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"HOW TO DIAL 9-1-1"

Children are taught how to dial the phone in case of an emergency: dial "9 - 1 - 1" on the keypad. Nearly everyone in the U.S. has been taught this for two decades or more. It has helped a great many people be rescued from potential disasters.

A few years ago, the wife of a professional football player was driving her new luxury car with her infant son in a car seat in the back seat. She stopped the car and got in the back seat to attend to the child, leaving the engine running. While she addressed her baby boy, a carjacker jumped in the driver's seat and began driving the car at break-neck speed. The young wife and mother pleaded with the carjacker to let her and her son go free, but he refused. She noticed her cell phone in the baby's diaper bag, so she dialed "9 - 1 - 1" and dropped the phone back in the top of the bag, where the carjacker could not see it, but everything could be heard by the 9-1-1 dispatcher. With the dispatcher listening, the young mother cleverly described their location, with landmarks and any turns, to clue the police onto their destination, while still pleading with the carjacker to let them go. Finally, one last turn dropped the hijacked car into a police trap. The mother and son were rescued, and the carjacker was treated to a long vacation in a maximum security facility at government expense.

"9 - 1 - 1" is a great aid to those in emergencies. Yet sometimes, we need more help than a telephone can bring. At those times, we can call Psalm "9 - 1:1" for help (Psalm 91, verse 1). It reads: "You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust.' For He will deliver you..." The confidence of David in this psalm is that, whatever the trial or problem might be that comes our way, God is more than able to handle the issue. We will find help and protection from our almighty God. We can rest in His greatness, power, and love.

The next time you face crises in life, do not try to survive on your own. Instead, pray for God's strong protection and the comfort of His presence — they are available just for the asking. Next time spiritual danger strikes, dial "Psalm 9 - 1:1". You will find rescue and peace.

See you Sunday at the "rescue and peace" place.

Keith G. Knight

OUR WORSHIP TIMES:

- Sunday School 10 AM
- Worship 11 AM
- Youth Fellowship and Ignite—Wednesdays at 6 PM

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"WOW!" Look what it means to

Together we can do great things.

be a 'connectional church'.

Look What's Happening at FUMC!

I am so glad that I had the opportunity to attend Holston Annual Conference June 9-12 as an at-large delegate from the Hiwassee District. I met many interesting people and made some new friends from across Holston Conference. I was able to get a room at the historic Lambuth Inn and was able to catch the trolley which meant I did not even have to move my vehicle until Wednesday. (The area around Stuart Auditorium can get very congested and the trolley was a blessing.) The service music was beautiful and there was a lot of music! The setting was very casual but some of the services and events were very high church with very traditional and high church pageantry. There was a nice mixture. I was able to see one of my good friends during my Tennessee Wesleyan days (Reverend Don Thomas) go through the retirement service and be recognized. I saw Braxton and Lyndie Cotton and Carol Martin and some of the other pastors

that had at one time been in the Madisonville area. It was a voting year and now I know what that means. I was actual-

ly on one of the teams that was assigned to pass out and collect ballots from Tuesday afternoon until Wednesday whenever conference was over-which ended up being 8 PM on Wednesday night! That day I walked 3.9 miles and most of it was passing out and taking up ballots. It was a very interesting experience. Attending Annual Conference also made me think about what being a connectional church means. I know that as a church we collected \$290.00 for the Opioid Crisis offering, but by the time Annual Conference was over and every church had put their offering together, the total was \$129,733. Our Change for Children offering of \$546.03 swelled to a total of \$61,990 from across Holston Conference. Our

19 health kits combined with food buckets, clothing, and medical and school supplies from across Holston Conference was enough to fill 3 tractor trailer trucks for mission donations to Zimbabwe and Liberia totaling \$220,131. WOW!

Speaking of combining forces and resources, let me say a little about our upcoming Vacation Bible School that will begin on Sunday evening July 21. We will again be combining forces with Madisonville Presbyterian Church. Bible School will be held at our church since the crowd is large and we have plenty of space to accommodate the large group. We will have classes for all ages-toddlers through adults. I will take the check today to Sweetwater City Pool to reserve the pool for Friday evening July 26 for our big celebration event. We still need helpers and there is a sign up sheet at the coffee bar. We need prayers and we want lots and lots of children. Please plan to bring your children and friends of our chil-

dren. Please plan to attend yourself and be a part of the adult class that will be led by Pastor Keith and Pastor Deidra Crosby from Madisonville

Presbyterian Church. We want this to be our best Bible School ever!

