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# June 2024



## A Letter From the Pastor

In June of 2019, now 5 years ago, my family and I arrived in Chatsworth. I have been blessed to serve as pastor of CFMC for 5 years. When I was appointed here I had 2 years' experience as an associate pastor and no experience as a lead pastor of a church. I thank you for allowing me to grow and learn and even make mistakes along the way.

We have had our share of challenges during these 5 years together. We only had a few months after I became pastor before Covid crashed into all of our lives. I was forced to reevaluate all my hopes and plans for the church. Together we have also endured the difficult and uncertain path of disaffiliating from the UMC. We have also grieved together as several faithful members of our church family have gone on to glory.

You have certainly given me many reasons to give thanks for you. During our 5 years together, my family and I have been so blessed by the relationships we have formed. You were there for us when Julie's dad died in 2021. Then you were there for us when my dad died in 2023. Julie and I are especially thankful for your love for our children. The preschool has been such a blessing to us. When we arrived, my children were ages 3, 1, and 6 months. Now my 2 boys have graduated out of our preschool/kindergarten program and Lydia will be in kindergarten this upcoming school year. Thank you for your ministry to and support of me and my family.

I thank God for these 5 years and all that God has done at CFMC. I am excited about continuing fruitful ministries, new ministries that have started and some more starting soon, for more lives transformed by the grace of God, and for the Lord adding to our number. I am even more excited now about CFMC and look forward with great hope of what God is doing in and through us as a family of believers. What amazing things does God want to do through us in the next year, the next 5 years, the next 10 years? What challenges will we endure together? What fruit will come from the seeds we sow in our ministries? What lives will be transformed?

God can do immeasurably more than we can even imagine in the years to come. In closing, I leave you with these verses from Ephesians 3:2-21, which were the theme of the recent conference of the North Georgia Conference of the Global Methodist Church. "Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen."

Blessings,  
Pastor Graham



## Sunday

- 9 AM In-Person Worship
- 10 AM Sunday School
- 11 AM In-Person Worship
- 11 AM Facebook Live Worship
- 6-8 PM UNITED Youth Group

## Wednesday

- 7 PM Choir Rehearsal



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Upcoming Sermons

Date	Sermon	Scripture
June 2	Matthew 6:1-18	Living in the Kingdom of God: Humble Holiness
June 9	Matthew 6:19-24	Living in the Kingdom of God: Single-Minded Devotion to God
June 16	Matthew 6:25-34	Living in the Kingdom of God: Turn Worry Into Prayer
June 23		*Guest Precher Kevin Schmidt*
June 30	Matthew 7:1-6	Living in the Kingdom of God: To Judge Or Not to Judge

### New Members



### Father's Day



### UPCOMING EVENTS

Month of June - Lemonade in the Courtyard on Sunday mornings following 11AM services

- June 9 UNITED Youth Swimming 6-8PM
- June 9 Methodist Men Breakfast
- June 14 Chatsworth First Methodist Women to Toccoa River Restaurant
- June 16 Father's Day
- June 18 Roadrunners to Amish Farmers Market & Farmhouse Restaurant
- June 19 Office Closed
- June 22 Heather & Zach Tilson Drop-in Baby Shower, 2-5 PM
- July 7 4th of July BBQ Church Meal
- July 14-July 18 Vacation Bible School @ 6-8:15 PM
- July 20-22 Youth Summer Camp
- September 8 Homecoming

### Lemonade and Cookies







## MINISTRIES

### UNITED Youth

**2024 CFMC Youth SUMMER EVENTS**

Sunday, June 9th 6:00-8:00pm  
Swimming at the Griffin's

Sunday, June 23, 6:00-8:00pm  
Youth Bible Study & Games @FMC

Sun. July 14-18 VBS  
Please plan to volunteer!

**Sign Up** → Youth Summer Camp---July 20-22  
The Wilderness Indoor Water Park, Pigeon Forge  
More Info & Pricing TBD  
(Let Mandy know by June 9th if you plan to attend.)

Sun. Aug. 4 6:00-8:00pm  
Swimming @The Pannell's House

Sun. Aug. 11 6:00-8:00pm Bible Study &  
Indoor Pickle Ball @FMC Gym

Sun. Aug. 18 6:00-8:00pm Bible Study &  
Relay Games/Activities @FMC Gym

Sun. Aug 25 Leave right after  
11am Church: Go to  
'NOOGA SPLASH  
(Cost: \$20+lunch/ice cream)  
Return to the Church: 7:00pm

 More Info: Text  
Mandy  
706-537-2185

### Children's Ministry

**END OF SCHOOL LUAU FOR CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**  
**SUNDAY, JUNE 2ND @ 3PM**  
**INFLATABLES, SNACKS, GAMES**

AGES PRESCHOOL TO 5TH GRADE



**Vacation Bible School**  
**Sunday, July 14-Thursday, July 18**  
**6:00-8:15 PM**







### King's Clothesline Clothing Closet

**KING'S CLOTHESLINE CLOTHING CLOSET - CLOSED UNTIL JUNE 27**

We will be closed until  
Thursday, June 27 (2-4PM)





### Chatsworth First Methodist Women

**CHATSWORTH FIRST METHODIST WOMEN**  
**FRIDAY, JUNE 14**  
**TRIP TO TOCCOA RIVER RESTAURANT**







## Roadrunners



**Roadrunners June Trip**  
**Tuesday, June 18**  
**(9AM to 2PM)**  
Amish Farmers Market & Farm House Restaurant  
Contact Deborah Yarbrough at 706-671-7169 by  
Sunday, June 16 if you plan to go.



