



Community Cornerstone

Summer 2026

OVERFLOW WITH GRACE PRESENT JESUS MAKE NEW DISCIPLES

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“HANG OUT?”

Summer is almost here! It's time to hang out. Yes, seriously, “hang out.”

Jesus hung out with his friends. He did not just gather them to do ministry and receive lectures, then dismiss them until the next time. He ate and slept with them. He was personally involved with them. Jesus enjoyed and loved them. He did not unendingly push, work, and lecture them. Sometimes, when his friends were hyper stimulated and ready to keep going, he would stop them. He would take them to quiet places to rest. There they would hang out, air out, and become refreshed.

What would it look like for you to hang out this summer with Jesus and his friends in Community? As you pray and read about the activities, events, studies, and serving opportunities described in this newsletter, imagine times and ways to just hang out together. Stick around after a service or meeting. Perhaps go out for a snack or meal after an activity. Maybe you could host a small informal carry-in to bless a few people newer to you. Host a bonfire. Imagine, pray, and follow through. Your Lord Jesus may very well invite you to hang out with Him and His people in Community this summer.



A lot is going on this summer in Community. Plus, our all-church Yard Sale neighborhood outreach is coming Saturday, September 26. The Summer Schedule found in this newsletter expresses our heart for others and to “get real” ourselves.

“Hang Out?” (continued)

We will continue this summer to gather, study, love, and serve challenged kids, teens, and adults. Plus, we will work with our Lord and one another to get over our own hurts, habits, and hang ups.



Yet, our Lord is also calling each of us to stop, and go to a quiet place with one another. There He will invite you to enjoy Him and others, and rest.

Then, because so many people were coming and going that they did not even have a chance to eat, he said to them, “Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.” Mark 6:31 NIV



Amidst all the intense summer activity, pray and make time with other brothers and sisters in Christ to just “hang out.”



JESUS' TOOLBOX TRAINING

- Sunday, August 23, 6-8 p.m.
- Pastor Fritz , Facilitator



What is a "JESUS TOOLBOX"?

- Simple tools with training to mentor new believers into Community.
- For all who minister and mentor, including those who will mentor new members.

WHY the TOOLBOX?

To Get Founded. Upon Who And What I Stand

- Stand with God on God's terms. The Gospel.
- Take First Steps

To Know God. Whose I Am.

- Gain a clear picture of Jesus
- Realize Jesus' reality
- Learn to listen to God



MEMBERSHIP?

Your WELCOME/MEMBERSHIP CLASS:

A class for potential new members to understand and get more involved with the Lord, life, and mission of Community Church.

Membership is a way of publicly stating your commitment to the Lord, mission, and team of Community Methodist Church Riverside. *Please see a Membership pamphlet found on the Resource Tables.*

8 Sessions Starting the week of September 13. Session days and times determined by the schedules of those who sign up for the class. More information to follow in the September newsletter.

If you are interested in membership, please see Pastor Fritz this summer.



SPECIAL TIMES TOGETHER!

Fellowship is the main idea of our pre and post Sunday offerings. Food is the other element that makes Community fellowship special. Thank you to all who have signed up to provide a snack/provide lunch. A snack/lunch does not to be anything expensive or elaborate. We receive items from a food truck on Tuesdays and there is always a possibility we could receive food you could use. If necessary, a reimbursement of the amount you spend is a possibility.

The last Sunday of the month is the Sunday Donna uses to celebrate that month's birthdays. We don't need volunteers for that Sunday. We are so grateful that Sally Borba and family bless us with lunch four times this year. Also, if no one signs up for a particular Sunday I will try to fill in if I am not out of town. Of course, I am always willing to help out in whatever way I can any week. Please contact me: rmiller68@gmail.com; 937-203-6446

Some examples of snacks:

- Pretzels, chips, cheese and crackers, nachos, fruit, something sweet
 - I will make coffee and have the water and pastries ready
 - I will be out of town on August 2nd and September 16th
- Blessings, Rhonda

Community Finances

Thank you for your faithful giving and support of the ministries of Community Methodist Church Riverside.

