

September 25, 2026
A Bi-Weekly Newsletter



United
Women
in Faith

The September meeting of United Women in Faith held the spotlight on yet another fantastic Tipton County amenity, the UT TSU Extension Office. Director and Extension Agent Katie Dees brought our attention to the variety of programs and classes offered by the Extension Office to the community. UT Extension serves the citizens of Tipton County with

educational programs in the areas of Agriculture, Family and Consumer Sciences, Community Resource Development, and 4-H Youth Development. Check out their website for more information [www.https://tipton.tennessee.edu/](https://tipton.tennessee.edu/).

In addition to learning more about our community, our ladies spent time serving in our community. Thursday, September 3rd the ladies joined forces and prepared a meal of spaghetti, applesauce, cookies, and crackers for 130 Boys & Girls Club Members.

The next meeting of United Women in Faith will be held in Fellowship Hall, October 6 at noon. All ladies are invited to attend, and bring a friend! For more information contact Kathy Wallace or Martha McDaniel.



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

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

So much fun has been had the last few weeks here at Methodist Prep: Grandparent's Day celebrations, Teddy Bear picnics, our first Small Talk with Mrs. Carole, race car and pumpkin painting, and lots of playing in the gym to beat the heat! Our friends are learning and growing and settling into the groove of school. They certainly fill these halls with joy!



COMPASSION IN ACTION DRIVE

Helping local families in need ♥

During the month of September, Keeling Baptist Church, in coordination with other local churches will be collecting diaper + hygiene items to benefit the Tipton County Carl Perkins and Haywood County Carl Perkins centers.

Your donations will benefit
**THE CARL PERKINS
CENTER**
serving Tipton + Haywood Counties

DIAPER & BABY CARE ITEMS

- ♥ Diapers - All sizes
- ♥ Pull Ups
- ♥ Baby Wipes
- ♥ Diaper Cream
- ♥ Baby Wash + Lotion



COLLECTION BINS ARE LOCATED AT THE
HANDICAPPED ENTRANCE
& IN THE CLC LOBBY

FULL SIZE HYGIENE ITEMS

- ♥ Shampoo + Conditioner
- ♥ Soap + Body Wash
- ♥ Deodorant
- ♥ Feminine Hygiene Products
- ♥ Toothbrushes + Toothpaste
- ♥ Lotion
- ♥ Nail Clippers
- ♥ Hairbrushes + Hair Supplies



How can you help?

You can donate any of the items above to a participating church during the month of September!

**EVERY DONATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE
IN OUR COMMUNITY**

"Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth." ~1 John 3:18.



Wednesday evenings are more than just fun and games. It's a time to share love and spread joy! Firat United Methodist Church was well represented recently at Parkway Cove Assisted Living by our wonderful children and their awesome leaders. The children presented residents with cards and gifts and entertained them with several of their uplifting VBS songs.

 **COVINGTON FIRST
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

ANNUAL HALLOWEEN CANDY DRIVE!



PLEASE DONATE!

FACTORY-SEALED CANDY
INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED ITEMS
SUCKERS & GUMMIES

HELP US MAKE HALLOWEEN EXTRA SWEET!
for our Community

Collection Dates:

NOW - OCTOBER 30TH

DROP-OFF LOCATION:

Covington First UMC

CLC LOBBY

AND HANDICAP ENTRANCE

145 Church Street, Covington, TN 38019

COLLECTION HOURS:

MON-FRI | 9 AM - 4 PM

&

SUNDAY MORNINGS

JOIN OUR COSTUMES & CANDY!

HALLOWEEN NIGHT, OCT 31ST

6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Free & Family Friendly!

Questions? (901) 476-9694 | covingtonfirstumc.com

TRIBUTES & MEMORIALS



In Memory of **Janie Baxter Carloss**
Designated to the Operating Fund by Lee Price

In Memory of **Jeff Cooper**
Designated to the Operating Fund by Ted and Carolyn Turner

In Memory of **Lynda Ford**
Designated to the Operating Fund by Carolyn Locke
Designated to the Choir and Worship Fund by Kaye Smith
Designated to the Choir and Worship Fund by Ted and Carolyn Turner

In Memory of **Ken McCool**
Designated to the Landscaping Fund by Jim Baddour
Designated to the Education Building Renovation Fund by Tommy and Susan Cheairs
Designated to the Food Pantry Fund by Jerry and Wanda Creasy
Designated to the Operating Fund by Keith and Brenda Elzie
Designated to the Operating Fund by Carolyn Locke
Designated to the Altar Care Fund by Sandra Naifeh
Designated to the Operating Fund by Debbie Sater
Designated to the Good Samaritan Fund by Beverly Smith
Designated to the Operating Fund by Chad and Leigh Smith
Designated to the Choir and Worship Fund by Kaye Smith
Designated to the Education Building Renovation Fund by Ted and Carolyn Turner