Can you believe it won't be long before school starts again! Right now our goal is for IG-NITE to begin again on Wednesday night August 14. Our youth will continue to meet through the summer. As I write this, our youth and leaders are on their second work day at Henderson Settlement. This is a big change from Johns Island, and everyone was ready for the new challenge. Vanessa sent pictures from Monday and they were working hard. I did not go with the group this year,

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and the pictures made me wish I was there with them. Mission trips are a great experience for youth. I know there is plenty to be done around here, but I know from experience that you have to get youth away from all their regular activities and commitments to get the combined work out of them that they put forth on a mission trip. And they do work! Hard! The makeup of this group is different from the last several years. It is a much younger group. None of the older youth from last year (Grant, Greyson, Will, Jacob, Caitlin and Kaitlin with a K) were able to go this year because of other obligations. That takes away your roof climbers! The work tasks for this year's trip were assigned with the younger group in mind and there should be plenty to keep them busy. I look forward to hearing about their trip. Right now that presentation is scheduled for Sunday July 28 at morning worship.

I hope that everyone is having a great summer. Remember that the church is open year round. I hope to see you Sunday!

Lue

5th Sunday Community Service <u>June 30th</u> Madisonville Church of God New Hwy 68

Join with fellow
Christians from area
churches for a
covered dish supper at
5:45 PM and the
worship service at 7 PM.



AED and CPR Training

Imagine these scenarios. You are at Sunday morning worship or at a Wednesday night youth or IGNITE session or are attending a Monday night church meeting? The person next to you goes into sudden cardiac arrest. Would you know what to do other than call 911 and wait for help to arrive? Sometimes this takes a few minutes and those few minutes are very critical.

On Tuesday night July 2 Alan Johnson has arranged for us to have AED (Automated External Defibrillator) training and CPR training here at the church at 7 PM. We have an AED device at the church and we will learn how to use it. It is a lightweight, battery-operated, portable device that checks the heart's rhythm and sends a shock to the heart to restore a normal rhythm. The device is used to help people having sudden cardiac arrest. Using it correctly could mean the difference between life and death.

We will also have CPR training. Many of us have had the training in the past, but techniques have been updated over the years. CPR can also make the difference between life and death. CPR is something that we can use in many places and situations.

We want to have a large group of people at this training. Please contact Alan Johnson if you have questions.



United Methodist Men

The United Methodist Men will meet on Sunday, July 14th, 8:30 AM at Fat Stacks Restaurant



on Hwy 68 (Note the change in location.). All men of the church are invited to attend. If you have any questions, please call Ray Nelson at 928-660-1061.

United Methodist Women



Women will **not** meet in July. The next meeting

will be on the August 18th, at 9:30 AM in our fellowship hall. All women who attend our church are invited to be a part of this group. Thank you for your donations of bar bath soap in response to the **CHALLENGE** for June. Our donations will be delivered soon to the Good Shepherd Center. The challenge for July is toothpaste.

If you have questions about the United Methodist Women's organization, their ministries and how you can serve, please contact Laurie McNeece, President, at 423-420-1054.



helped with the **Tuesday Night Community** Dinner.

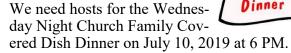
We had about 31 people and about 75 meals

were consumed, delivered, or taken home for later. We served at the Presbyterian Church on June 11, 2019. Our next rotation will be on Aug. 20, 2019.

It takes a family to accomplish this wonderful service and our Church Family always comes thru. Thank you for always stepping up to the challenge.

Kay Grubb and Dora Nelson

Church Family Covered Dish Supper



Since it is summer let's bring picnic foods. Ray and Dora Nelson will bring some grilled hamburgers and hotdogs.

Please bring one or two of your favorite picnic foods. We are looking forward to seeing what you bring to share.

If you will host, please let Dora know.

Thanks, see you for dinner, If you have any questions or are willing to help, please call Dora Nelson at 928-660-1009.

IGNITE kids, there will be special activities for you after supper.



Summer Office Hours

Continuing thru August 2 we will have reduced office hours. Hours for these two months will be Monday—Thursday from 8 AM to noon. The office will be closed on Fridays. Reba will be in at other times if needed.

Reba will be out of the office from Monday, July 1 thru Wednesday, July 3. She will be back in the office Friday and Saturday, July 5th and 6th, as needed. If you need something early in the week, please call 423-442-2471 to see if Sue or Pastor Keith will be there to assist you.

The office will be closed Thursday, July 4rh!!

Vacation Bible School



Make plans now for "To Mars and Beyond" July 21 thru 26. There will be classes for all ages—pre-school thru adults. We will have music, crafts, games, Bible Study, and food. If you are willing to help in any way there is a signup sheet at the coffee bar. We need helpers for the kitchen and shepherds to get the children from one activity to another and supervise them.

See the list below for items we need for crafts that you may be able to donate.