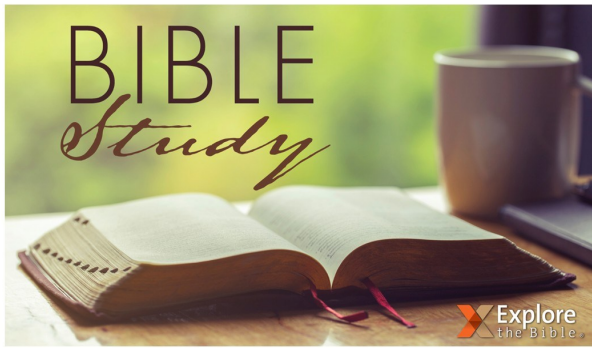
As of April 2026, year-to-date summary is:

- Receipts: \$57,894.36
- Expenses: \$62,891.21
- Current Deficit: (\$4,996.85)

While we are currently operating at a deficit, we remain grateful for God's provision and the generosity of our church family. Your prayers, participation, and financial support help make ministry possible both within our church and throughout our community.

Together, we continue to trust God as we serve, grow, and share His love with others. To give: Checks to CMCR or use QR code:





Come join us Thursday mornings at 10:00am as we study together the Psalms

Who? Everyone is invited. Come as often as you can and stay as long as you can

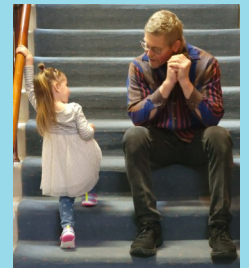
Where? Community Church Library

339 Meyer Ave Riverside, OH

When? Every Thursday Morning @10:00am

LEGACY GIFTS

As we plan for the future of Community Methodist Church Riverside, we encourage everyone to review any legacy gifts or beneficiary designations you may have established.



Please take a moment to verify that any investments, retirement accounts, life insurance policies, trusts, or other beneficiary designations list **Community Methodist Church Riverside** as the beneficiary if that is your intent.

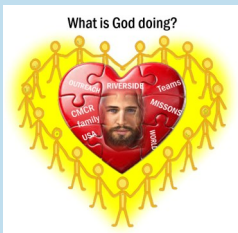


In some cases, older documents may still reference **Community United Methodist Church**. A quick review today can help ensure your wishes are honored and that future gifts reach the ministry you desire to support.

Thank you for your continued faithfulness and stewardship.

If you are interested in leaving a Legacy Gift to your Community Church, please see or contact Amy Townley: aborkovskyy@yahoo.com; 513-244-2692.

-Rachel Huffman



CLEARLY JESUS!
Get Into Jesus through the Gospel Of Mark

- Facilitated by Pastor Fritz
- In the Church Library

WHY? To receive a clear picture of Jesus through a two chapter a week "study" of the Gospel of Mark.

HOW? To experience Him as we realize the background enough to "place ourselves" in the various settings found in the Gospel of Mark.

WHEN?

- Sunday, 6/7, at 1 p.m.
- Mondays: 6/15, 6/22, 6/29, & 7/6 at 6:30 p.m.
- Sunday, 7/12, at 1 p.m.,
- Monday, 7/20 at 6:30 p.m.
- Sunday, 7/26 at 1 p.m.



Summer Schedule: June 7 & 21; July 5 & 19; August 2 & 16

This is not a "grief" class. This is an opportunity to get to know people from Community Church and so many other churches and groups. We come together and share our gifts, encourage one another and get encouraged. What a great way to start out your week!

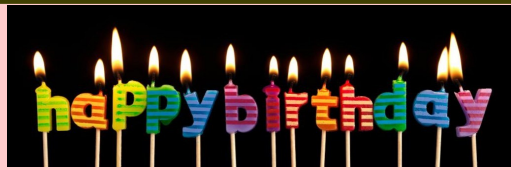
Everyone is welcome! Come and see what the Lord has for you and bring someone!

