



Hartsville United Methodist Church

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Methodist Messenger

June 2024

A Word from Pastor Tim:

As some of you may be aware, our church operates in a connectional system. That means that every four years, Methodists from around the globe gather for a legislative session known as General Conference where they set standards and policies for our shared life together. This most recently occurred at the beginning of May. There were a lot of decisions made that will have a direct effect on us as a local congregation.

You may have seen some of these discussed in the news. I cannot list everything that was done in an article of this size. There is simply too much. Here are the highlights. LGBTQ individuals can now be pastors, pastors can perform same-sex weddings, they can be hosted in UM churches, marriage has been redefined to accommodate this, pastors will no longer be disciplined for adultery, the church no longer teaches against adultery, a new pro-choice statement on abortion was adopted, the UMC has committed to divest from Israel, apportionment dollars will be given to promote the acceptance of LGBTQ lifestyles in America, as well as other changes. I encourage you to search these out for yourself. I would be happy to send you some links or print out some materials for you to read over if you would like.

The council will be discussing this as well. So, I encourage you to talk to me and to talk to your leaders to be well informed on everything. And to be present at all meetings so that your voice is heard and incorporated into the work of the church as we move forward.

Please keep in mind that my door is always available for anyone, members and nonmembers, to come and discuss any aspect of this.

For those that are apprehensive with these changes rest assured, the activities of our congregation will not change. We will continue to love one another, regardless of where opinions differ. We will continue to welcome everyone into our church. We will continue to worship the Lord in spirit and in truth. Our services will not change. And the way we treat each other will not change.

ACTIVITIES AVAILABLE DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL TIME AT 10 AM. THE CHOICES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Class	Ages	Leader	Location
Nursery	Newborn – 3yo	Gilda	Downstairs Nursery
Youth Group	4yo- 5 th grade	Kathy R.	Youth Classroom
John Wesley Class	18yo and up	John O.	Upstairs Classroom

*Sunday School
For Learning*

PRAYER LIST

The backbone of a church is prayer. Place this somewhere you will see it often. Then let every sighting be a reminder to pray for these folks. Please update the church when you can on those on this list and on others who need to be added. Thank you.

Alice White	Flo Dunavant
Maxton Hawkins	Rosemary Denham
Alice Livingston	Sean Engle
Jim Hunt	Bert Gammons
Eddie Taylor	Beth Rolin
Micheal Oliver	Harry Seise
Amanda Garey	Scott Byrd
Tia Davis	Charneal Smith
Helen & Don Voss	Jill Harper
Levi Owen	David Parker
Ashley Warwick	Wendy Finn
Jeff Wyatt	Tom Harris
Megan Gammons and Family	

Mission of the Month



Our ministry of the month for June is our Vacation Bible School. This year it is being held at 1st Baptist with the help of several area churches. But we are still paying just as much to put this on as we have in years past. Would you like to contribute to this great mission?

You can give directly to this account anytime of the year by simply marking the memo line on your offering. Or, you can leave any unmarked donation on the altar rail during communion service this month.

First Responder's Service

We will be having a First Responders Service on Sunday, June 23. This is a day to honor the First Responders in our community by providing them with a gift, a meal, and a message of the gospel to encourage them.

Crossroads Mission will be in attendance that day to help us lead that service. I am not sure which first responders will attend. But I am positive that the ones that you don't invite won't come. So get the word out!

Police, sheriff, firefighters, correctional officers, military, active and retired, pastors and missionaries. And make sure to greet them warmly that day, and stay after the service for a meal in the fellowship hall with them.

Don't shy away from inviting people that attend other churches. We are not asking them to leave their church, just to allow us to thank them on this one Sunday. Tim has flyer available in the office if you want to hand them out when you invite people.



Laity Sunday

Sunday, June 30th we will follow the tradition of all Methodist churches in this area and have Laity Sunday. The laity of the church will lead the entire service with Dr. Clint Satterfield delivering the message in Hartsville and Linda Johnson proclaiming the Gospel at Chapel Hill.

VBS



It's almost that time again; time for Vacation Bible School. It will be held at 1st Baptist, June 3 - 7. We need lots of volunteers to come and help each night. Let Melissa Robertson know if you're willing to commit to volunteering and when. Thank you!

Old Upper Rooms?

If you have any old Upper Rooms or similar items, please bring them into the church. We gather these and donate them to where they can be distributed to communities and countries that otherwise would not have access. They don't care that they're out of date, they benefit from them just the same. We will be making our annual delivery of these items before the end of the month. So bring yours in and drop them in the basket in the hallway just outside the sanctuary.

