



The Connection

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Millington United Methodist Church

Our Mission: To Know Christ, and to Make Him Known

June Scripture Readings

1. Psalm 86:5
2. Ecclesiastes 3:1
3. 1 Thessalonians 5:11
4. Romans 10:10
5. Psalm 119:114
6. Phillipians 4:4
7. Joshua 1:9
8. Psalm 55:22
9. Psalm 103:11
10. 1 Peter 5:10
11. Proverbs 3:5
12. 1 John 2:17
13. 1 Corinthians 2:9
14. Hebrews 1:3
15. Romans 13:10
16. Romans 15:13
17. Matthew 6:2
18. Isaiah 43:2
19. Psalm 34:13
20. Hebrews 4:16
21. Proverbs 15:1
22. Psalm 3:3
23. Genesis 8:22
24. Titus 2:7
25. Psalm 143:10
26. Romans 8: 38-39
27. 1 Chronicles 29:11
28. Isaiah 41:13
29. Galatians 5:13
30. Isaiah 55:12

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JUNE HOLIDAYS

3-National Egg Day
 7-National Donut Day (1st Friday)
 6-National Yo-yo Day
 8-National Best Friend's Day
 11-National German Chocolate Cake Day
 11-National Corn on the Cob Day
 12-National Jerky Day
 13-National Sewing Machine Day
 14-Flag Day
 16-Father's Day (3rd Sunday)
 17-Eat All Your Veggies Day
 18-World Juggling Day
 18-International Picnic Day
 20-World Refugee Day
 21-Summer Solstice (longest day)
 22-National Kissing Day
 23-National Eat at a Food Truck Day
 23-Runner's Selfie Day
 24-Take Your Dog to Work Day
 26-National Chocolate Pudding Day
 27-National Sunglasses Day
 29-National Camera Day

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Happy Birthday
 To Everyone
 Born in June!

- 1 Susan Cox
- 3 Darla Gasper
- 4 Treesa Colosky
- 5 Lauren Dickson
- 6 Bruce Burns
Judy Dodd
- 7 Tim Kinney
- 8 Carl Yorke
- 9 Jennifer Hurlahe Colosky
Mario Gabriel
- 10 Susan Burns
Zachary Dickson
- 11 Norma Coon
- 12 Jeremy Burks
- 14 Barb Maxfield
- 17 Kayla Olmstead
Bridgett Pletcher
- 19 Nancy Burns
- 20 Geraldine Burns
Todd Olejnik
- 22 Neil Balfour
- 23 Zoey Cox
- 28 Arabella Auld

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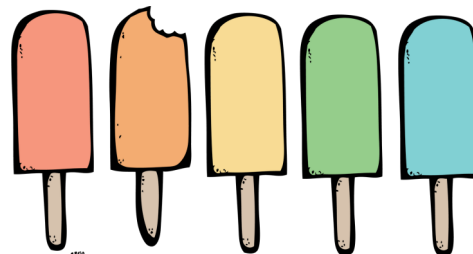
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My Last Page

As Joshua prepared to take leave of the people, he had the right thing to say, so I am going to borrow from him: Now I am about to go the way of all the earth. You know with all your heart and soul that not one of all the good promises the LORD your God gave you has failed. Every promise has been fulfilled; not one has failed. (Joshua 23:14)

Of course, I am NOT about to die (so far as I know) – but the essential element of absence is similar.

Joshua was getting ready to leave, but what was on his heart was nothing about himself – but about God’s plans, God’s provision, God’s faithfulness – and God’s glory.

Notice how the common principle in facing every change is: The Unchanging.

Life – in an imperfect world – is in constant turmoil – tossed by the waves of change, covered by the shifting sands of time.

Change is integral to this changing world, (**1 Corinthians 7:31**), but God is the One who connects the past and the future with unchanging grace (**James 1:17, Lamentations 3:22**).

In our situation, like Joshua and Israel’s, there was a change in leadership – but because God was still God, the continuity of **God’s** leadership continued, just as it had when Moses had “retired” and Joshua had been appointed to take up the role of God’s point-guard.

This is the most important aspect for every one of us, whether we are leaving, staying, coming, or just scratching our heads with a mild sense of bewilderment as to what comes next. Life isn’t about us – not about you, not about me – it’s about

Jesus, because **Jesus IS Life**. (See **John 11:25, 14:6, 17:3, and First John 1:2, 5:20**.)

We can rest, assured that “Not one of all the good promises the LORD your God gave you has failed. Every promise has been fulfilled; not one has failed.” Nor will they ever fail (read all of **Isaiah chapter 55**, focusing on verses 11-12).

While change is all around us through all of life, it helps me to remember what someone said: “If nothing ever changed, there’d be no butterflies.” With that in mind, here is a thought from one of my favorite authors and Christian thinkers, C. S. Lewis:

It may be hard for an egg to turn into a bird: it would be a jolly sight harder for it to learn to fly while remaining an egg. We are like eggs at present. And you cannot go on indefinitely being just an ordinary, decent egg. We must be hatched or go bad. (C. S. Lewis)

God is working in all of us to bring us to completion, to maturity in faith, in Jesus. God’s plan for the good people of Millington is now encompassing Pastor Nick, and, by God’s grace, Janine and I will find God’s purposes for us unfolding in Caro and . . . well, wherever we might travel from a new “base camp.”

Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy - to the only wise God our Savior, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen. (Jude 24, 25 - KJV)

-Pastor John





Mission Note for June 2020

We have received an update from the Walugembes. Due to the Covid-19 situation they are stranded in Mackinaw City. The Ugandan government are refusing to allow them to return. However, with the help of technology, they are able to stay in contact and carry out much of their ministry from afar.

I have also been in contact with Steve Lambert, our missionary to the students at CMU, Central Michigan University. The University is closed and thus there is little if any face to face contact with students, but with various means, i.e. phone, smart phone, internet, zoom etc., he and his wife are able to continue their ministry.

They are planning on more face to face contact by fall, God willing.

All of these people are still free from the virus, continue to pray for their safety and their ministry.

Mission Chair

Maury Chapin



**NOTHING IS SCHEDULED AT THIS
TIME
STAY TUNED.....**

Finance



Moment

Thank you to everyone who has continued to deliver their offering by mail or by dropping it off at the church office.

“In the midst of stress, disappointment, sadness or great joy, the Lord deserves the pleasure of our gratitude. When we truly understand the magnitude of our blessed lives, we can turn our complaints into thanksgiving.” – Jess Wolstenholm

“Be thankful for what you have; you’ll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don’t have, you will never, ever have enough.” – Oprah Winfrey

“In ordinary life, we hardly realize that we receive a great deal more than we give, and that it is only with gratitude that life becomes rich.” – Dietrich Bonhoeffer

“Two kinds of gratitude: The sudden kind we feel for what we take; the larger kind we feel for what we give.” – Edwin Arlington Robinson

“As with all commandments, gratitude is a description of a successful mode of living. The thankful heart opens our eyes to a multitude of blessings that continually surround us.” – James E. Faust

“Gratitude helps you to grow and expand; gratitude brings joy and laughter into your life and into the lives of all those around you.” – Eileen Caddy

United Methodist Women

The ladies have not met during the
Pandemic, so there is nothing to report.

God willing, they will be meeting

June 8th, 2020

-Jennie Brown, UMW President

Roots from which to grow.



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Upcoming Events and Information...



July 17th—1:00 to 6:45 pm

Thank you to all those who help raise money for our Children's program by recycling your ink cartridges. There has been a change effective March 1, 2020, the only thing that Planet Green will accept after that date is ink cartridges. Please bring your items to the church office to be collected. Thank you!

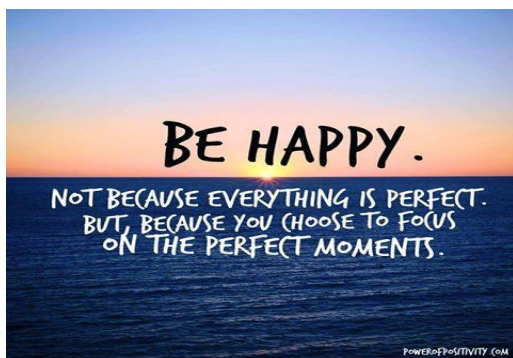
What we recycle: Ink Cartridges

We will **NO LONGER ACCEPT** cell phone & accessories, GPS & radar detectors, calculators, eBook Readers, iPods/MP3 Players, Digital/Video Cameras, PDAs, iPads/Tablets, Video Game Consoles & Accessories.



SCRIP Gift Card Program

Graduations, Father's Day, Birthdays and Anniversaries, or just to say Thank You...don't forget you can purchase or order your SCRIP Gift Cards from Barb in the church office. Proceeds from this program go to help support our Children's programs. There are several cards available in the office and 100's you can order. We just recently earned another \$21.20 towards the youth group account. Thank you. See Barb in the church office if you would like to purchase or order cards.



Talking about our problems is our greatest addiction. Break the habit. Talk about your joys.

◀ May	June 2020						July ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
Day of Pentecost	1	2 8:30 am Women's 4th day 10 am Bible Study 7 pm Bible Study	3 8am Men's Bible Study 6:15 pm Choir 7-10 pm Ping Pong Club 7:15pm PoP Band	4	5	6	
7 9:00 am Worship 11:00 Worship Trinity Sunday	8	9 8:30 am Women's 4th day 10 am Bible Study 7 pm Bible Study	10 8am Men's Bible Study 6:15 pm Choir 7-10 pm Ping Pong Club 7:15pm PoP Band	11	12	13	
14 9:00 am Worship 11:00 Worship Flag Day	15	16 8:30 am Women's 4th day 10 am Bible Study 7 pm Bible Study	17 8am Men's Bible Study 6:15 pm Choir 7-10 pm Ping Pong Club 7:15pm PoP Band	18	19	20 First day of Summer 	
21 9:00 am Worship 11:00 Worship Happy Father's Day! 	22	23 8:30 am Women's 4th day 10 am Bible Study 7 pm Bible Study	24 8am Men's Bible Study 6:15 pm Choir 7-10 pm Ping Pong Club 7:15pm PoP Band	25	26	27	
28 9:00 am Worship 11:00 Worship	29	30 <i>Goodbye June...</i>  <i>Hello July!!</i>					

A Note from Barb...

