



# Messenger

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***PATRIOTIC CELEBRATION***  
***Presented by the Chancel Choir***

***SUNDAY – JULY 3***  
***11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE***

*Please join us as we **celebrate America!** We gather together to declare the joy of **our independence!** We gather together to **give thanks for blessings** beyond imagination! We gather together to **honor our veterans, past and present,** who have protected and defended **our freedom!***

*As we celebrate today, we are grateful for our many blessings, and pray that God will continue to watch over this great land, the United States of America!*

*Our regular Contemporary service will be at 9 a.m.*



**SUNDAY, JULY 3**

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service  
9:50 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
**PATRIOTIC MUSIC PROGRAM**

**MONDAY, JULY 4**

*Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July!*  
Church office closed

**SATURDAY, JULY 2**

9-12 noon Methodist Market



- 5. Chat Phillips
- 6. Maddie Canard



***Congratulations to Maggie & Trace Lane on the birth of their daughter **Lowe Louise Lane**, who was born June 27, 2022. Proud grandparents are Mike and Allison Hughes.***

*Sympathy and love is extended to Jack Robinson in the death of his grandfather, Eugene Black Robinson, who died June 26, 2022.*



***Jeanne Parker***

Mr. & Mrs. Jim Oakes  
Mr. & Mrs. Jack Varner  
Frank M. Patty

**Back to School for Foster Children**

From July 1-17, we will be collecting money and school supplies for our county's foster children. Financial contributions will be used for school clothes. Checks may be payable to FUMC with "Foster Children" in the memo line.

The following items may be dropped off in the containers in the Fellowship Hall:

- Backpacks
- Loose-leaf paper
- pencils
- single and multi-subject notebooks
- Crayola brand crayons
- Crayola brand markers
- School box
- Tissue
- Clorox wipes
- folders
- highlighters

**Update:**

One of our foster children, who is an honor roll student, is working at Walmart and plans to attend Mississippi State in 2023.

Another foster child got a job at McDonalds and rides her bike to and from work. She plans on opening a savings account and is working towards getting her driver's license.

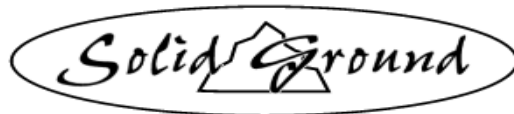
If you have any questions, please contact Allison Hughes (571-4964).

## Hiskidz and Bible in Life

This Sunday we will begin a new series, **Talking with God**. In our lesson, "Prayers Anywhere," we will be talking about Jesus' teaching on prayer. The scripture comes from Matthew 6:9-13 and teaches us the way Jesus taught us to pray.



**Thank You! Thank You!**  
Thank you so much to Julie and De Paul for hosting a *Day of Patriotic Fun* on Tuesday, June 28<sup>th</sup>. We had a super gigantic waterslide, water games, popsicles, snacks, and lots of fun.



### Sunday School

Our lesson this week, "Focusing on Praise," comes from the book of 1 Chronicles 29, and is about a prayer that David wrote after his son was killed while trying to overthrow the throne. This lesson takes us through the prayer that David wrote. Though he lost a son, David still found a way to focus on praise to God. This is a reminder for us to always remember to praise God, even in the middle of our storms.

### Lake Junaluska/M28 Camp

M28 Camp at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina is July 8-11. We will be leaving on Thursday, July 7, and traveling to Cleveland TN. On Friday morning, our group will raft the Ocoee River before arriving to M28 Camp in Lake Junaluska, NC. Please be in prayer for our youth and chaperones as we have this time away to unplug and focus on our relationship with God. Please pray for safe travels to and from camp. We will be traveling home on Monday, July 11.

## Sunday, July 3, 2022

Greeters	Diane Vaughan/Phil & Sharon Nichols
Scripture	Galatians 5:13-18
Sermon	<b>“Called to Be Free”</b>
Flowers	Lettie Terrell

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS

### JULY

<b>3. 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</b>	<b>Luke 10:1-11, 16-20</b>
4. The King of Glory	Psalm 24
5. Give a good measure	Luke 6:36-38
6. Harvest of righteousness	James 3:13-18
7. A standard for judgment	Amos 7:7-17
8. God’s judgment on injustice	Psalm 82
9. A prayer for wisdom	Colossians 1:1-14