2019 VBS Craft Supply List

Construction paper

Star stickers

Inexpensive Watercolors (8 color sets; need 5 or 6 sets)

Watercolor paint brushes (about 15 or so)

Kosher Salt

Glitter Glue

Round Coffee Filters (any size)

Paper towels

Dark Blue Craft Paint

Craft glue (we will need 2 or 3 new ones)

Black craft paint

New Keys

Don't forget to come by the office to exchange your old keys for new ones. The old keys will no longer give you access to our outside doors or the Community Room. Reba will be out of the office the first few days of July, so call the office to see if someone is there that can help you.



Electronic Giving

If you would like to give electronically GO TO our website at www.firstumcmadisonville.org and click on ONLINE GIVING

ONE-TIME GIFTS are simple to set up using a bank account or debit or credit card.

RECURRING GIFTS can be set up on a schedule that works for you, with flexibility to track and manage your giving pattern. By setting up a bank transfer, approximately 3% more of your gift will go to ministry compared to a credit card transaction.

FOR ASSISTANCE, please call Reba Hall at 423-442-2471.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Senior Event

Watch your bulletins and e-mails for info about the outing for July 15th.

Sue Hamilton & Jan Johnson Co-Chairpersons of the Senior Ministry Team



Holston Annual Conference Offerings and 'Hands-On' Mission Project

Thanks to the gracious generosity of our church family we were able to give the following:

- ♦ Opioid Crisis Offering \$290.00
- ♦ Change for Children \$546.03
- Health Kits 19 kits with an extra \$15 in funds for shipping that we can use next year.

We always have two cash offering at Annual Conference—Change for Children and the Annual Mission Offering (which changes from year to year). The change canisters are on the square table in the gathering area for you to take home at your earliest convenience to start saving for next year. If we all do that, we will not have such a push next year at conference time for these two offerings.

As soon as we know what the "Hands On" mission project will be for next year, we will let you know. Thanks again for your generosity.



In the month of **June** donations were made to:

The **Building Fund** in memory of:

Candace Martin by:

Reba Hall

Mary Torkelson

(Karen McMillan's mother) by: Reba Hall

The **General Fund** in memory of:

Mary Torkelson

(Karen McMillan's mother) by: Alfred & Carolynn Greenwood

Candace Martin by:

Freida Naylor

The General Fund as a thank you to the Church
Family for assisting with the memorial
service and lunch for her daughter, Candace
Martin, by Freida Naylor.

The **General Fund** in honor of **Melanie Slouka** by Deb Marshall.

Sue received a note with pictures from Vanessa about our 2019 Mission Team



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Second Mile Giving . .is an opportunity to help over and above your regular tithes and offerings to the church.

Good Shepherd Center

The **third** Sunday of each month is the **Good Shepherd Food Sunday.** Pantry needs at this time are:

- soup and canned fruit
- personal care items
- ⇒ deodorant
- ⇒ shampoo
- \Rightarrow dish soap
- ⇒ laundry soap powder

They really need volunteers. If you will help call 423-420-8888 for more information.

Spending Your Spare Time

Don't forget these **mission opportunities** that will only take a few minutes of your time:

- Box Tops for Education
- used candles and yarn leftovers for Camp Wesley Woods



- empty prescription bottles for the animal shelter
- bring empty ink cartridges to the church for recycling and reward \$s.
- used or new jigsaw puzzles for the nursing home
- used eye glasses—we will see that they get to a group who could use them
- aluminum can tabs for the Shriners Hospitals for Children

Will You Serve?

- Ushers
 - Lois Green at 423-884-6401
- Greeters and Coffee Bar sign up at the Coffee Bar counter
- Nursery volunteers—contact Mary Kefauver at 423-519-5158 or Dora Nelson at 928-660-1009
- Host Monthly Wednesday Night Supper Dora Nelson at 928-660-1009



Happy Birthday

- 1 Wesley Taylor
- 2 James Pennington
- 4 Sarah Tweed
- 6 Rhonda Davidson
- 7 Vijay Kanabar
- 9 Matthew Harrell
- 10 Roxanne Gruin
- 11 Faye Watson
- 12 Charlie Lee
- 14 Gini Tallent Karen Rapking
- 16 Amelia Rapking Childers
- Judy ChristopherBob MarshallSandy O'Neill
- 19 Pete Hambaugh
- 23 Janet Tweed
- 25 Shane Cavett
- 27 Kevin Collins
- 29 Patrick Rapking Carol Bourlard
- 31 Carol Rapking

Happy Anniversary

- 4 Roger & Laurie McNeece
- 31 Alan & Jan Johnson

Are we missing your name?



We would like to hear from you if we are. Please email the office at adminassist@firstumcmadisonville.org or call (423-442-2471) to let us know when your birthday or anniversary is. There are Member/Attendee Profile

sheets on the table in the gathering area and in the attendance notebooks. Please take time to fill one out for your family if you have not already done so or if there are changes.