TROTWOOD OUTREACH

Every third Saturday at 9:30am
June 20, July 18, August 15

Contact Charlotte
937-287-1872





June

6/01 Robert Luneke
 6/03 Rachel Hammons
 6/12 Robb French
 6/12 Zechariah Hoke
 6/14 Christopher Boyd
 6/15 Ellie Gusman
 6/17 Pat Gerrior
 6/18 Mila Boggs
 6/18 Cameron Hoke
 6/20 Treva Pickinpaugh
 6/21 Ramon Figueroa
 6/25 Ron Snodgrass
 6/28 Karen Collier
 6/30 Alex Snodgrass

July

7/04 Fred Burgess
 7/18 Lana Ping
 7/21 Renee Snodgrass
 7/22 Matthew Huffman
 7/22 Chuck Pinney
 7/23 Travis Hutchinson
 7/25 Brenda Dayton
 7/26 Alan Buswell
 7/28 Shelley James
 7/31 Sarah Brown
 7/31 Leila Hibbs

August

8/04 Steve Hoke
 8/05 Todd Miller
 8/10 Mike Raines
 8/12 Mary Ulisky
 8/16 Tatom Whitacre
 8/17 Jim Smith
 8/17 Nikki Whitacre
 8/19 Dave Hale
 8/19 Sharon Minter
 8/19 Lucian Rankin
 8/22 Wanda Balger
 8/22 Zoey Spencer
 8/23 Cortni Boyd
 8/23 Ebby Hale
 8/28 Tom Petkus
 8/28 Pam Moser
 8/29 Hansel Mosoka

September

9/05 Elizabeth Bellitt
 9/05 Troy Kehl
 9/09 Billy Hibbs
 9/09 Cindy Miller
 9/10 Kenneth Huffman
 9/14 Olivia Kehl
 9/14 James Evans
 9/16 Charlotte Boyle
 9/16 Robert Dinsmore
 9/16 Emily Kinzig
 9/16 David Rose

Happy Anniversary

6/03 Dale & Sharon Kirby
6/09 Pete & Donna Willis
6/13 Fritz & Claire Merkes
6/24 Mike & Liz Barnhart
6/26 Kent & Ellen Shelley
6/26 Richard & Mary Ulisky
7/18 Bill & Marsha Hiatt
8/01 Ed & Rhonda Miller
8/02 Dan & Nita Renfro
8/31 Roger & Carol Hancock
9/01 Bob & Norma Jean Luneke
9/04 David & Ebby Hale
9/14 Bruce & Anna Boggs

UNPLUGGED

UNPLUGGED & HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP GROWING & LEARNING

Hello Community,

Unplugged is gearing up for summer starting June 9th. **We will have six sessions and will be ending July 14th.** We will be working with our current 5th-8th graders and will continue to work on community building and teamwork before we bring in the Whiz Kids graduates this school year in October.

Friday night events this summer will be **June 12, July 10 and August 7th, 5:30-8:00pm.** These

nights are fun and food filled and usually well attended.

Please pray for the kids as they go into summer break and that God blesses them with a safe healthy summer.



Helping with Trotwood Outreach on a Saturday morning.

Blessings,
 Bill



SENIOR HIGH: We have ventured out and grown with our Unplugged students and are now offering a High School Youth Group.

We plan to **meet once a month on the first Saturday of each month.** We will combine games, lesson and relationship building to connect with our older students and lead them to Christ.

Our next meeting is in June and the students have asked for a boxing theme. We will introduce the topic of Spiritual Attacks. If anyone has a

punching bag we can borrow, it would be appreciated. Contact Anna if you do!



—Anna

Community Outreach Reaching Out Once A Month!

Community's Outreach Team is growing and now are having monthly outreaches. The enthusiasm for this monthly project has grown, too. All ages gather on Saturday afternoons to put together blessing bags. The bags include sandwiches,



snacks, water, sweets and donation items from the list below as well as encouraging booklets. As the weather gets warmer, here are the items we would like to put in the bags:

- Refillable water bottles
- Socks (for men and women)
- Travel-size hygiene products
- Hand sanitizer



If you feel led to serve or get involved, please connect with one of our team members: **James, Shelley, Logan, Joe, Tavia, Steve Hoke, Micheal Phipps, Emily,** or myself. You can also reach out to **Pastor Fritz** or the church office for more information. Or, you can just show up to help pack bags and/or go out to distribute them.



