17

8:55 AM First Awakening Service
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Traditional Service

Thursday, June 28

9:00 AM Coffee and Conversation
5:30 PM Senior Olympic Basketball
6:00 PM Tex-Mex Cooking with Chef Andrew

Regular church office hours are:
8:30 a.m.- 5 p.m. Monday-Thursday
8:30 a.m.- 2 p.m. Friday

Save the Date! Sunday, July 29
9:30 a.m. Combined Worship
10:30 a.m. Brunch - Gym



We met with the Collette representative, Sawyer, about our trip to Greece, March 20, 2019.

If you would like an information packet, contact Susan Crocker (scrocker@jacksonfumc.org).



The Blessings of a Prayer Shawl

A Prayer Shawl is a work of loving hands and hearts responding to the guidance of God’s Spirit, a tangible symbol of God’s love reaching in to human hearts through the prayers and service of others. Prayer Shawl Ministry members knit or crochet shawls that are given to individuals who are ill, suffering a loss, or are otherwise in the midst of a life crisis. Patterns and yarns are provided for prayer shawls, preemie caps, chemo caps and afghans. Before the work begins, yarn for each shawl is blessed with a special prayer. Every time ministry team members work on the shawls, whether in a group or at home, they begin with prayer and scripture reading. Upon completion, another blessing is bestowed on the shawl and it is hand-delivered to the special recipient.

Thanks to all who serve in this ministry.



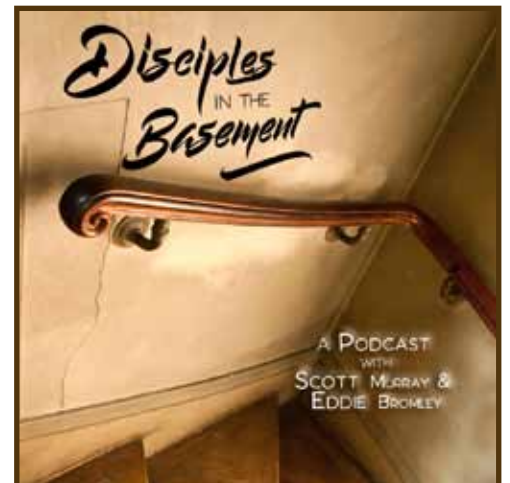
Mission Corner

SERVING OPPORTUNITIES



Mission Collections for Operation Hope/ Reelfoot Rural Ministries/ Lincoln Elementary School for June/ July/August - School supplies needed are: #2 pencils, wide ruled paper/ loose leaf notebook paper, colored pencils, markers, dry erase markers, and composition books. *Please place items in the crib in the main lobby.*

Commissioning of Middle School Youth on Sunday, June 3 for “Collide”, serving alongside other churches in Memphis, June 3-8.



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Sunday Morning Worship

Sunday, June 10	<i>"Give Us a King"</i> Eddie Bromley, preaching 1 Samuel 8:4-11, 16-20 8:55 & 11:00 a.m. Sunday School at 10 a.m.
Sunday, June 17	Sky McCracken, preaching Mark 4:26-34 8:55 & 11:00 a.m. Sunday School at 10 a.m.
Sunday, June 24	Sky McCracken, preaching 2 Cor. 6:1-13 8:55 & 11:00 a.m. Sunday School at 10 a.m.
Sunday, July 1	Sky McCracken, preaching Mark 5:21-43 8:55 & 11:00 a.m. Sunday School at 10 a.m. Communion

Save the Date! Sunday, July 29 : 9:30 a.m. Combined Worship, 10:30 a.m. Brunch - Gym