

# CAPITAL CITY METHODIST



August 24, 2023

**Glorify God  
By  
Connecting People  
With  
Jesus Christ  
Through  
Spiritual Nourishment  
And  
Dynamic Outreach**



**FIRST UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH OF FRANKFORT**

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## ***Engage!***

### **What?**

An opportunity to:

engage with one another as a church community  
engage more deeply with God  
engage matters of prayer and church leadership

### **When & where?**

Sunday Evenings—September 10—October 15

5:00-5:45 pm Supper in Asbury Hall

(\$8 13 & up, \$5 5-12, free 4 & under, \$2 per family)

5:45-7:00 pm Small Groups

### **SMALL GROUP OPTIONS**

**Children:** *Learning to Live Like Jesus*—with Rev. Tonya Kenner, April Trent, Pattie Blythe, and Nicole Young in the Susanna Room; Bible stories of Jesus' life with crafts and lots of interactive activities to learn about Jesus' life, leadership and love.

**Youth:** First Spark Youth with Cameron Kenner in the Lighthouse

### **Adults (choose one):**

*Great Prayers of the Christian Faith* with Revs. Jack Brewer and Richard Smith in the Sanctuary; This six-week focus will be first on The Lord's Prayer, and then, as sessions allow, introductory insights on The Serenity Prayer. The resource will be Rev. Smith's book, *Great Prayers of the Christian Faith*. Copies can be purchased for \$15 with all proceeds going to our GAP Ministry, and can be picked up in the church office or available at the first session.

*Canoeing the Mountains* with Rev. Tom Corum in Asbury Hall; What does effective church leadership look like in a rapidly changing world? We will share in a study and discussion of *Canoeing the Mountains: Christian Leadership in Uncharted Territory* by Tod Bolsinger. Copies can be purchased for \$15 and can be picked up in the church office.

### **Who?**

You, of course! And invite a friend!

### **Why?**

Because we need God and one another.

Because we're hungry for physical and spiritual food.

Because we can!

### ***Hope to see you there!***

We are looking for volunteers to cook dinner for the Engage series on Sunday nights from September 10 through October 15<sup>th</sup>. If you, your Sunday School class, or group are interested in helping out, please contact Ashli Watts (859-967-7587 or [awatts@kychamber.com](mailto:awatts@kychamber.com)).

## Go, 4<sup>th</sup>! Documentary on Climate Crisis

Our Go, 4<sup>th</sup> August 28 event will be a presentation of "The Letter," a documentary based on Pope Francis' response to the climate crisis. We meet in Asbury Hall at 4 for the documentary followed by a time for discussion. We will finish by 6:00. All ages are invited but child care can be requested by contacting Rev. Tonya Kenner. Here is a link for a preview of this powerful film: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l3EBHebH17Y>.

Our October 23 Go, 4<sup>th</sup> is our annual potluck and Halloween Party at Happy Jack's. All ages are invited to join the fun with the meal at 5:00. Come early and get a pumpkin. Children are invited to wear costumes and enjoy the games provided by First Spark Youth.

## Women's Bible Study on James

Our fall Bible study begins on Thursday, September 7 at 10 in the Todd House Wood Parlor. Rev. Tonya Kenner will lead the video and discussion of "Thrive: Living Faithfully in Difficult Times." Workbooks for this six-week study by Jennifer Cowart are available in the church office for \$11.

## Caring for Parents on August 24

Our Caring for Parents support group meets monthly with the next meeting on Thursday, August 24, at 7:00p.m. You can meet in person or through Zoom as we encourage and support each other through the journey of parenting our parents.

## Bereavement Committee

Brenda Rue and Rosie Doerting co-chair our Church Bereavement Committee, which offers a light meal or simple reception to families who use our church for a funeral / Celebration of Life. The church offers this as a way for families and friends to come together after a service to eat and reminisce in a relaxed, familiar setting. It can take some stress off the family to know the church is providing this food for family and guests.

After the family meets with church staff, information is relayed to Rosie and Brenda regarding the type of reception they would like to have. They, in turn, contact volunteers. Church members or friends of the family have been willing to help provide the food as well as serve the food and help clean up. Meals consist of finger foods or simple fare, mostly cold foods because of varying times of services. Sandwiches, or something that can be purchased (like ham or chicken fingers), sides, desserts, and tea/coffee are usually served.

If you are interested in helping with this committee, please contact Brenda Rue (502-319-3808), Rosie Doerting (502-229-0679) or the church office (502-227-7430).



The United Methodist will meet on Monday, September 11, due to the the Labor Day holiday. Rev. Richard Smith will speak to the group about the church's GAP program and Karen Nance is cooking. Supper is at 6 p.m. in Asbury Hall of the Wesley Center. All men are welcome.

