

History, Legacy, and Mission

We are approaching the 200th anniversary of Covington's bicentennial, and in informal conversations we realize that our church has a rich history in contributing to our city's life and legacy.

We have several individuals who would like to compile our church history into a book that could be published. But such a feat could not happen and would be less than complete without contributions from everyone. Stories, photos, newspaper clippings, and the like are the type of things that we would need for such a task. We have treasures in our church, people like Russ Bailey, Carol Daniels, Jay Smith, and others who have the gifts of compiling such a project together. Please let them know of your interest! They will certainly need your help.

While we often see the Scriptures as a rule book, we forget that it is literature also, full of many literary genres: poetry, saga, wisdom, prophecy, letters, narrative, irony – along with incredible stories and epics of culture and history. We are products of our history and culture – good and bad- and such shape who we are as a community of faith.

You will soon hear our church council discuss interest and planning on how we want to contribute to our town's bicentennial, and I hope you will start thinking about the things that YOU and your family could contribute.

The Christian faith has always been one generation away from being lost, but because of faith, witness, legacy, and tradition, it – along with the Holy Spirit – keeps the faith alive. I hope you will give this some of your time, your thoughts, and your prayers. I am excited about what witness for Jesus Christ we can give our community as a church!

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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."*

SONDAY NIGHT LIVE

Worship!

Pizza
& a sundae bar!

Corn hole Fun!

Fellowship!

All Youth and Youth Groups are Invited!!!

Sunday, September 28 at 6:30

**Ripley Amphitheater
on the historical Ripley Square**



**Speaker:
Corey O'Hara**

Professional DEVELOPMENT



**JORDAN
HENSON**
DRUMS



**MASON
KELLEY**
GUITAR/VOCALS



**RACHEL
GARDNER**
KEYS/VOCALS



**MATT
LEMONS**
BASS/VOCALS



**JONNY
WOOLDRIDGE**
GUITAR/FIDDLE



**KELLIANNE
CRAIG**
VOCALS



**EMILEE
MONTGOMERY**
VOCALS



**JEREMY
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SAXOPHONE

for information, call Dawn at 901-848-3296

United Women in Faith met Monday, September 8th. The meetings guest speaker was Nancy Hughes. She spoke to the group about Operation Christmas Child. This ministry sends gift-filled shoeboxes to children in need around the world together with the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. If you would like to fill a shoebox, please see Kathy Wallace or Martha McDaniel for the list of specific items to be included and other pertinent information.

The next meeting of United Women in Faith will be **Monday, October 13th at noon in the Fellowship Hall**. Lunch will be provided and all women are invited to attend!



*(Pictured left to right)
Martha McDaniel, Nancy Hughes,
Kathy Wallace*



United
Women
in Faith



Burgers and Bingo kicked off our fall activities with great excitement, thanks to our BINGO Masters Melissa Mitchell and Molly Glass. Attendees feasted on burgers (of course), and all the fixin's; hot dogs, chips, beans, salad and a huge selection of desserts. Many rounds of BINGO were played with prizes awarded to all the winners! And naturally, there was a little Jesus everywhere!



Methodist Preparatory School

Methodist Prep has had a great start to our school year! We currently serve 27 preschool students in the morning and 14 after school care students ranging from preschool to second grade. We are almost full for the year, but we do have one or two spots available. If you hear of anyone looking for a quality, loving preschool, please tell them to call Amy Shrum!

The use of the renovated educational building has been such a blessing to our students and teachers. We are so grateful for such a bright and welcoming place to learn, a playground to enjoy sunny days, a walkway to keep us dry on rainy days, a gym to play in when it's too hot or too cold, and a beautiful fellowship hall to host our families for special days. Thank you so much to the Covington FUMC congregation and staff for all you have done to make us feel welcome and loved.





September 11 Bob Lakey
 Connor Thornton
 September 12 Mark Shrum
 September 13 Bill Peeler
 September 14 Sarah Maury
 September 15 Sarah Newman
 September 16 Lane Clark
 September 18 Katheryn Gangaware
 Ken McCool

September 19 Hollie Bryant
 Meredith Owen
 Holli Ray
 September 20 Mary Hastings Gangaware
 September 21 Ted Turner
 September 22 Anna Claire Payne
 Claire Peeler
 Christopher Smith
 September 25 Wayne Cooley
 Betty Stanton
 September 26 Trae Carter
 September 28 Griff Gangaware
 Chelsea Morgan
 September 29 Eddie Daniel
 Christopher David
 September 30 Don Clark

GIVING & ATTENDANCE

August 31, 2025

In Person 8:30 service:	70
In Person 11:00 service:	78
Sunday School:	52
Facebook Views 8:30 service:	306
Facebook Views 11:00 service:	383
Offering:	\$4,215.00

September 7, 2025

In Person 8:30 service:	87
In Person 11:00 service:	101
Sunday School:	72
Facebook Views 8:30 service:	201
Facebook Views 11:00 service:	245
Offering:	\$10,570.00