Because of the Covid-19 virus and all the closings surrounding it, I am doing the calendar as it would be in a “normal” world. The quarantine has been extended to June 12th and we don’t know after that what will be allowed.

Please be aware that as of the print date, none of the bible studies and church services are scheduled to happen. But if there are changes to that, you will have the correct dates and times.

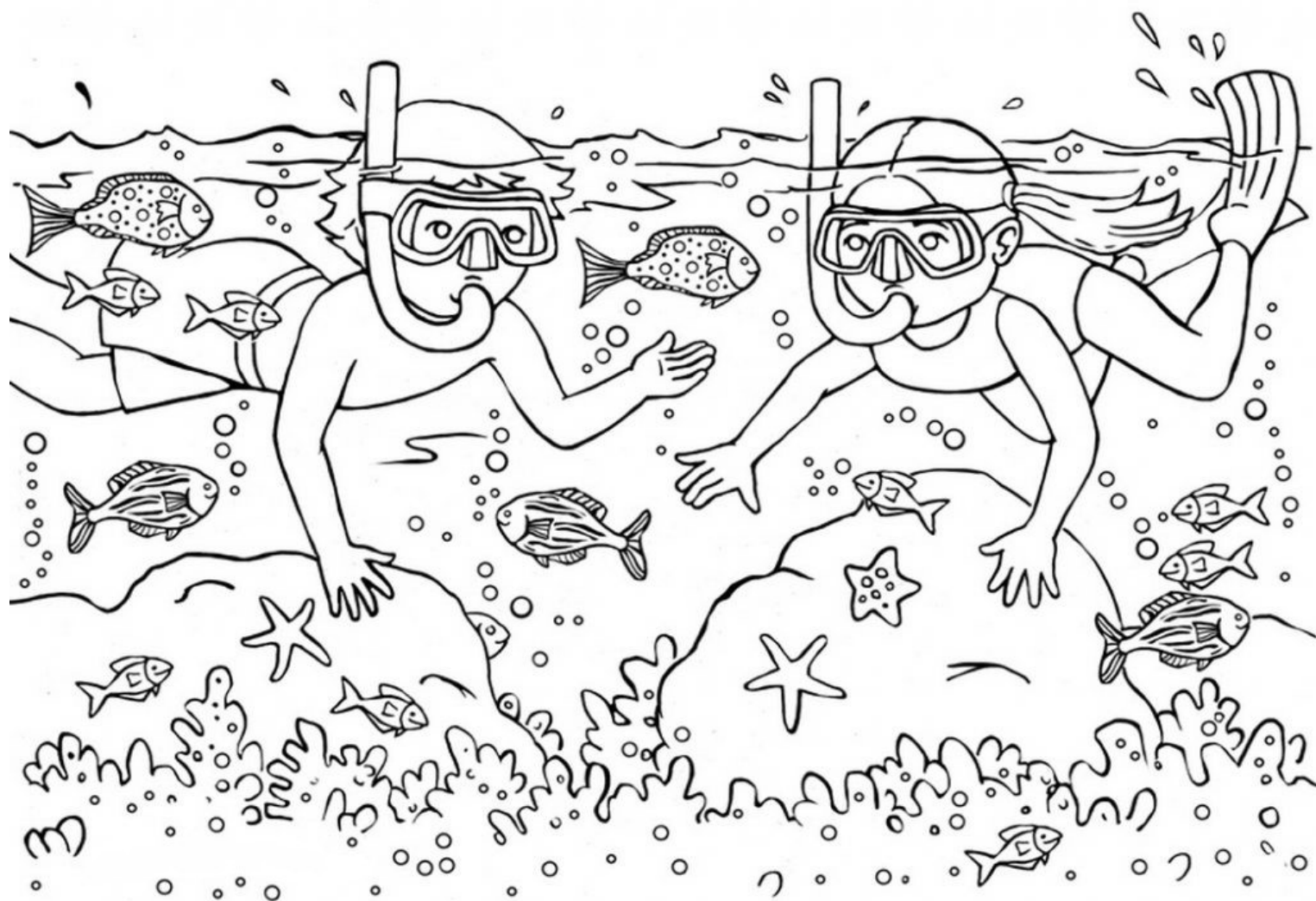
The next Blood Drive will be held July 17th. MUMC is the sponsor for this event. We may need volunteers.

Thanks to all who continue to send in their tithes/offerings to help offset the church expenses. We appreciate your faithfulness to God and your Church.

Summer Ice Cream Word Search!

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Banana	Chocolate	Peach
Brownie	Coconut	Peppermint
Bubblegum	Coffee	Pistachio
Butterscotch	Mango	Pumpkin
Caramel	Maple	Strawberry
Cherry	Neapolitan	Vanilla



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OUR SUNDAY SCHEDULE.

Check out our Sunday services online on our Facebook page.

***9:00 a.m. Worship *11:00 a.m. Worship**