Jun-24

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 Communion <u>Fellowship Meal</u> <u>Council Mtg</u>	3 VBS At 1st Baptist	4 Bible Study @ 6 pm @ Goose Creek VBS At 1st Baptist	5 Church Office 10 am - 2 pm VBS At 1st Baptist	6 Church Office 10 am - 2 pm VBS At 1st Baptist	7 Church Office 10 am - 2 pm VBS At 1st Baptist	8
9	10 Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	11 Bible Study @ 6 pm @ Goose Creek	12 Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	13 Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	14 Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	15
16 Father's Day	17	18 Bible Study @ 6 pm @ Goose Creek	19	20	21	22
23 1st Responder's Service	24 Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	25 Bible Study @ 6 pm @ Goose Creek	26 Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	27 Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	28 Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	29
30 Laity Sunday	1 Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	2 Bible Study @ 6 pm @ Goose Creek	3 Church Office 10 am - 2 pm	4	5	6

Sunday Servants:

Prayer Team

2 - Tina Hiett
 09 - Betty Gross
 16 - Kathy Dies
 23 - Kathy Robertson
 30 - John Oliver

Reader

02 - Hadley Bowwell
 09 - J Mac Crabtree
 16 - Jonathan Brown
 23 - Morgan Robertson
 30 - Katherine Garey

Kid's Message

02 - Kathy Atwood
 09 - Beth Crabtree
 16 - Leah Brown
 23 - Melissa Robertson
 30 - John Oliver

Flowers

02 - Natalie Knudsen
 09 - Kathy Dies
 16 - Connie Dillahay
 23 - Betty Gross
 30 - Leah Brown

Ushers

Oliver Family

Help Center: Canned Fruit

The Chapel Hill Chronicle



Chapel Hill United Methodist Church

92 Beasley Bend Road in Riddleton, TN
 Sunday Worship at 9 AM
 Sunday School at 10:15 AM

“Always pray to have eyes that see the best in people, a heart that forgives the worst, a mind that forgets the bad, and a soul that never loses faith in God.”

~Unknown

BIRTHDAYS:

Sheryl Beasley	June 1 st
Tony Robb	June 2 nd
Mikayla Milton	June 21 st
Mary Draper Hager	June 26 th
Chris Inman	June 28 th
Brianna Inman	June 28 th
Drew Inman	June 30 th

ANNIVERSARIES:

Greg & Mary Hager	June 21 st
George & Wilma Draper	June 21 st
Anthony & Sheryl Beasley	June 26 th

SOME GAVE ALL:

Jere Bowen Mitchell	June 26 th
KIA, Cherbourg, France	1921-1944

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

First Baptist Church, Hartsville, TN
 June 3 – 7, 2024 6:00-8:00 p.m.

FLAG DAY

June 14th

FATHER’S DAY

June 16th

JUNETEENTH

June 19th

SUMMER SOLTACE

June 20th

June means Summer. June means approximately six months until

Christmas. Oh, my! Back in the day June was always the month for Vacation Bible School at the small country Methodist Church I attended in my childhood. The ladies in charge of Bible School were all stay at home farmer’s wives who were well versed in the Bible and were knowledgeable, wonderful teachers of His Word. They were also great cooks. They served homemade snacks that we washed down with Kool Aid served in Dixie Cups. We sang VBS songs and folk songs such as Michael Row Your Boat Ashore, Kum Ba Yah..., usually while wearing hair adornment and necklaces of clover that we made outside at playtime. We had more than usual children to attend because the neighborhood children would come that did not usually or ever attend our church. The boys would look for lizards, frogs and bugs to scare the girls with. Usually on the last day of VBS we would get sprinkled with the hose pipe. Once Paul Carroll created some drama as he suffered a severe cut on his hand from the pitcher pump of the well outside. He had to get stitches. I am sure he still has the scar, if Paul still is. If he isn’t, I’m sure God has made his hand perfect again. “Oh, I remember, I remember,” sings Bob Seger.

The month of June has always seemed slow, cozy and loving to me. The days are long with light and a gentle feel. A sigh of relief to know that the bloom of flowers is near and the fresh, garden vegetables are on their way. See how God loves us? 😊 Let June bring out the best in all of us. Use this pleasant time to love and live in peace and patience. Live in love. Read and practice the RED words in the Bible. ~LH

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Recipe Corner

Fresh Fruit Salad with Goat Cheese
By Natalie Knudsen

2 c. blueberries
2 c. strawberries
2 c. watermelon
3-4 fresh basil leaves
4 oz. blueberry goat cheese

Dice strawberries and watermelon to match the size of the blueberries and place in a large bowl. Cut goat cheese into 8-10 pieces. Slice basil leaves into thin strips. Add goat cheese and basil to fruit, stirring carefully.

The goat cheese will thin out into a dressing or coating on the fruit.

Chill for several hours to blend flavors.

*An easy way to use our locally grown fruit!!

Want to submit a recipe? Send it to Pastor Tim!