## Your Advent Devotions Wanted!

Once again, FUMC will produce an advent devotional booklet filled with inspiring, encouraging, entertaining, engaging stories written by ... you! The official Call for Submissions will go out next month, but it's not too early to start thinking about the stories and memories you'd like to share with your church family. Questions? Contact Ginny Smith at 801-647-9474 (text or voice) or email [VirginiaSmithAuthor@gmail.com](mailto:VirginiaSmithAuthor@gmail.com).



### Financial Report

Giving through 8/13/2023	\$486,205
Needed to meet Budget	\$631,852
Mortgage Balance	\$1,291,149

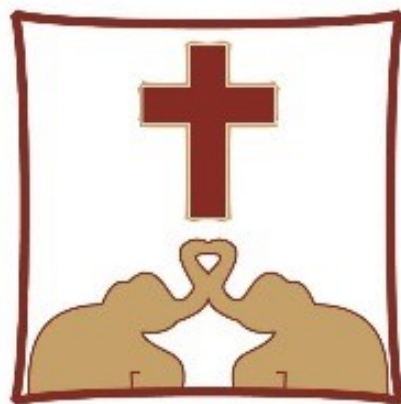
## Ladies of all ages – Save the date – Tuesday, August 29

Ladies don't forget our **picnic and GAP shower, Tuesday, August 29**. We will meet at **Cove Spring Park at 6:00 pm**, the shelter has been reserved. Meat and drinks will be provided, we are counting on you to bring casseroles, salads, or desserts. **This event is open to all women in the church, whether or not you are an active member of United Women in Faith, and whether you are young, middle-aged, or a "golden oldie."** We hope some of our pre-teens and teenagers will come, and perhaps they can enrich our meeting with some stories from their mission trip to Oklahoma. If you aren't able to come to the picnic, but want to contribute, bring your items to the church office or to the Wesley Center sometime in August.

Here are some suggestions of what is needed, and we have divided the list by ages so that we don't all bring the same things:

- If you are 25 and under – and we would love to see some of our younger gals, teenagers and younger  
Miscellaneous: plastic wrap, aluminum foil, waxed paper, quart and gallon plastic bags, small storage containers, shower curtain hooks
- If you are 26-45  
Cleaning Supplies: spray cleaner, dish liquid, sponges, broom, dust cloth, paper towels, dish towels (dish cloths will be provided by First Needles) garbage can, garbage bags, toilet bowl brush
- If you are 46 - 60  
Cooking Utensils: spatula, potato masher, paring knife, measuring spoons, measuring cup, manual can opener, soup ladle or large spoon, small cookie/biscuit pan, 1-1/2 – 2 quart pan, 8-10" skillet, pot holders, salt and pepper shakers
- If you are 61 and over  
Dishes: Plates, soup/cereal bowls, cups (mugs) – 4 each, glasses – 6  
Silverware: knives, forks, spoons – 4 each, 2 serving spoons  
Other: baking dish, small/medium size mixing bowl
- For anyone - extras: Bible, basic cookbook, clock radio, small table lamp

## Thailand Now Missionaries Coming to FUMC on August 27, 2023



**Thailand**  
*Now*

Sherri and Mike Morrissey, who are beginning their 19<sup>th</sup> year of missionary service, will offer an updated description of their work in Thailand during both worship services at FUMC on August 27, 2023. The primary programs of Thailand Now include the Blessing Home Centers, the Abundant Life Financial Training Program, and the Global Theological Institute. However, since the Morrisseys believe that "EVERYONE needs Jesus," their primary work is spreading the gospel. During their time in Thailand, they've planted 98 churches, and that work continues.

If you want to prepare for their visit by checking out their blog, simply go to [ThailandNow.org](http://ThailandNow.org). The information provided is easy to access and includes how to donate to their ministry, including an address here in Kentucky.

Please mark your calendar to come greet and hear the Morrisseys. They will joyfully share stories, update us on recent church plantings, and offer thanks for our church's continued support. We who know them and their ministry believe you will count their visit as a Sunday morning well spent.

