



Fairview United Methodist Church • Maryville, Tennessee
August 19 – August 25, 2018

From the Pastor's Desk

As our denomination approaches The Called Session of The General Conference of The United Methodist Church on February 23 - 26, 2019, I have had a number of books recommended to me as a pastor, mostly by other pastors, who like myself want to make sure we understand what is before us and can faithfully articulate the issues facing us to those in our congregations. While I have strong convictions about our future, I also want to be well informed. So, I've read five books, and the 90+ page report of The Commission on The Way Forward to The Council of Bishops, over the last two months. The direct link for the Commission's report is below:

http://s3.amazonaws.com/Website_Properties/council-of-bishops/news_and_statements/documents/Way_Forward_Report_-_Final_-_ENGLISH.pdf

Here's what has been on my reading list (All are short reads requiring 3-4 hours each.):

"Living Faithfully: Human Sexuality and The United Methodist Church."

"Unity of the Church and Human Sexuality: Toward a Faithful United Methodist Witness."

"Unafraid and Unashamed: Facing the Future of United Methodism." By Will Cantrell (a UMC pastor in Knoxville)

"A Firm Foundation: Hope and Vision For A New Methodist Future."

"Are We Really Better Together? An Evangelical Perspective on the Division in the UMC." By Rob Renfroe and Walter Fenton.

Each of these books is a good read in their own respect. If you are interested in understanding better where The United Methodist Church finds itself, let me recommend three of the books. I suggest "Living Faithfully" because it seeks to provide some of the background that got us to this place. I suggest "A Firm Foundation" because the writers seek to provide a Wesleyan understanding of some of the major doctrines unique to who we are. And I recommend "Are We Really Better Together?" The latter also describes where we find ourselves, and recommends a path for our future. All five of the above books relate to the three recommendations found in The Commission On A Way Forward 90+ page report.

In order for Fairview UMC, or any United Methodist congregation to faithfully discern its response, I believe diligent prayer, searching the Scriptures, and reading texts like the above is essential. I do ask that you pray with others across our denomination, for our denomination, and The Called Session of The General Conference to be held in February 2019. Because the dates of The General Conference are 2/23 - 2/26; we are asked to pray daily either early morning or mid-afternoon from 2:23- 2:26 from now until then.

With my love and prayers for you,
Pastor Mickey

P.S. This Sunday as we worship together, we will be wrapping up the sermon series: "Childlike Faith." I look forward to worshipping with you on Sunday.

FUMC "By the Numbers" Week of Aug 12, 2018

Sunday Worship Attendance:

8:30 am	11 am- Main Campus	11 am- Remedy	6 pm- Evening	Total
308	315	110	27	760

*watching the service online 8/12 – 38

2018 Annual Operating Budget:	\$1,701,261.74
Contributions Received This Week:	\$38,350.45
Missions Special Offerings - August Communion:	\$245.00
Operating Budget Contributions Received YTD:	\$932,822.30
2018 Building Loan with TVA CU as of 08/14/2018	\$186,029.54
Building Fund Contributions Received This Week:	\$640.00
Other Designated Funds Received This Week:	\$11,147.40

Calling All Prayer Warriors

Do you have a heart for prayer? If so, we need you! We are beginning to create a churchwide prayer chain. We know that Sunday Schools, Small Groups and others have prayer chains in place. This would be for the requests we have that come in asking to be placed on a chain. If this sounds like something you would want to be a part of, please pray over it and email Yvonne **BY TODAY** at yshelgren@fairview-umc.org. We will have a short meeting with everyone and then roll out this new ministry on September 1.

For questions or concerns see Yvonne or Rev. Gilbert.