In Memory of **Joe Naifeh**
Designated to the Landscaping Fund by Jim Baddour
Designated to the Altar Care Fund by Jerry and Wanda Creasy
Designated to the Operating Fund by Keith and Brenda Elzie
Designated to the Landscaping Fund by Giles Forbess
Designated to the Landscaping Fund by John and Marieda Holloway
Designated to the Landscaping Fund by Mary Kate Huffman
Designated to the Operating Fund by Carolyn Locke
Designated to the Operating Fund by Lee Price
Designated to the Operating Fund by Debbie Sater
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September 29 Eddie Daniel
Christopher David
September 30 Don Clark
October 2 Haley Henderson
Matthew Higgins
October 3 Keith Elzie
Gena Maury
October 5 Alexander Mitchell
Jennifer Winberry
Jones Allen Wooten
October 6 Jack Edwards
Turner Shrum
October 8 Shannon Beasley
Trace Griffin

October 9 Murphy Jones
October 10 Brenda Elzie
October 11 Molly Kate Phelps
October 13 Norma Beasley
October 16 Camille Burlison
Candace Cook
October 17 Gil Erwin
October 19 Chris Gangaware
October 21 Leah Gangaware
October 23 Jeffrey Bryant
Rhett Olesen
Jimmy Richardson
October 24 Mel Walton
October 27 Blair Brasfield
Graeson Carter
CH Sullivan
October 30 Dale Byrd
Molly Flanagan
October 31 Susan Sampson

GIVING & ATTENDANCE

September 13, 2026

In Person 8:30 service:	56
In Person 11:00 service:	78
Sunday School:	59
Facebook Views 8:30 service:	122
Facebook Views 11:00 service:	600
Offering:	\$4,512.00



September 20, 2026

In Person 8:30 service:	62
In Person 11:00 service:	63
Sunday School:	85
Facebook Views 8:30 service:	189
Facebook Views 11:00 service:	488
Offering:	\$2,276.00

Pray
WITH US

Physical Concerns

Evelyn Chapman
Jack Edwards
Conner Franklin
Beth Lakey
Gail Mann
Dale Mayfield
Judy McCool
Jon Benton Mize
Bettye Shelley
J.C. Thornton
Carolyn Turner
Dianne Williams

Undergoing Treatment for Cancer

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

Condolences

Family of Lynda Ford
Family of Joy Lynn Kimery Young

Event Calendar

Sunday, September 27:

- 8:30 AM: Modern Worship - Christian Life Center
- 9:45 AM: Sunday School
- 11:00 AM: Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
- 12:00 PM: Church Council Meeting - New Beginnings Room
- 2:00 PM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Monday, September 28:

- 10:00 AM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center
- 6:00 PM: Tipton County Chorus - Christian Life Center

Tuesday, September 29:

- 9:00 AM: Tipton County Line Dancers - Christian Life Center
- 4:00 PM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Wednesday, September 30:

- 5:30 PM: Children and Youth Activities- Christian Life Center/Education Building
- 6:00 PM: Choir Practice

Thursday, October 1:

- 7:00 AM: Men's Prayer Breakfast - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 AM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Saturday, October 3:

- 9:00 AM: Bread of Life Food Pantry, Covington
- 2:00 PM: Charge Conference at Millington First UMC

Sunday, October 4:

- 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, October 5:

- 10:00 AM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center
- 6:00 PM: Tipton County Chorus - Christian Life Center

Tuesday, October 6:

- 9:00 AM: Tipton County Line Dancers - Christian Life Center
- 4:00 PM: Pickleball - Christian Life Center

Wednesday, October 7:

- 5:30 PM: Children and Youth Activities - Christian Life Center/Education Building
- 6:00 PM: Choir Practice



WORSHIP TIMES

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

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

Happy Fall! It is a beautiful day to serve our Lord and our neighbor!

Volunteer opportunities are available with the Bread of Life Food Pantry.

To sign up to volunteer during the month of October click this link: volunteersignup.org/MCDCW

To sign up to volunteer during the month of November click this link: volunteersignup.org/H78MD

Please share these links with anyone that you feel might want to be a part of this community outreach ministry. As always, should you have any questions or concerns please reach out to Liz Newman at 901-476-9694 or lnewman@covingtonfumc.com.



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