## September Birthdays

1	Mary Doris Steve Pewitt	19	Bryce Burton
2	Sheila Burnett	20	Jordan Criswell Stephanie West
3	Paul Kenner	21	Benjamin Rempfer
4	Libbie Drake John Norfleet	22	Nancy Atcher Matthew Clements Jack Gilbert Sam Gilbert Michael Lewis
5	Yvonne Bailey		
7	Kaylne Boyles Grace Higgs Kelly Neal Phillip Shepherd	23	Tracey Doyle
8	Emily Clouse Malicote Phyllis Hail Randy Tillet	24	Carrie Bass Joseph Gaddis Caroline Powell Evan Ramey Bethany Smith
9	Shirley Norfleet	25	Keith Goins Connor Hanson Katherine Woolums
10	Vivien Kurtz Ramona Ramey	26	Phillip Lee Michael Sebastian
13	Scotty Tracy	27	Christina Huntington Whitney Lawson
14	Mike Boyles Melody Stephenson D.J. Wasson	28	Rita West Renee Thomas
15	Katie Smith Jaida Snow Eric Wayman	29	Tom Barbour Susan Buffin Samantha Criswell Merle Hansen Bill Salyers Jenny Salyers Josh Toppass James Harry Wilson
16	Betty Connor Zach Criswell Janice Osborne		
17	David Abney Ann Estill Houston Hancock Betty Troutwine Zachary Wasson		



## Remember our Elderly and Shut-ins

Martha Bowers	The Morning Pointe, 68 C Michael Davenport Blvd #110
Robert & Patty Capito	Ashwood Place, 102 Leonardwood Drive, Apt. 119
Bill Corum	The Dominion Room, 122 Leonardwood Drive, #162
Ani Gannone	7205 US Hwy 127N, Frankfort 40601
Mike Gill	Ashwood Place, 102 Leonardwood Dr., Apt. 237
Joan Goins	The Dominion, 122 Leonardwood Dr., #162
Betty Gray	303 Strathmore Drive
Polly Green	Ashwood Place, 102 Leonardwood Drive, #108
Phyllis Hail	The Masonic Home, , Frankfort
Charles Hungate, Jr/ Sr	125 Lindenwood Lane
Leanna Kinman	The Dominion, 122 Leonardwood Dr. #241
Joyce Nally	Sayre Christian Village Friendship Bldg., 3775 Belleau Wood Dr., Lexington
Bill Kendall	Morning Pointe, 233 Ruccio Dr. Room 509, Lexington, 40503
Shirley Lewis	Morning Pointe, 68 C. Michael Davenport Blvd., Room 111
Carol Marshall	Morning Pointe, 68 C. Michael Davenport Blvd., Room 138
Paul & Betty McNees	114 Nicklaus Drive
Wanda Meeks	1010 Arapaho Trail
Shirley Middleton	4 Tanner Court
Ron Sheets	Morning Pointe, 233 Ruccio Way, Lexington, KY 40503
Betty Isaac Smith	Morning Pointe, 68 C. Michael Davenport Blvd., Apt. 139
Betty Sublett	The Dominion Senior Living, 122 Leonardwood #233
Charles Wade	The Dominion, 122 Leonardwood Dr., Room 152, Frankfort
Jan Wahrer	The Dominion, 122 Leonardwood Dr.
Charlyne Whitcomb	434 Nootka
Cleland White	Home Place @ Midway, 101 Sexton Way, Midway, 40347
Iris Winkler	Ashwood Place, 102 Leonardwood Drive, #140



## Come to Sunday School and Check Out Our Renovated Rooms!

A BIG thank you to everyone who pitched in to renovate the eight Sunday School rooms on the first floor of the Wesley Center. These rooms were vacated by the Wesley Center Day School at the end of May.

A team of church members got to work in June. We sorted childcare items, saving those our church could use in the future. Regional childcare facilities bought furniture and supplies, and we sent the rest to the Mountain Mission. *Many* thanks to Jana Sturm for leading this effort and to all those who helped with the first step toward restoring the first-floor rooms of the Wesley Center.

By mid-June, another team of dedicated church members began the hard work of cleaning, repairing and restoring each room. Carpets were cleaned. Walls, doors, cabinetry, furniture and windows were washed. Stickers, packing tape, staples, paint and blobs of hot glue were removed. Walls were patched and repainted. Ceiling tiles and grids that had been damaged with wall paint were painted with a stain killing paint.

In a companion project, repairs were made to the ceiling and ceiling tiles on the second floor.

This week, the vinyl floors in the whole building are being stripped and rewaxed. The entire first floor is fresh and clean and our Wesley Center is ready to meet the needs of our church.

The restoration effort was done lovingly by church members who donated both time and resources to accomplish it. Volunteers bought the paint and cleaners. They came and worked quietly every day for over a month to restore our beautiful building. Although there are a few last details to complete, the project is essentially complete, and we can all be proud to attend Sunday School in these rooms and welcome visitors to our church.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! to Marla Smaltz, Jim Surbek, Debbie and Lindsey Briggs, Elsie and Leon Townsend, Julia Hughes, Phil Plant, Corky Herbert, Charles and Valorie Smith, Mary Pat and Scott Hankla, Paul Maurer, Rosie Doerting, Jana Sturm, Roy Nance, Ron Alvis, Mary Pat Dobbins, Joe and Abbie Meyer. Blessings to *everyone* who volunteered to get this project done!