For our June Roadrunner's trip we will leave the church at 9:00 am on Tuesday, June 18 with our first destination the Delano Community Farmers Market, also known as the Amish Farmers Market. We will have over an hour of shopping time in the market. This is a nice little farm market located out in the countryside near Delano, Tennessee. It is owned and run by an Old Order Mennonite Community. Our last stop will be the Farm House Restaurant in Etowah, Tennessee.

We will return to the church around 2:00pm. Cost for this trip will be gas to refill the bus and our usual collection for the driver's lunch. You will be responsible for items purchased at the market and your own lunch.

Please text or call Deborah Yarbrough at 706-671-7169 by Sunday, June 16 if you plan to go. Remember, everyone is a Roadrunner and all are welcome to participate if there is room on the bus.



**Which Ride is Right For You?**

We have three options for riding the rails at Andrews Valley Rail Tours.

**1 RailBike**



**2 Cart Ride**



**3 Choo-Choo**



**Roadrunners to Andrews, North Carolina to Ride RailBikes**  
**When: Tuesday, August 6 (8:30 AM to 3:30 PM)**  
**Cost: \$60 (Due by Sunday, June 16)**



The conductor will shout 'All Aboard' for our August Roadrunner's trip as we leave the church at 8:30 am on Tuesday, August 6. We will be traveling over the mountains to Andrews, North Carolina to ride the RailBikes to enjoy the ride aboard North Carolina's First RailBike Tour for the 5-mile trip to the Historic Valley River Tunnel. Take in the views from the beautiful valley that offers you the opportunity to experience beautiful mountains, forests, and abundant wildlife. You will see crystal clear mountain rivers and streams as you cross Historic open deck railroad bridges on your trip to the tunnel. Once there you will have about 1/2 hour to check out the tunnel (which was hand carved by workers from Southern Railway in 1894) and the surrounding area. After your break, you will re-embark for the 5-mile trip back to Andrews for an opportunity to see things you missed on the trip out, so do not forget that camera! There are three riding options:

1-The RailBike is pedal motor-assisted, like e-bikes. Each RailBike seats four people.

2-The Cart Ride holds 9 people in captain's chairs that swivel and have arm rests, with no pedaling required.

3-The Choo-Choo Speeder Ride is in a gas-powered speeder and holds 2 people, with no pedaling required. A driver will drive the Speeder for you as you ride along.

ALL RIDES have individual seat belts for each rider. Riders must be at least 8 years old. You may bring drinks or snacks for the ride if you like. After the ride we will stop at Rib Country in nearby Murphy, NC for lunch. This small chain restaurant is known for their smoked meats and signature sauces, plus house made cobblers for dessert. After lunch we will return to the church around 3:30pm.

Cost for this trip will be \$60.00 plus gas to refill the bus and our usual collection for the driver's lunch. You will be responsible for your own lunch. No refunds are available, but you may transfer your tickets to others if need arises. Please text or call Deborah Yarbrough at 706-671-7169 and give her your money by Sunday, June 16 if you plan to go. When making reservations, please specify if you want the RailBikes, the Cart Ride, or the Choo-Choo Speeder seating.



## MINISTRIES

### Baby Shower



Anyone who like to drop in is more than welcome. Gifts are not required but your attendance, smiles, and wishes are welcome.

### Praise Band



### Methodist Men Breakfast



## MEMORIALS

<u>Donor</u>	<u>Fund</u>	<u>In Memory of</u>
Ralph Ausmus	Saturday Sacks	Reginald Craft
Wesley & Lesley Herndon	The Academy	Stella Jones
Billy & Malissa Steele	Saturday Sacks	Andy Waters
Julius & Cindy Weyman	Sound System	Andy Waters



## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Cedric and Brooke (Kevin Schmidt)(May 23)**- UPDATE we provided meals for Brooke & Cedric and their family up until the time of the birth of their baby. Brooke gave birth on May 16 to baby Lucas. Lucas has been in the NICU and will remain there for at least a couple more weeks. He has a feeding tube and they are working on getting him to feed from a bottle. Brooke is recovering but still has a ways to go. Please lift them up in prayer.

**Bill Black (Mary Ann Black) (May 21)**- is in the hospital in Brunswick, GA (they were on a trip to Jekyll Island). He has pneumonia and is receiving oxygen and fluids.

**Melissa Cochran (Tammie Henderson) (May 6)**- has breast cancer and is undergoing chemo and radiation

**Stacey Gosnell (Tammie Henderson) (May 6)**- has kidney failure following TBI and multiple medications for multiple years

**Ophelia Hall (Sheree McEntire) (May 23)** Per Ms. Hall's daughter - is at home with COVID 19. Please pray for her and my son, Josiah and their speedy recovery.