Schedule of Events

Sunday, August 19, 2018

8:30 AM	Worship
9:45 AM	Sunday School
9:45 AM	Discovery Class
11:00 AM	Worship - Remedy campus
11:00 AM	Worship
3:00 PM	Safe Sanctuaries Training
3:00 PM	Faithful Men
4:00 PM	Church Council
5:15 PM	Youth Worship
6:00 PM	Worship

Monday, August 20, 2018

8:30 AM	Learning Tree Preschool
10:00 AM	Tabitha Knitters
12:00 PM	Ladies A.A. Meeting at Remedy
6:15 PM	McCurry Bible Study

Tuesday, August 21, 2018

6:00 AM	Mom's Prayer Group
8:30 AM	Learning Tree Preschool
9:30 AM	Ladies' Bible Study

Wednesday, August 22, 2018

8:30 AM	Learning Tree Preschool
9:00 AM	Food Pantry + Clothes Closet
11:00 AM	Pastor's Bible Study
6:00 PM	Awana Clubs
6:00 PM	Dream New Dreams Group
6:00 PM	Orchestra
6:15 PM	Jr High Bible Study
6:15 PM	Pastor's Bible Study
6:30 PM	Worship Choir
6:30 PM	Compelled
8:00 PM	Sr High Bible Study

Thursday, August 23, 2018

6:30 AM	Men's Bible Study
8:30 AM	Learning Tree Preschool
10:00 AM	Quilting A205
10:00 AM	Beginner Flexibility and Balance
4:30 PM	Flexibility and Balance
6:30 PM	Pickle Ball

Friday, August 24, 2018

7:00 PM	Ladies A.A. Meeting at Remedy
7:00 PM	A.A. Meeting A203

Saturday, August 25, 2018

NO EVENTS SCHEDULED

Keenagers: Noah's Ark Trip on September 20 – The largest timber-frame structure is 510-feet long, seven stories high, and is an exact replica of Noah's Ark according to the book of Genesis. This beautiful piece of architecture is filled with state-of-the-art exhibitions relevant to the true story of Noah and the flood. Tickets are \$40 prepaid. The bus leaves church at 8:00 am and est. return time is 10:00 pm. There will be a lunch stop on the way.

Contact: Mary Hazel Fugate 987-6211.



Wesleyan Covenant Association (Holston Chapter)

For those interested in knowing more about the Wesleyan Covenant Association, there will be an informational meeting on Thursday, August 23, at 6:00 p.m., at First UMC, Sevierville (in the sanctuary). First UMC Sevierville, is located at 214 Cedar Street, Sevierville, TN 37862.

The Holston chapter of the WCA will have its first official meeting Saturday, August 25 for individual members and member churches. The meeting will be at Glen Alpine UMC in **Kingsport, Tenn. Registration will be at noon, and we'll begin our time of worship and discernment at 1 p.m.** We should conclude in plenty of time for all Holston attendees to return home by early Saturday evening at the latest. Glen Alpine UMC is located at 3200 Glen Alpine Road in Kingsport, convenient from both Interstate 81 and Interstate 26.

The Wesleyan Covenant Association connects Spirit-filled, orthodox churches of Wesleyan theology and their members.

We believe change is coming and as we live into what comes next, the Wesleyan Covenant Association will connect, encourage, and resource clergy, laity, congregations, regional chapters, and bishops by:

- Committing to the authority of Scripture and the Lordship of Jesus Christ.
- **Creating a unified response to the Bishops' Commission's recommendation while maintaining orthodox Methodist beliefs.**
- Developing a plan for a positive and faithful future.

Directory Photos are this weekend! If you have any questions or need to confirm your appointment time, please contact:

Olivia Massingill at omassingill@fairview-umc.org

or (865) 983-2080 ext. 106

Note from the Kitchen!! All of us are fortunate to have nice tablecloths for use when we need them. However, please be sure they are clean and folded and in the containers when you are finished. We want to be sure the next person has them ready to go. Also, there are several dishes in the small dining room and some in the kitchen to be picked. You may need them again soon. Thanks.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
SUNDAY, August 19, 2018
4:00 p.m. Room A203

Call To Order – Mark Ross

Opening Devotion and Prayer – Mickey Rainwater

Review Minutes of June 24, 2018

Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report – Tonya Bushnell

Board of Trustees – James Bond

Staff Parish Relations Committee – Bryan Cable

Missions Committee – Mark Talley

Finance Committee – Mike Zorio

Recommendation regarding Learning Tree Program

Executive Director Report

Staff Reports (As needed)

Other:

*District At Large Delegate to The Annual Conference

*Recommendation to the Delegation of The Holston Annual Conference to The Called Session of The General Conference (February 23-26, 2019), regarding The Report of The Commission On A Way Forward.

