



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Covington, TN

March 30, 2023
A Bi-Weekly Newsletter

Easter at Covington FUMC

April 2 - Passion/Palm Sunday Worship

- Combined Worship - 11am
- Fellowship Lunch - Noon
- Easter Egg Hunt - follows lunch

April 3-7 - Holy Week Worship - Noon

April 9 - Easter Sunday

- 6:30am - Sunrise Worship
- 8:30am - Modern Worship
- 11:00am - Traditional Worship

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP

NOON-COVINGTON FUMC

Monday - Tom Ralstin

Tuesday - Shawn Moses

Wednesday - Cliff Marion

Thursday - Michael Pence

Friday - Ed Doyle

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FUMC Office Hours:
9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.
Monday-Friday

*"Leading people to
Christ, Learning to be
like Christ,
Loving like Christ."*

Palm Sunday Celebration

Sunday, April 2

One Worship Service, 11:00 AM

Followed by a

“Bring-a-Dish” Fellowship Meal & the Children’s Easter Egg Hunt*

Ham, rolls and drinks will be provided

*** Remember to bring your Easter Baskets**



Orders for Easter lilies are being taken now through April 3rd. You may order in honor of or in memory of a loved one. Lilies are \$15 each and will be displayed during services on Easter Sunday. You may take your Easter lily home after the services Sunday, April 9th.

Scan the QR code to order online or use the order forms available on the usher’s table in the Sanctuary and the front table in the Christian Life Center. Forms may be placed in the offering plate or mailed to the church office, 145 W. Church Avenue, Covington, TN 38019.

Payment must be made at time of order. Please make checks payable to First United Methodist Church.



We are learning about FORGIVENESS this month!! EVERYONE needs it, AND God ALWAYS gives it!! We did a SUPER COOL experiment!! The flame on the candle consumes oxygen which decreases the pressure inside the vase, while the pressure outside stays constant, since the outside pressure is greater than the inside pressure the water pushes up into the vase, taking the water out of the dish!! Just like FORGIVENESS takes away the bad things we've done, and God always forgives! We learned about Simon inviting Jesus to dinner and the woman who washed Jesus' feet, and how Jesus forgave her no matter how great her sins were, so we made invitations to invite someone to church or to something else! We have SO MUCH FUN on Wednesday nights, and are ALWAYS HAPPY to WELCOME new friends!



March 29 Lily Ford
 Josh Griffin
 John Howard
 Hope Turner
 Kirk Winberry
 March 30 June Whitley
 March 31 Dustin Phelps
 April 1 Tom Rogers
 April 2 Cayla Cook
 Staci Sullivan

April 3 Jackson Gardner
 April 4 Maddie Pugh
 April 5 Isabella Hughes
 April 6 Tommy Flanagan
 Ava McCalla
 Jonathan Stewart
 April 7 Easton Burdette
 Barbara David
 April 8 Hallie Bryant
 Liz Newman
 April 10 Debbie Sater
 Neely Turner
 April 11 David Enzor
 April 12 Keith Phelps
 April 13 Cayden Griffin
 April 15 Stefanie Beasley
 Charles Brasfield
 Nate Lazure



Front: Georgianne Phelps; Back: Murphy Jones, Andrew Mitchell, Trace Griffin, Reece Shipley, Nick Castleman

We had a great time at the Lakeshore Confirmation Retreat with some of our confirmands! They got to learn all about Wesleyan theology, including the three types of grace and John Wesley's "3 Simple Rules." We participated in fun activities such as making a "faith timeline" that made us think deeper about our faith journeys and made lots of friends from other churches ranging from Memphis to Kentucky. Confirmation Sunday is April 16th at both services. We hope to see you that morning in support of all of our confirmands!



We are asking for donations of individually wrapped candy and plastic eggs for our upcoming
Easter Egg Hunt
Sunday, April 2nd at noon!

Candy collection boxes are setup in the handicap entrance to the Sanctuary and in the lobby of the CLC.

Pray
WITH US

Physical Concerns

JoAnn Anderson
 Nick Castleman
 Robert Sanford
 John Seagrave
 Cody Thompson

Undergoing Treatment for Cancer

Opal Brock
 Lane Camp
 Jackson Hughey
 Bob Lakey
 Nancy McDonald
 Michael Pence
 Sherry Sartain Powell
 Ann Rivers
 Shannon Tufts
 Liz Turner
 Donna VanDouser
 Ashley Wilson
 Landon Wilson
 Sean Wilson

Bereavement

For the family of Mae Baskin
 For the family of Eric Howard
 For the family of Walter Whitley

TRIBUTES & MEMORIALS

In Honor of **JoAnn Anderson**

Choir and Worship Fund by Don and Ellen Clark

In Memory of **Jean Baddour**

Children's Fund by Chris and Sara Gangaware

Education Building Renovation Fund by Michael and Hope Turner

In Memory of **Nadine Davis**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Eddie and Carol Daniel

Operating Fund by Corrie Metcalf

In Memory of **Jennings Cox**

Food Pantry Fund by Susan Cranford and Nancy McDonald

Food Pantry Fund by Tipton Rosemark Academy Faculty, Staff and Board of Directors

