



Kicking off Fall with Burgers, Bingo & Backpack Blessings

Wednesday, August 19,
@ 5:30 pm in the
Christian Life Center

*Everyone is invited,
Bring your backpack & a
Friend for food,
fellowship, fun & prizes!!*



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9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.
Monday-Friday

*"Leading people to
Christ, Learning to
be Disciples,
Loving through
Service."*

Vacation Bible School was a wonderful week of fun, faith, and fellowship as we investigated what it means to follow Jesus. Throughout the week, our young detectives discovered that spending time with God is how we grow, using our gifts is how we serve, spending time with others is how we care, and sharing our story is how we love.

With more than 50 children registered and around 30 dedicated volunteers, it was a week filled with laughter, learning, and lasting memories. Detective Carl stayed hot on the trail of Andrew, uncovering important truths and plenty of surprises along the way!

We wrapped up the week with a pool party at Ripley Water Park and celebrated everything God had done during a special VBS Sunday service, where our children led every part of worship except the sermon. It was a joyful reminder that the next generation is already serving and sharing God's love.

Thank you to everyone who volunteered, donated, prayed, and participated to make this year's VBS such a success. It truly was a fantastic week - and remember, we're on the case!



A good time was had by all at Vacation Bible School 2026. The theme was "On the Case". Each evening Detective Carl and friends searched for a missing boy named Andrew while helping our children discover important truths about following Jesus. Through Bible stories, crafts, games, snacks, music, and fun activities, children learned that growing in faith means connecting with God, serving others, building caring relationships, and sharing God's love with the world.

It was a wonderful week filled with love, laughter, and spiritual growth. Many thanks go out to all our volunteers. We couldn't have done it without you!





United Women in Faith

ATTENTION LADIES!

As Summer is drawing to a close the United Women in Faith are gearing up for another year of learning and serving. The regular monthly meetings will resume on Tuesday, August 4, at noon in Fellowship Hall. ALL LADIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND.

Ms. Shannon Leach will be in attendance to share insight into the mission and ministry of *The Fostered Gift*. A non-profit organization, based in Burlison, Tennessee that provides comfort items and necessities to children entering foster care. It's mission is to ease the trauma of the transition by stocking emergency waiting areas and providing "Gift Kits". To show our support of this project large new "stuffies" (stuffed animals) and new Hot Wheels will be collected at the meeting. If you are unable to attend the August meeting but would still like to make a donation to *The Fostered Gift*, please drop it by the church office or give it to Kathy Wallace, Martha McDaniel or Liz Newman.



This summer youth have been meeting on Tuesdays to eat lunch and catch up during the summer. It's been a great opportunity to stay connected in the midst of busy summer schedules. We hope to see everyone on August 19th to kick the school year off with burgers, bingo, and backpack blessings.

I want to extend a huge thank you to everyone who attended and volunteered for VBS. We had an amazing program which wouldn't have been possible without all of you.

Be Well,

Ethan Cedarfield, Youth Director

TRIBUTES & MEMORIALS



In Memory of **Lydia Anderson**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Kaye Smith

In Memory of **Patricia Anderson**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Kaye Smith

In Memory of **Jimmy and Yvonne Bryant**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Kaye Smith

In Memory of **Janie Baxter Carloss**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Byars Hall High School Class of 1963

In Memory of **Gail Ganier**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Kaye Smith

In Memory of **Rosemary Sanders Hanson**

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In Memory of **Donna Jones**

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In Memory of **Bob Lakey**

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In Memory of **Rickey Lindsey**

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In Memory of **Claire Marshall**

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In Memory of **Shirley Mathis**

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In Memory of **Barbra Racy**

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In Memory of **Sharon Rieken**

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In Memory of **Judy Rogers**

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In Memory of **Barbara Turner**

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August 1 Bill Franklin
 August 2 Keith Anderson
 Martha Brasfield
 August 4 Debbie Neal
 Mike Racine
 August 6 Cade Carter Sampson
 August 8 Linda Ray
 August 10 Carter Todd
 Carolyn Turner
 August 12 Amy David
 Jean Ridenour
 Kyle Maclin