### A Reception for Greg and Melissa Hardison

Please join us for a reception on **August 27th** immediately following the 11:00 service in the **Gallery Hall** as we honor **Greg and Missy Hardison**! After **10 years** of serving as our wonderful youth directors, they are stepping down and passing the baton to Cameron Kenner. Let's thank them for their years of faithfully serving and mentoring our youth!

## Beautiful Life Art Exhibit in Gallery Hall

Thirty two paintings by Tona Barkley are now hanging in the Gallery of the Wesley Center. This is part of our on-going mission to introduce the Frankfort/Franklin County community to local artists. The exhibit will be up through September.



### *About the artist in her own words:*

I have always loved to draw and paint people, and I have always loved modernism, which distorted and mangled the human image and put it back together in crazy ways and with wild coloration. I fell in love with early modern painting way back in the Sixties, when I went to college in New York State and began spending every spare moment in New York City museums.

All my years of observing have fed my artwork, and my muse refuses to stay in one box. Each year, I do a few realistic, commissioned portraits (including the official portrait of Kentucky Supreme Court Justice Janet Stumbo, which hangs in the State Capitol), but I also play around with expressive ways of depicting figures. Because my husband and I play music, we and our musician friends loom large in my work, and we have used my paintings on two of our CD covers. Paintings also spring from photos of family members, on and off the beach, another favorite. I have used a folk art style in a few paintings, and lately I have begun exploring both landscape and abstraction.

My insatiable desire to learn leads me to keep exploring different techniques, art history and contemporary art, to know more and press forward in new ways. Painting, for me, is a process of discovery, and after a painting is done, it is hard to remember the steps, layers, experiments and micro-decisions that brought it to completion. Ultimately, it is a mystery, and that is what drives me to make more art.

Prints of my work are available at [tonabarkley.com](http://tonabarkley.com). Follow me on Facebook (Tona Barkley Fine Art) and Instagram ([tonabarkley](https://www.instagram.com/tonabarkley)).



# Free



## CPR/AED class

### Fundraising event for Honduras Medical/Dental Mission Trip

Donations  
Appreciated

Frankfort First United Methodist Church  
Savanah Room  
211 Washington Street  
Frankfort, KY

### Sunday October 15, 2023 2:00-5:00pm



For registration  
Call/Text  
419-283-1499  
or email  
[HealthandSafetyArl@gmail.com](mailto:HealthandSafetyArl@gmail.com)

## Sympathy

Our sympathy to Rev. Tonya Jennings Kenner and family in the death of her mother, **Connie Jennings**, on July 25. Connie was the widow of former Frankfort First pastor, Rev. Billy Ray Jennings. A memorial for Connie is Friday, September 1, at noon in the sanctuary of FUMC with visitation from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m.

Our condolences to Betty Ratliff in the death of her husband, Bob, on August 13.

## Births

Congratulations to Kelly and Paige Burton Barnes on the birth of Caroline Scott Barnes on July 26. The happy grandparents are Greg and Jill Burton.

Congratulations to Colby and Ali Higgs Myers on the August 8 birth of Stella Mae.



## Wedding

Congratulations to Grace Higgs and Blake Boyd on their June 17 wedding.



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**Rev. Tom Corum**

- *Pastor*

**Tonya Kenner**

- *Minister of Christian Education*

**Josh Golden**

- *Director of Music and Worship*

**Chris Powell**

- *Director of Contemporary Worship*

**Roy Nance**

- *Organist*

**Greg & Melissa Hardison**

- *Youth Directors*

**Jessica Tillett**

- *Administrative Assistant*

**Diana Gregory**

- *Newsletter Editor*

*Dear Church:*

*As I am sure most of you are aware, the front elevator has not been working for a number of weeks. The hydraulic line running from the elevator machine room, located in the basement, to the front elevator has sprung a leak. This requires the line to be replaced.*

*Since the leaking hydraulic line is located underground it creates two problems.*

*One, the existing line is difficult to remove and replace.*

*Two, our insurance company will not cover the cost of repair.*

*One of reasons it has taken so long is that we submitted a claim to our insurance company and as of last week the claim was rejected.*

*The cost of running a new hydraulic line from the machine room to the front elevator is \$28,400. The new line will be run above the first-floor ceiling.*

*The elevator needs to be working. As of now everyone with a need is using the rear elevator. This makes it difficult for people with disabilities to access the second floor.*

*Please note that this is not a budgeted expense. The Trustees have authorized this work because it is necessary and hopefully the work can proceed soon. Any support for this project would be greatly appreciated.*

*Trustee Chair  
Joe*