The summer schedule of Community's Outreach to the Men's Shelter and Homeless:

The 4th Saturday of each month: **June 27, July 25, August 22.** The September Outreach will be the Annual Yard Sale **September 26 12-5:00pm**

“For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.” — Luke 19:10

Blessings,
Amanda Wing



“LIFEWISE” FOR KEMP ELEMENTARY SCHOOL KIDS

I received a text at the end of the 10th year celebration for Whiz Kids. It was sent by one of our sisters in Christ who works with Lifewise and Pastor Pam at Linden Church. As you may remember from Pastor Pam's November presentation at Community, Lifewise is now in the Dayton Public School System. Kemp Elementary School was on their horizon. *The horizon ends and Lifewise begins for Kemp in late September.*

Lifewise will begin a “release time” program with full parental permission for Kemp School. Kemp is located and serves a part of our surrounding neighborhood that we have not reached.

On our end, this would basically involve providing a *room in the church once a week for the morning and very early afternoon.* Although Lifewise handles all the logistics, we are invited to provide **volunteers, transportation help, and financial support.** Plus, we can recommend people to serve as paid teachers.

Although these are invitations and not obligations, let's pray and be faithful to God. Let's not miss this God given opportunity to join Jesus and let the little children come unto Him and us!

Please, would you internet search:

- **Kemp Elementary 1923 Gondert Ave Dayton, Ohio** and check out the Kemp website. Please pray as you look it over.
- **Lifewise Dayton, Ohio.** Check out the Lifewise website and do the same.



From Emily...

I want to take this opportunity to say a BIG Thank you to all of the people who donated to me when I got my first apartment. I truly appreciate all of your kindness. It helped me be able to cook and set up a warm inviting space that I love coming home to.

**Thank you!
Emily Kinzig**

Summer Bonfire Brings Fellowship & Fun



Recently, our church family gathered for a wonderful evening around the bonfire filled with fellowship, laughter, and great food. It was a beautiful opportunity to slow down, connect with one another, and enjoy time together.

Many enjoyed roasting hot dogs over the fire and sharing stories as the flames crackled in the background. The

evening was made even sweeter with a special twist on a campfire favorite—s'mores made with Reese's Peanut Butter Cups. The combination of chocolate, peanut butter, marshmallows, and graham crackers was a big hit with everyone who attended!

Events like these remind us of the importance of Christian fellowship. *As we gather, share meals, and spend time together, we strengthen the relationships that make our church family so special.*



Thank you to everyone who helped make the evening possible and to all who came out to participate. We look forward to many more opportunities to gather, grow, and enjoy fellowship together throughout the summer.

-Shelley



Celebrate Staying Alive in Christ Jesus

Our CR is alive and doing well, thanks to our Heavenly Father.

In May we hosted music artist Scott Cramer with his band. Scott shared part of his story. We enjoyed this blessing, including the CR lead team and all of the participants. The Holy Spirit was moving at that meeting.

Our drivers, Bill Hiatt and Jim Evans are consistently picking up around 14 people in drug rehab from Woodhaven as well as 4-6 people from Full Circle. Plus, some of our participants and leaders bring people, too.

We are excited that God is providing for those with hurts, habits and hangups to have this opportunity to meet, be a part of the celebration of receiving chips, hear the Word and good lessons, see the Holy Spirit move and enjoy good fellowship and food. Several of the people in treatment are consistently returning and new people are coming, stating that they will return. We always warmly invite them to the service on Sundays.

We are grateful to our faithful cooks, Donna, Bill & Marsha, Cheryl and her Mom, and Charlotte's team. Point Church is now providing food and cooking it every third Thursday.

We meet EVERY THURSDAY. Come join us! Even if you don't have any issues of your own to work through, then just come support us as a group. Be the one to love on someone who is hurting, just as Jesus does for them.

DINNER at 6:00
WORSHIP at 6:45
SMALL GROUP at 8:00

If you are unable to attend PLEASE feel free to pray for the participants as well as the lead team (Taunya, Rhonda, Tavia, Steve H, Steve N, Mario). We all need prayer!

—Steve H



Communion the First Thursday of Every Month





LET'S GO KROGERING!

Did you know you can support Community Methodist Church Riverside every time you shop at Kroger—at no additional cost to you?

Through the Kroger Community Rewards Program, Kroger donates a portion of your purchases to our church when your Shopper's Card or phone number is linked to Community Methodist Church Riverside (SI382).

Getting started is easy:

1. Create or sign in to your Kroger digital account at Kroger.com.
2. Select **Community Rewards** under your account settings.
3. Search for **Community Methodist Church Riverside (SI382)**.