Christian Counseling Fund by Ted and Carolyn Turner

In Memory of **Bill Enzor**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Michael and Hope Turner

In Memory of **Barbara Jean Franklin**

Good Samaritan Fund by Ted and Carolyn Turner

In Memory of **Steve Glass**

Christian Counseling Fund by Ted and Carolyn Turner

In Memory of **Carole Hughey**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Sarah Akin

Education Building Renovation Fund by Eddie and Carol Daniel

Good Samaritan Fund by Chris and Sara Gangaware

Education Building Renovation Fund by Michael and Hope Turner

In Memory of **Hazel Lundy**

Christian Counseling Fund by Ted and Carolyn Turner

In Memory of **Kelly Mayfield**

Christian Counseling Fund by Ted and Carolyn Turner

In Memory of **Peggy Portis**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Eddie and Carol Daniel

Education Building Renovation Fund by Adam Simpson and Family

Education Building Renovation Fund by Nancy Simpson

In Memory of **Frank Racy**

Good Samaritan Fund by Michelle Powell

Good Samaritan Fund by Thomas and Merilee Powell

Christian Counseling Fund by Ted and Carolyn Turner

In Memory of **Paul Wallace**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Bud and Debbie Neal

In Memory of **Walter Whitley**

Christian Counseling Fund by Shirley Bready

Education Building Renovation Fund by Skip and Kendy Erwin

Christian Counseling Fund by Maxwell Hardwood, Inc.

Christian Counseling Fund by Michael and Mary McDaniel

Education Building Renovation Fund by Leonard and Brenda Moss

Congregational Care Fund Joe and Sandra Naifeh

Christian Counseling Fund by Whitehorn, Tankersley and Davis, PLLC

In Memory of **Ann Witherington**

Christian Counseling Fund by Ted and Carolyn Turner

Event Calendar

Thursday, March 30:

- 7:00 AM: Men's Prayer Breakfast - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 AM: Pickleball - CLC
- 5:30 PM: Gentle Exercise Group - CLC

Saturday, April 1:

- 8:00 AM: Bread of Life Food Pantry, Covington

PALM SUNDAY, April 2:

- 9:45 AM: Sunday School
- 11:00 AM: One Worship - Sanctuary
- 12:00 PM: Potluck Luncheon - Christian Life Center
- 12:45 PM: Children's Easter Egg Hunt

Monday, April 3:

- 10:00 AM: Pickle Ball - CLC
- 12:00 PM: Holy Week Worship-Sanctuary
- 5:30 PM: Gentle Exercise Group - CLC
- 7:00 PM: Young Adult Group - New Beginnings Classroom

Tuesday, April 4:

- 9:00 AM: Women's Bible Study - New Beginnings Classroom
- 10:00 AM: Line Dancing - CLC
- 12:00 PM: Holy Week Worship-Sanctuary

Wednesday, April 5:

- 10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study - New Beginnings Room
- 12:00 PM: Holy Week Worship-Sanctuary
- 6:00 PM: Children, Youth & Adult Bible Studies
- 7:00 PM: Choir Practice - Sanctuary
- 8:00 PM: Worship Band Practice - CLC

Thursday, April 6:

- 7:00 AM: Men's Prayer Breakfast - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 AM: Pickleball - CLC
- 12:00 PM: Holy Week Worship-Sanctuary
- 5:30 PM: Gentle Exercise Group - CLC

Friday, April 7:

- 12:00 PM: Holy Week Worship-Sanctuary

Saturday, April 8:

- 8:00 AM: Bread of Life Food Pantry, Munford

EASTER SUNDAY, April 9:

- 6:30 AM Sunrise Service-Christian Life Center Parking Lot
- 8:30 AM: Modern Worship - CLC
- 9:45 AM: Sunday School
- 11:00 AM: Traditional Worship - Sanctuary

We're Hiring!

Nursery Worker Needed

Eligible candidates must be at least 21 years of age, available to work every Sunday morning, and meet other requirements of the job description. For more information or an application contact Liz Newman, 901-476-9694 or LNewman@covingtonfumc.com.

Volunteers are needed until someone is hired.



GIVING, ATTENDANCE & ONLINE VIEWING

March 12, 2023

In Person 8:30 service:	47
In Person 11:00 service:	135
Sunday School:	68

Facebook Views 8:30 service:	203
Facebook Views 11:00 service:	210

Offering	\$10,619.97
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March 19, 2023

In Person 8:30 service:	87
In Person 11:00 service:	121
Sunday School:	83

Facebook Views 8:30 service:	107
Facebook Views 11:00 service:	204

Offering	\$6,789.00
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March 26, 2023

In Person 8:30 service:	74
In Person 11:00 service:	124
Sunday School:	78

Facebook Views 8:30 service:	145
Facebook Views 11:00 service:	172

Offering	\$8,442.62
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WORSHIP TIMES

Modern Worship

Sundays at 8:30 a.m.
Christian Life Center

Traditional Worship

Sundays at 11:00 a.m.
Sanctuary



Please place living flowers on the cross in front of our church beginning at sunrise on Easter morning as a tribute to our risen Christ.

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