Next Meeting(s):

September 16 (As needed)

October 21 (Budget Presentation)

November 18

Closing Prayer:

Church Council Member:

Chair, Mark Ross

Lay Leader, Alice Johnston

Finance Chair, Mike Zorio

Treasurer, Tonya Bushnell

Membership Care, Ellen Wright

UMW, Jane Chadwick & Mary Ann Yoakum

Lay Members of The Annual Conference: Alice Johnston & David Norton

Secretary, Millie Stout

SPRC Chair, Bryan Cable

Trustees Chair, James Bond (or Melanie Reese)

Missions Chair, Mark Talley

UMY, Eli Tate & Reagan Peters

Special Events, Barbara Plisko

At-Large- Members of the Council:

Jennifer Pesterfield

Brad Klena

Mark Ross, Chair

Chuck Tenpenny

Chris Gildrie

UT Brooks

Tom Slawson

Gladys Waters

Collin Bond

Jaclyn Johnson

Kelli Phillips

Scott Goodson

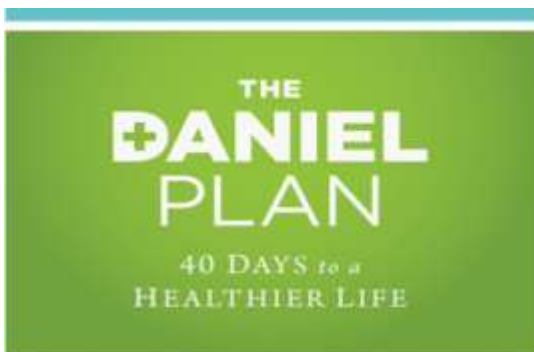
Save the Date

Ladies Tea Time

September 29, 2018

2-4 PM

More information to follow



You're invited to join us!

Join us for a 6-week series called

The Daniel Plan – 40 Days to a Healthier Life.

The Daniel Plan is a Biblically based approach to achieving a healthy lifestyle; it is both transformational and sustainable. The Daniel Plan is centered on five essentials that will guarantee your success: faith, food, fitness, focus, and friends.

So, are you ready to revolutionize your health once and for all?

Introductory Meeting: Thursday, Aug 30, at 7pm.

In Gladius Classroom A-203 at FUMC

Coordinator: Janet Crane (865-984-9800)

Contact information: dpfumc@gmail.com

The Daniel Plan is a 6-week study. We will meet in the Gladius classroom, A-203, every Thursday, Sept 6th - October 11th at 7:00pm.

www.danielplan.com

Fall Family Mission Events

September 15 - Raising a Voice Work Day

October 13 - Serving Our Homebound

November 17 - Serving Our Homebound

Our Family Mission Events are designed for the whole family to get involved. These are great opportunities to serve together and grow together!

Be sure you sign up, today! For more information contact:

Jimmy Manis at jmanis@fairview-umc.org or (865) 983-2080 Ext. 117.



Wednesdays - Age 18-26

Starts August 22

Remedy Campus Coffee

Shop at 6:30

The Compelled Ministry at Fairview UMC is a group of young people ages 18-26. We work to connect people to Jesus and one another. Whether you work, go to school, or are just figuring life out, we want to be a ministry where young people belong and have a voice in the world around them.

We love connecting young people to authentic, disciple-making communities. We hope to encourage everyone to uncover who they are meant to be and the mission God has for their lives. It is our greatest desire that every person discover life in Jesus and what it means to live as Jesus did.



Are you a people person? Do you love to help others? If you answered “yes” to these questions then we need you! We are working on giving our “Welcome Desk” a makeover.

Step One is creating two shifts on Sunday morning- 8-10am and 10am-12pm. We would like enough volunteers so you would only do a two hour shift once a quarter! This is the hub of Sunday mornings, anyone needing information or help comes here so it's such an important ministry.

If you are interested in being a part of the change please email Yvonne at yshelgren@fairview-umc.org or call 865-983-2080. Thank you!