Click **Enroll** or **Save**.

Then simply shop as you normally do and use your Shopper's Card or phone number at checkout.

For the period of February–April, our church received **\$37.69** through this program. **Imagine the blessing it could be if every church family participated while purchasing the everyday necessities they already buy!**

Thank you for supporting our church in such a simple and meaningful way.

—Rachel

Worship Music

If you, or a family member, or a friend sing or play an instrument please consider sharing that gift during a worship service this summer.

Or, if you know any younger musicians looking for a church to start their worship music journey, or if you have a contact who might know, please let Donna 937-681-9174 or dwillis26@hotmail.com or Mario Ybarbo (937-609-7822) know.

We are looking toward our church's future as some, like me, are getting older and a transition to some younger musicians will be needed in the future.

—Donna



A WELCOMING SPACE

We've been busy on the One Board. We got the circuit breaker boxes replaced so the air conditioner in the office works wonderfully now. It will keep Ellen and the library nice and cool.

We also got new back doors going out to the playground that are clear glass which has lightened up the back hallway area. I'll admit I'm still getting used to it. I keep thinking the back door is open. If you haven't seen them take time and go check them out. We also need some work done around the frame. If you are willing to help fit it or would like to help fix it, please let someone on the board know or Ellen know. Thanks.

We had a clean up day and got rooms cleaned out and filled a dumpster by clearing out two notorious clutter areas (see picture below). We are so grateful to those who helped out that day. We will be having **another All Church Clean Up Day in October** so keep an eye out for the opportunity to help.

We are getting bids for the parking lot to be resurfaced. It will be a big project. We are also looking at replacing 6 to 8 parking stoppers and repainting and restriping the parking lot.

If you have any questions or suggestions please let us know. You can ask anyone on the Board or leave a message at church and we will respond.

Thank you,



SUMMER SCHEDULE: SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

6/7: WORTH DYING FOR, SO LIVE IT!

We Messed Things Up!

- Communion
- Monthly Offering: Unplugged & Teen Group.
- PICNIC style CARRY-IN Lunch, with hamburgers and hot dogs. Congregation brings sides.

6:30 p.m. Hope Restored

**6/9: SUMMER WHIZ KIDS (1-4 p.m.) &
UNPLUGGED (2:15-4 p.m.) Begins!**

6/12: 5:30-8 p.m. Friday Night Youth Event

**6/14: WORTH DYING FOR, SO LIVE IT! A God
Sized Rescue Is Necessary! God Reality, Not
Just My Experience**

6/20: Trotwood Food Outreach 9:30-11:30 a.m.

6/21: BREAKING THE CULTURAL ADDICTION.

Be Dad, Not Dud? Hassan Mosoka, Message

6:30 p.m. Hope Restored

**6/24-27: Allegheny West Annual Conference,
Global Methodist Church**

**6/27: Outreach To Streets & Shelters. 12-4
p.m.**

**6/28: BREAKING THE CULTURAL ADDICTION.
Bless, Not Curse? James 3: 3-12. Matt 5: 21-22.**

7/5: BREAKING THE CULTURAL ADDICTION.

Commit, Not Just Hang? Matthew 5: 33-37.

- Communion.

6:30 p.m. Hope Restored

7/10: 5:30-8 p.m.. Friday Night Youth Event

7/12: BREAKING THE CULTURAL ADDICTION.

Better Together, Not Apart?

1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Hebrews 10: 19-25.

- 2nd Sunday Offering: Mad River School Supplies.
- ALL CHURCH CARRY-IN. "Better Together."

7/18: Trotwood Food Outreach 9:30-11:30 a.m.

7/19: BREAKING THE CULTURAL ADDICTION.

**My Sin Addiction, Not Those Addicts? Eph 4: 17
-24**

- Men's Drop In Center Presentation During Service,
And Tour Afterward. James Wing.

6:30 p.m. Hope Restored

7/24: Outreach To Streets & Shelters 12-4 p.m.

7/26: BREAKING THE CULTURAL ADDICTION

SUMMER SCHEDULE:

**8/2: "Destroy The Pillars, Christ The Corner-
stone." Message: Logan Carr ▪ Communion**

6:30 p.m. Hope Restored

**8/4: RIVERSIDE NIGHT OUT at Stebbins H.S.
6-8 p.m.**

8/7: 5:30-8 p.m. Friday Night Youth Event

8/9: "Where is your treasure?"