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Our Gifts

For June

General Operating Fund: \$ 13,765.01

Designated: \$ 5,044.90 .**Building Fund:** \$ 3,730.00 **Memorial Fund:** \$ 1,000.00

Our Presence

Average for June Sunday School— 40 Worship— 105

Our Commitments

For July

Ushers

Mike & Gabi Tallent, Blair Clements and Mark Radosevich

<u>Greeter</u>

<u>Lay Reader</u> John Byrum

Flowers

July 7 Communion
July 14 Karen Rapking

July 21 Lawrence Johnson in honor of Curwood Witt

July 28 Bob & Margaret Marshall in memory of his parents, Hank & Marcia

Acolytes

July 7 Leilah Pyros & Storm Millsaps July 14 Kyleigh Curtis & Alexis Jones July 21 Catherine Barger & Justin Deaton

July 28 Evan Kile & Leland Shaw

Coffee Bar

July

If you would like to host the coffee bar, for a month or a Sunday, please sign up at the coffee bar. You are asked to clean up (or arrange for someone else to do it) if you bring goodies or make coffee.

Wednesday Night Church Family Supper

July 10, 6 PM

Hosted by: -

See more info on page # 4.

If you would like to help host our suppers on the 2nd Wednesday of each month please contact Dora Nelson at 928-660-1009

Our Prayers

On-going Prayer Concerns:

Todd Strickland Bill Huddleston Maria Rosian John Summitt & Joan Holland Pete & Kathy Hambaugh John Stratton Barbara Penland Mrs Henry Art & Penelope Fowler Mary Nelson Kristin Pennington Susan Milev Jimmy Leamon and family John McMillan Logan Hunt **Paul Robbins** Sandy & Mike O'Neill Nancy Byrum Selena Wiggs Bill & Jo West Marjorie Fezlar Sharon Amundson Joyce & Dick Turner Catherine Reed Howard & Pat Harvey Betty Hicks Mary Margaret and Clifton Greenwood Dickie Mason The Millsaps Family Lynn Knight (Keith The Patrick Family Knight's sister) Freida Naylor Doug Lottes Courtney Farmer Charles Baker Hank Weston Donna Roberson Jay Browne Barbara Roberson Barbara Monhollen Janet Bales Christine Hendricks Curwood Witt & family Christine Giles Barbara Baiz Margaret Marshall

Please let us know if anyone can to be taken off this list or if anyone needs to be added.

Our Active Military Personnel

Marilyn DePew

Adrienne Greenwood—US Army
Nathan Greenwood—US Navy Reserves
David Hargett—US Army
Zach Johnston—US Army
Tyler Kadau—US Marines
Wesley Taylor—US Army
Adam Thornton—US Coast Guard Reserves

Those in Nursing Homes or Assisted Living:

Mary Margaret Mason—NHC, Athens Edna Bonifacius—Asbury Place, Maryville Gerri Benton—Wood Village Assisted Living, Sweetwater

Judy Lee—Northshore Heights. 8804 S Northshore Drive, Knoxville, TN 37922



July 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2 AED/CPR Training 7 PM	3 UMYF 6 PM Choir 7 PM	4 Independence Day	5	6
	Boy Scouts 6 PM CR			The office will be closed.	AA CR	
7ss 10 AM Worship 11 AM Children & Youth Ministry Team 6 PM	8 Trustees 6:30 PM	9 Finance 6 PM	10 UMYF 6 PM Choir 7 PM	11	12	13
	Boy Scouts 6 PM CR			TOPS 4 PM CR	AA CR	Tweed family wedding recep- tion - FH
14 UMM 8:30 AM at Fat Stacks SS 10 AM	15 Senior Event	16	17Church Family Supper 6 PM Host: UMYF 6 PM Choir 7 PM	18	19	20
Worship 11 AM	Boy Scouts 6 PM CR		Homeless Mgmt Group Noon FH	Celebrate Re- covery FH All day TOPS 4 PM CR	AA CR	
21 SS 10 AM Worship 11 AM	22 Senior Event— Watch your bulletins and e-mail for more info.	23	24 UMYF 6 PM Choir 7 PM	25	26	27
Vacation Bible a pool party at S	School 6 to 8:45 Pl Sweetwater City Pool	M each evening Sur on Friday evening.	nday thru Thursday. V	Veather permitting	; we will have	
28	29	30	31			

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Noon CR

28 SS 10 AM Worship 11 AM

29

30

31

UMYF 6 PM
Choir 7 PM

Boy Scouts 6 PM

CR

Please check with the office to see that the space you would like to use for your Team meetings or other event is available before you schedule your next meeting.

If your group will be meeting on a regular schedule (every month, every other month) please let the office know so it can be included in the calendar.



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Sunday, July 21 thru Friday, July 26 6 to 8:45 PM

Supper served each night

Nursery available for children of adults who are attending

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



Classes for all ages— Pre-k thru Adult

music

Bible stories

crafts

recreation