

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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Rev. Nancy Johnston Varden, Pastor

The Visitor

Early Church – 8:45 a.m.
Sunday School – 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service – 10:50 a.m.

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July 14, 2017



Lynn Yates, Tom Kelly, Kelly Johnson, O.W. Linton, Glenn Exum, Michael Milner, Family of Brad Dexter, Richard & Lyda Rice, Michelle Richter, Pastor & Church, Ronnie, DayShore, Leslie Marcum, George Kennemore Family, Tori Mick, Persecuted Christians Around the World, Greg & Debbie Williams, Jim Ketterman, Kristi Rezabek, Jimmy Brasure, Kim Murray, Susan Parr, Steve Tibbs, Pearlie Collier, Christy Heisler, Stacey Homra, Donna McConnell, Janis & Steve Mooney, Joyce Tibbs, Josh Hankins, family of Marie Wilhaucks, Tammy Melton, Pearlie Collier Family

SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

Nursery

July 16 Annalise Bing
July 23 Savannah Copeland
July 30 Linda Faulkner
Aug 6 Pat Frazier

Children's Church

July 16 Nancy McConnell
July 23 Greg & Carmen Barclay
July 30 Linda Barclay
Aug 6 Jordan & Kelly Barnes

Acolytes

July 16 Caroline Barclay
July 23 Myranda Parr
July 30 Hannah Varden
Aug 6 Elizabeth Pirtle

Altar Flowers

July 16 Joan Homra
July 23 Joan Homra
July 30 Linda McDade
Aug 6 Linda McDade

Happy Birthday!

July

Holden McConnell	Debbie Stokes
Bill Homra	Bill Milliken
Kelly Barnes	Dwight Martin
Royce Oliver	Sarah Workman
Anne Logan	John Grant McConnell
Mickie Whitlock	Michelle Hartigan
Jeff Taylor	Jerry Hawks
Linda McDade	Dr. Mike Hawks
Jerry Joyner	Grace Wood
Karen Hussey	Elizabeth Whitesell II
David West	Melanie Hawks
Jeannie Grubbs	Caroline Barclay
David Mack Pirtle	Wright Frazier

Thank You!

Dear Church Family,

Thank you all so much for the beautiful blanket as my graduation gift! I cannot wait to use it at Western this fall. Thank you all for your continued love, kindness, and support during my 18 years of life in this Church so far!

Love,

Susannah Whitesell

UMM

UMM meet August 5th at 8am.

UMW

Circles will resume in the fall.

UMYF

Swim and Scripture on July 19th!

From the Pastor's Desk...

A NEW SERMON SERIES STARTS THIS SUNDAY: RESTORATION—A STUDY OF THE BOOK OF MICAH

I excitedly told a friend last week that I was going to be doing a sermon series on Micah. Her response, "I have to be honest, I have never read Micah." It is understandable, who of us have read Micah?" Our lectionary (three-year worship cycle for biblical text prescribed to the church) only offers two short readings from Micah.

Micah is fascinating! His name means "who is the Lord?" and he was Moreseth, of a small town of Gath. He was a younger contemporary of Isaiah (the prophet we are always reading) and prophesied to both Israel and Judah during the time of Jotham, Ahaz and Hezekiah, kings of Judah; and of Pekah and Hoshea, the last two kings of Israel.

Micah was from a small, agricultural town that many would have thought as insignificant. He was most likely a farmer himself not like Isaiah who was of royal lineage. Micah sympathized deeply with the common people, being moved by the social wrongs of his time (Ch. 2-3), and became the people's advocate and defender as well as their accuser.

God's condemnation via Micah is that Israel's leaders violate the Torah by accepting bribes, favoring the wealthy, and stealing land from the poor. The book opens with the call that God will judge the unjust, rebellious people.

But at the center of his message was the promise of *restoration* for God's people. Micah is a prophet that although God accuses and warns the people He also gives them hope. He will shepherd the faithful remnants and gather all the nations to Israel.

Micah was a message given 700 years before Christ. And it is a message for us 2,000 years after Christ. We are a people that are promised *restoration* and freedom in Christ. I hope you will join us over the next 4 weeks as we dig deeper into this ancient prophet as we examine who is God and where do we look for our restoration!

-Pastor Nancy

DayShore Volunteers Meeting

The Day Shore staff ask all workers and any interested church members to attend a meeting on Sunday, July 16, at 5:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Please show your support for Day Shore. Thank you,
Pam

Picnic/Ice Cream Social

Sunday, August 6 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m at the Willingham Center. It is a welcome for our new Youth Minister Kat Keller.

Food and Homemade Ice Cream provided. Come and bring a friend! Bring a chair if you want to sit outside.

The event is sponsored the Congregational Care Team.

Contact Information

Anne Peterson's new address is:
320 Joe Conway Circle
Apt. 2405
Masonic Home, KY 40041
Her phone # is:
502-873-2342

Welcome Kat!



Katherine "Kat" Keller is our new CYMT Youth Pastor! She is from Dyersburg, Tennessee. She graduated from Covenant College on top of Lookout Mountain in Chattanooga with a Bachelor's Degree in Interdisciplinary Studies with concentrations in Sociology and Youth Ministry. She is an only child. She also played soccer for her college. When asked what three words describe her, Kat said "Competitive, Sarcastic, and Chill". Please welcome her when you see her!

Prayer Meeting

Join us every Monday at Noon in the Church Library for Corporate Prayer. Prayer is such a powerful tool!

Staff Lunch

The office staff will take an hour lunch daily somewhere between the hours of 12:00pm-2:00pm.

Please plan all office needs around this and refrain from calling or needing office staff during these hours.