Matthew 6:2. Steve Hoke, Message

8/15: Trotwood Outreach 9:30-11:30 a.m.

8/16: "Transitioning With Grace."

Hassan Mosoka, Message

6:30 p.m. Hope Restored

WOMEN'S EMMAUS RETREAT #115

August 20-23, Sulphur Grove Church

8/22: Outreach To Streets & Homeless 12-4 p

**8/23: "Jesus Teamwork!" Get In God Right
Order.**

- ALL CHURCH CARRY-IN "Jesus Teamwork"

**8/23: 6-8 p.m. "JESUS TOOLBOX" Tools to
mentor new believers into Community**

**8/24: Day of Giving Back Volunteers
Spinning Hills Middle 10:00am-4:00pm**

**8/30: "Jesus Teamwork!" Know Whose & Who
You Are in Christ.**

6:30 p.m. Hope Restored

**9/6: "Jesus Teamwork!" Honor & Love The
Other ▪ Communion**

9/13: "God At Work!" Amanda Wing, Message

- Homemade Lunch: Sally & Family

6:30 p.m. Hope Restored

MEMBERSHIP/Welcome Class begins.

Week of 9/13

9/18: 5:30-8 p.m. Friday Night Youth Event

9/19: BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP Begins

Saturdays 9:30a.m. Online only

Book of Romans Claire Facilitating

9/19: Trotwood Outreach 9:30-11:30 a.m.

**9/20. "Jesus Teamwork!" Together Faithful To
Love & Honor The Other**

**SATURDAY 9/26 12:00-4:00pm
ALL CHURCH YARD SALE**



WHIZ KIDS IS 10 YEARS OLD!

What a blessed event we had on May 5th, celebrating 10 years of Whiz Kids! Chad Wyen, Superintendent of Mad River Schools, told the story of how he got a cold call from a pastor named Fritz Merkes who wanted to know what his church could do for the school district, and, as they say, the rest is history!



I, personally, had been so worried about the event. We had talked as a team briefly at the beginning of the school year that we would keep it simple, but that was about all the planning that happened until January or February. As it got closer to the event, I began to get a little panicky. Would enough people come? Would it be "enough" celebration? But God made it clear to me that I was thinking more about what others thought and not what God wanted. So a few weeks before, I prayed (and asked others to join me) that I would do what I needed to do, and that it would be a God honoring event.

And, so it was! God answered that prayer mightily! We had between 60-70 people, I think, which was a nice crowd. Four of our six 4th graders showed up to receive beautiful quilts that Diana, one of our team, made for them. But for me, the icing on the cake was when one of the school board members told me that he had never been in a room with so much love. Thank you God!



Whiz Kids really has made a difference! Our team has noticed the kids having more confidence and caring more about others. It's such an amazing thing to join God

in His work! *You can join God in His work with Whiz Kids, too! There are lots of ways to help! (next column)*



- We need drivers--we're expanding to Brantwood Elementary for pick up next school year!
- We need clean up helpers. The team is exhausted by 5 p.m., and having people come in to help clean up would be such a blessing!
- We always need mentors to be there for the kids.
- We also always need Prayer Angels who commit to pray and write notes of encouragement for the children.
- We need people to provide meals for the kids and the team.

And more that I can't think of right now!
Blessings to you all! Don't forget to pray for Whiz Kids!

In Jesus,
Claire



**DAY OF GIVING
BACK**
Monday August 24
10:00am-4:00pm
**Spinning Hills Middle
School**
**School Supplies &
937 Free Haircuts**



Besides the school supplies like back packs, pencils, scissors, markers, glue sticks, crayons, folders, notebook paper, the following will be available that day:

- **Bike helmets-supplied by "put a lid on it" grant**
- **Hygiene kits-Pastor Dan secured a grant to provide these kits**
- **Grab & Go Snacks-WPCU will be in the gym with these**
- **Neighborhood Bridges-Care Closet with clothing and other essentials**

This year, we are not prepacking the backpacks. We decided to let the students get their supplies from organized tables and fill their backpacks.