August 14 Lee Delashmit
 August 16 April Katrosh
 Laura Richardson
 August 17 Addy Ray
 August 18 Beverly Smith
 Alison Timberlake
 August 19 Henry Glass, Jr.
 August 20 Hogan Gangaware
 Chelsea Griffin

Atticus

Racine
 August 21 Rachel Witherington
 August 22 Mattie Byrd
 August 23 Rob Hendren
 August 24 Jimmy Bryant
 Wally Burdette
 Owen Shipley
 August 26 Rylee Ford
 Landon Myers
 August 27 Christie Caldwell
 Matthew Hughes
 August 28 Gage Stone

GIVING & ATTENDANCE

July 19, 2026

In Person 8:30 service:	59
In Person 11:00 service:	68
Sunday School:	52
Facebook Views 8:30 service:	512
Facebook Views 11:00 service:	877
Offering:	\$3,357.00



July 26, 2026

One Worship	92
Sunday School:	34
Facebook Views 11:00 service:	523
Offering:	\$5,284.00

Pray
WITH US

Physical Concerns

Andrea Franklin
 Beth Lakey
 Ken McCool
 Judy McCool
 Jon Benton Mize
 Joe Naifeh
 Bettye Shelley
 J.C. Thornton
 Dianne Williams

Undergoing Treatment for Cancer

Don Clark	Jennifer Jones Moore
Beverly Orton Felts	Kathy McCool Townsend
Tucker James	Hyatt Williams
Leslie Diane Marshall	

Condolences

Family of Patricia Anderson

Event Calendar

Saturday, August 1:

9:00 AM: Bread of Life Food Pantry, Covington

Sunday, August 2:

8:30 AM: Modern Worship - Christian Life Center

9:45 AM: Sunday School

11:00 AM: Traditional Worship - Sanctuary

2:00 PM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Monday, August 3:

10:00 AM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

6:00 PM: Tipton County Chorus - Christian Life Center

6:30 PM: Trustees Meeting-New Beginnings Room

Tuesday, August 4:

9:00 AM: Tipton County Line Dancers - Christian Life Center

12:00 PM: United Women in Faith Meeting - Fellowship Hall

1:00 PM: Taco Tuesday - El Presidente Restaurant

4:00 PM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Thursday, August 6:

7:00 AM: Men's Prayer Breakfast - Fellowship Hall

10:00 AM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

3:00 PM: Methodist Preparatory School Open House

Saturday, August 8:

9:00 AM: Bread of Life Food Pantry, Munford

Sunday, August 9:

8:30 AM: Modern Worship - Christian Life Center

9:45 AM: Sunday School

11:00 AM: Traditional Worship - Sanctuary

Monday, August 10:

10:00 AM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

6:00 PM: Tipton County Chorus - Christian Life Center

Tuesday, August 11:

9:00 AM: Tipton County Line Dancers - Christian Life Center

4:00 PM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Thursday, August 13:

7:00 AM: Men's Prayer Breakfast - Fellowship Hall

10:00 AM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center



WORSHIP TIMES

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

Traditional Worship
Sundays at 11:00 a.m.
Sanctuary



The Bread of Life food pantry continues to provide food to our community each Saturday morning and we always need volunteers. The food pantry operates the first and third Saturday of each month at Covington First United Methodist Church and the second and fourth Saturday of each month at Munford First United Methodist Church.

New volunteers are ALWAYS welcome and deeply appreciated. On the job training is provided with each pantry event, signup is requested but last minute walk-ins can be a God send. Youth organizations, ball teams, and groups of all kinds are welcome to come and help out, we request that they notify the church office first, 901-476-9694.

Below are the links to volunteer during the months of August and September. Please signup for the dates you are available, feel free to share these links. As always, should you have any questions feel free to reach out to me, LNemwan@Covingtonfumc.com

To volunteer during the month of August, follow this link:
volunteersignup.org/B3EWT

To volunteer during the month of September, follow this link:
volunteersignup.org/388YC

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