**Janice Harris (Susan Walls)-(May 16)** had surgery to remove a cancerous tumor in her breast. Surgery was successful, and she was able to go home the same day. They biopsied her lymph nodes and will have the results in 5-7 days. Please pray for her recovery and good results from the biopsy.

**Filbert Lewis**- Ongoing health challenges

**Tom Martin**- is at Quinton Rehab recovering from skin graft surgery from a large 3rd degree burn on his leg.

**Steven Miracle (Melissa Sneads) (May 23)** has been undergoing treatments for a cancerous tumor and the doctor told him yesterday that it has shrunk enough to be 100% removed. The surgery will take place at Piedmont Hospital on June 24th. Thanking you in advance for your prayers!

**Allyn Walls**- recently graduated from Army basic training and will move on to the next phase of training. Please pray for Allyn, Susan, and Lily.

**Ruth Woods (May 21)**-UPDATE is doing worse and was moved to Gordon Hospital. She may have an infection in her knee, but it is still trying to be determined what the root cause is. Please continue to pray for her.

**Amber Walls (May 20)** Please pray that her and her children's immediate prayers will be met.

### Join us as we extend Christian sympathy to:

**Family of Reginald Craft**- Reginald Craft died May 15 at Regency in Dalton. Please pray for his wife Joyce, sons Terry and Brian, and their whole family.

**Family of Ophelia Hall** whose brother-in-law passed away.



**Remember our family and friends in the service.**





# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Flowers for the Sanctuary

June 2 Frank Ward  
 June 9 Reba Jones  
 June 16 Shawn Davis & Hollie Martin  
 June 23 David & Gayle Bean  
 June 30  
 July 7 Ruth Woods  
 July 14  
 July 21 Tommy & Mary Nathan Kendrick  
 July 28 Billy & Anne Childers

## Operations (As of 5/23/2024)

**MTD-\$ 20,149**

**YTD-\$ 168,291**

## Nursery Schedule

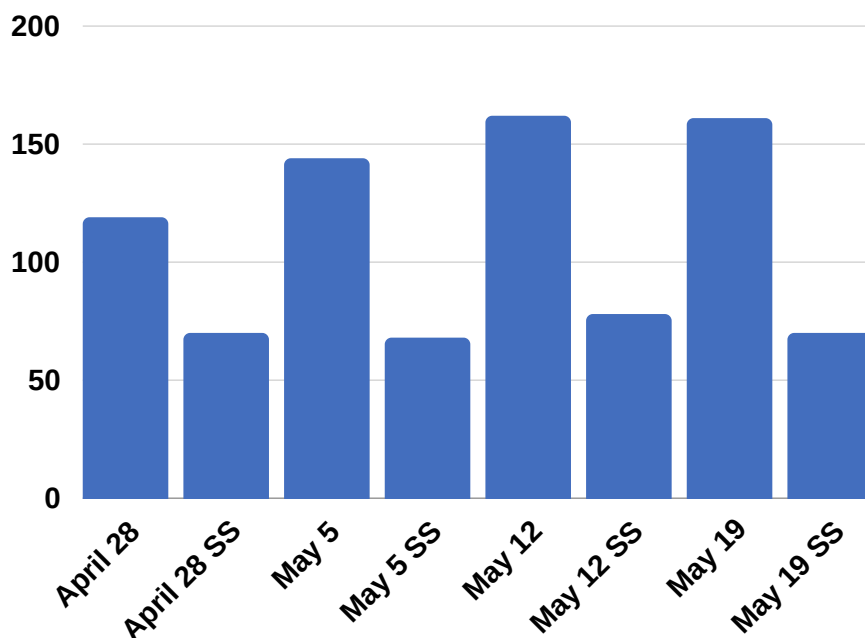
Date	9AM	10AM	11AM
June 2	Shawn Davis	Lisa Loughridge	Rhonda Kilgore
June 9	Paula Catoe	Julie Arp	Nancy Long
June 16	Paula Catoe	Sandy Griffin	Mary Ann Black
June 23	Laura Sparks	Christie Rainey	Judy Young
June 30		Cassidy Powell	Susan Walls

## Giving Opportunities

**\*Boxes and Monetary  
Donations for Food Drive**

**\*Missionary Gifts**

## Attendance



## BIRTHDAYS

June 3 Liam Miller  
 June 3 Caitlyn Petty  
 June 4 Steve Sparks  
 June 6 Molly Loughridge  
 June 8 Neil Keener  
 June 9 Gage Flanigan  
 June 10 Melodie Burger  
 June 11 Bree Flanigan  
 June 14 Kate Pannell  
 June 17 Gayle Bean  
 June 17 Ophelia Hall  
 June 18 Michael Loughridge  
 June 19 Rhonda Kilgore  
 June 21 Steve Hawkins  
 June 23 Daniel Howard  
 June 24 Bill Black  
 June 24 Lily Walls  
 June 25 Gina Plemons  
 June 27 Lynn Lowman  
 June 28 Lynne Long