Our part in all this is supplying crayons and glue sticks for the backpacks. **The second Sunday offering in July is for Mad River School students school supplies.** If you'd like to help beyond this, you can volunteer to help at the supply tables on August 24 at Spinning Hills. Just contact Ellen in the office to get on the list to volunteer. Thank you in advance for your contributions! —Ellen

BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP COMING IN THE FALL

I am so excited that I will be an online group leader for Bible Study Fellowship in the Fall. I have been in an online group for several years now and have been so blessed by it, and I want to invite you all to do the same!

Bible Study Fellowship, or BSF for short, is, as summarized on their website, "an international Christian organization that offers structured, interdenominational Bible study for people of all ages and backgrounds."

I love BSF!

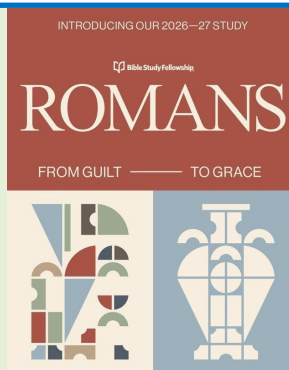
The first thing I love is that it's in-depth. Friends, this is not a fluff Bible study. It's a commitment to be in the Word daily, and to meet with your group (online in my case, though there are BSF groups that meet in person in our area!) for 9 months (September to May) to discuss. The materials are free online for you to print or you can purchase the book from the BSF website. Each week's study has daily questions to answer from specific Bible passages. This daily approach makes it manageable to fit into your schedule, and it likely won't take you hours to do. Then there is the weekly meeting to discuss the questions, then a lecture (about half an hour) to listen to and the lesson notes to read. The last two parts do take a bit of time but are very helpful.

Have you been hearing from God that He wants you to spend more time in His word? BSF is an amazing way to do that. It's always best to study the Bible in a group! **And this year's study is going to be on ROMANS!** What a great way to anchor yourself in the truth of God!

BSF groups meet in men only and women only groups. I like this for the personal nature of the things that are shared, because not only do you study the Bible together, but the group becomes a place of prayer as well. I can't tell you how many times I have shared prayer requests with my BSF group!

So, if you're interested in joining an online group with BSF, go to bsfonline.org and sign up! If you want to join my group, please contact me first. I haven't set up my group yet! But I can tell you that it will be on **Saturdays at 9:30 a.m., starting on September 19th!**

Grace and peace to you all!
In Jesus,
Claire




Community Prayer Calendar

June 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Julie Goodman Seeing Leg Doctor for Advice Richard U. for Shoulder Surgery	2 Our World, Country, State, City, and Churches	3 Time with Addiction CR: Leaders and Also Those From Worshippers	4 Leadership of the Church	5 Church Outreach Programs and Bible Study Groups	6 Pat and Charlotte Boyle Ministries
7 Pastor Fritz and Claire	8 Salvation for Family and Friends	9 Summer Whit Kids Unplugged SPARK	10 Seniors and Shut-ins	11 Prayers for Family and Friends Living with Loss	12 Children of the Church	13 Ellen's Neighbor Suite for Comfort, Peace, and Health
14 Pastor Hasaan and Jadhif Mossoka	15 Ellen's Sister Marta for Bone Marrow Transplant	16 Parents and Families with Teens Turning Their Back on God	17 Kikyeya Young's Mother for Financials	18 Rhonda's Sister Bey for Health	19 Rhonda M. for Madly	20 Prayers Ellen's Niece Nicole's Wedding
21 Pastor Sharon and Dale Kirby Zear & Youth Ministry	22 Seniors with Financial Problems	23 Sharon Kirby's Mother	24 Rachel H. for Health	25 Jim (CR Driver) and Daughter Rachel for Health	26 Prayers for Emily (Our Custodian)	27 Prayers for Mark and Janet Creech
28 Steve Hoke Mike Raines Lay Ministry	29 Sandy Y. for Health Rachel H. Family	30 Rhonda M. Thone Shipping from Recovery Back into Addiction	Reminders: If concerns are unknown pray: God's will be done Know God is with you For salvation Isaiah 26:3-4 John 14:27			

Therefore... Pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. James 5:16 NIV

The June Community Prayer Calendar is available now on the resource tables. Look for the bright yellow copy, take one and "LET US PRAY!" "Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." Philippians 4:6