Pray
WITH US

Physical Concerns

Faye Beckett
 Gail Ganier
 Beth Lakey
 Sophie Nolan
 W. W. Ray
 Donna VanDouser
 Shirley Young

Undergoing Treatment for Cancer

Lydia Anderson	Tucker James
Donald Brock	Bob Lakey
Kenneth Coulston	Rickey Lindsey
Bettye Davis	Lois Martin
Janet Greggs	Jennifer Jones Moore
Christine Hight	Johnny Nichols
Robert Hurt	Ellen Sherrill

Condolences

TRIBUTES & MEMORIALS

In Honor of **Elton Bryant**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Ted and Carolyn Turner

In Memory of **Douglas Carpenter**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Tim and Kathy Wallace

In Memory of **Katie Witherington Cooley**

Organ Restoration Fund by Dr. and Mrs. Barret Matthews

In Memory of **Rosemary Hanson**

Organ Restoration Fund by Henry and Betty Glass

Food Pantry Fund by Dr. and Mrs. Barret Matthews

In Memory of **Bennie Roe**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Ted and Carolyn Turner

In Memory of **Stephen Smith**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Dr. and Mrs. Barret Matthews

In Memory of **Rev. and Mrs. Bill Springer**

Organ Restoration Fund by Russ and Patricia Bailey

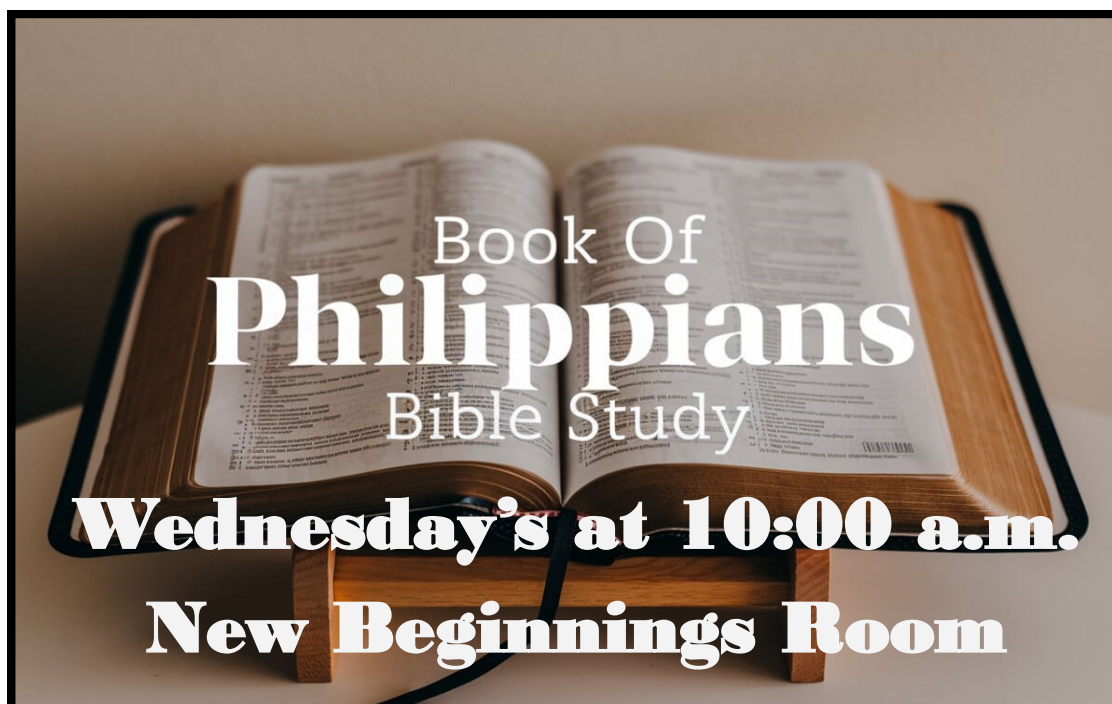
In Memory of **Lilah Stokes**

Education Building Renovation Fund by Ted and Carolyn Turner

In Memory of **Bobbie Waits**

Organ Restoration Fund by Henry and Betty Glass

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Event Calendar

Saturday, September 13:

7:00 AM: Rummage Sale, Christian Life Center

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

Sunday, September 14:

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, September 15:

10:00 AM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

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

Tuesday, September 16:

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

4:00 PM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Wednesday, September 17:

10:00 AM: Adult Bible Study - New Beginnings room

5:30 PM: Children and Youth Activities - Christian Life Center/Education Building

7:00 PM: Choir Practice - Sanctuary

Thursday, September 18:

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

10:00 AM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Saturday, September 20:

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

Sunday, September 21:

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, September 22:

10:00 AM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

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

Tuesday, September 23:

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

4:00 PM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Wednesday, September 24:

10:00 AM: Adult Bible Study - New Beginnings Room

5:30 PM: Children and Youth Activities - Christian Life Center/Education Building

7:00 PM: Choir Practice - Sanctuary



WORSHIP TIMES

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

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



Save the Date!

Heritage Sunday, September 28th

**Both worship services - 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.
will be in the Sanctuary**

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