Pastors' Bible Study

Pastor Mickey and Pastor Gilbert are **teaching from Paul's** letters to Timothy and Titus. The study will take place each Wednesday, from Aug 15 - Dec 5, and will cover 1 Timothy,

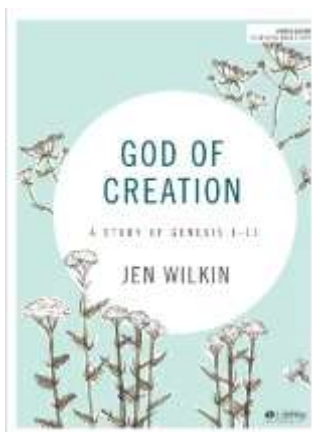


2 Timothy, and Titus. The class will meet in Room A203, and is offered both as a Wednesday morning (11:00 a.m.), and Wednesday evening (6:15 p.m.) class each week.

Fall Bible Studies

The world has always been full of trials, disappointments, temptations, fractured friendships, and **financial hardships**. Yet Paul's letter to the Philippians claims we can discover contentment and joy in the midst of it all by prioritizing what matters most —

Christ. Over 7 sessions, study the ever-relevant Letter of Philippians to deepen your relationship with Jesus, turn your worries into worship, and develop gospel-centered tools for navigating relational conflict and thriving in Christian love. Tina Spannbauer will be facilitating this study on Tuesday mornings at 9:30. The study began on August 14. To reserve a book, contact Yvonne at yshelgren@fairview-umc.org.



Over 10 sessions of verse-by-verse study, dive into the first 11 chapters of Genesis by following three critical stages of understanding: comprehension, interpretation, and application. Teaching videos are key in understanding this study. Revisit familiar stories and historical figures, challenge your basic knowledge, and discover deeper meanings in the text. As God reveals Himself through Scripture, we can only begin to understand ourselves when we first glimpse the character, attributes, and promises of our Creator.

Barbara Thompson will be facilitating this study on Monday nights, starting September 10. The group will meet at 6:15 in Room A203.

To reserve a book, contact Yvonne at yshelgren@fairview-umc.org.

Why her? How many times have you asked yourself that question?

How many times have you felt like you couldn't measure up no matter how hard you tried? We've all been there. Over 6 sessions, uncover truths you need to arm yourself with when combatting comparison by studying the biblical account of Rachel & Leah. Learn to be content without becoming complacent, and discover godly wisdom to quiet the incessant *Why Her?* question in your head. Develop greater awareness of your insecurities, and learn to stop the lies in their tracks. Because **the truth will set you free, and free women don't have to measure up to anyone. Not even her.**



Jennifer Kirst will be facilitating this study on Tuesday nights beginning September 11 at 6:15pm in the Remedy Coffee Shop.

To reserve a book, contact Yvonne at yshelgren@fairview-umc.org.



AUGUST

15th: AWANA Begins, 6-7:30 PM

19th: Safe Sanctuary Training & Refresher Course , 3:00 PM

26th: Fusion Social @ Crest Bowling Lanes, 2:30-4:30 PM

SAFE SANCTUARY Training & Refresher Courses

August 19th, 3:00 PM

- ◆ Refresher:

Room B-222 (second floor of B Wing)

- ◆ 1st Time Training:

Room A-123 (Past elevator of A Wing)



We are in need of more “heroes” to help with Awana Clubs on Wednesday nights for all age groups.

WE NEED:

-LEADERS: A Leader is a child’s main mentor in club who helps kids pass their nightly bible verses during Handbook Time, cheers them on at Game Time, and encourages them during Large Group Time. [Current needs for Preschool ages and younger Elem. ages \(K-2nd grades\).](#)

-LISTENERS: [\(only takes 20 minutes\).](#) A Listener assists leaders by hearing kids recite verses they’ve studied during Handbook Time. Only a 20 minute commitment and you’re done! [Sign up to serve once per month or weekly.](#)

Contact Melisa Douzart at 865.983.2080 ext. 111



For Ages 2 up to 6th Grade

WEDNESDAYS 6-7:30pm

Where kids will experience games, snacks and learn God’s Word by heart. Join the FUN!!



Ages 2-3



Ages 3-5



Grades K-2



Grades 3-6