



# COALVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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## June 2025 Newsletter



**From the Pen of Bro. Len**

### **So God Made a Father**

At the dawn of time, God looked down on all He had made and said, "Now, I need a caretaker."

*So, God made a father.*

God said, "I need someone to teach children to fish, and to ride a bike without training wheels, and to play catch in the backyard. It must be someone who's tough enough to run a chainsaw and wield a machete and yet, gentle enough to join his little girl and her dolls for tea."

*So, God made a father.*

"I need someone to bring the car around when it's raining, so everyone else can stay dry. Someone who will keep jumper cables in his truck, just in case he needs to help a stranger. I need someone to notice practical things, like how the tread on the tires is wearing and if the weather stripping around the front door needs replacing, for no one else will."

I'll create someone who's strong enough to open a tightly sealed jelly jar and tall enough to place the angel on top of the [Christmas](#) tree. Someone who will be gracious enough to let his son fish the best fishing hole or to let his daughter win at least one hand of gin rummy."

"Yes, he will struggle to find his glasses and keys," God thought. "But I'll help him find time for the important things, like tumbling with the kids in the den floor, or saying 'I'm proud of you, son,' or giving Mama a hug."

*So, God made a father.*

God said, "I need someone brave enough to carve the [Thanksgiving](#) turkey, for no one else seems to want the job. Someone who's not afraid to go into Grandma's dark cellar, or to check on what goes bump in the night, or to remove the dead mouse from the mousetrap."

"I need someone wise enough to know when to let his child fail. Someone who will pick her up, dry her tears and say, '*Honey, I know you can do it! Give it another try.*'"

"I need someone who listens more than he talks. Who will stand by his family through laughter and tears, tornadoes and snowstorms, good times and bad. **Someone who will love his kids and love their mother even more.**"

*So, God made a father.*

God said, "I need someone to provide for the family. Someone who will get up early and stay up late and never complain. I need someone who's willing to make unpopular decisions and stand by them. Someone to provide authority and discipline, as well as love."

**"I need someone with broad shoulders, broad enough to carry a little child around town and broad enough to pull more than his fair share.** Yes, I need someone who will work the second-shift, or take second-best, or play second fiddle, so that his family can have it better than he did."

"I need someone who is *willing* . . . willing to man up and provide the love, support and strength his family will so desperately need."

*So, God made a father.*

"Sometimes, he will not feel worthy of the love his family gives him. There will be times when he fails to live up to my ideal standard. But when his family needs him, he will show up, or give up, or do whatever needs to be done." Yes, that's exactly what I need," thought God as He shook His head. "A father to love my children, and if necessary, to lay down his life for them. Someone . . . *well, someone like Me.*"

### **So, God made a father.**

He is the first hero a little child will ever know.

His influence lasts much longer than his life.

He is an *earthly* portrayal of the Heavenly Father.

On Father's Day, our nation will pause to celebrate our fathers. But it might be difficult for you to celebrate because your father is no longer around. Or maybe your relationship with your father is broken, or not what you hoped it would be.

Even if you can't celebrate with your earthly father on Father's Day, you can still celebrate with your Heavenly Father.

**If you belong to God, then you have a great Father.** And because you are His, you can never be called fatherless. The Lord even gave you His name to wear. Wear it with pride. You are a treasured member of His family.

This Father's Day, you can celebrate God's promises to you:

- He will never leave you or abandon you. [Heb. 13:5](#)
- God has reserved a place for you at His table. [Eph. 2:6](#)
- He will give you strength when you're weak. [Is. 40:29](#)
- The Lord will love you always. [Ps. 118:1](#)
- God will protect you. [2 Thess. 3:3](#)
- He will help you keep going. [Ps. 54:4](#)
- The Lord will comfort you in hard times. [Ps. 23:4](#)
- He will give you everlasting life. [Jn. 6:40](#)

This Father's Day, remember to honor your Heavenly Father, *first*. Then be sure to honor your earthly father (or a father you love). Here are a few ideas:

- Give your father a hug and a heartfelt thank you.
- Overlook your differences. Extend him grace and understanding.
- Surprise your Dad.....Make a call or a visit.

Send a [Father's Day](#) card telling your Dad that you love him.

One day your Dad will pass from here to Heaven. Before that happens, Let your Dad know how much he means to you and how thankful you are for all he did/does. (The Poem is from an article I copied many years ago)

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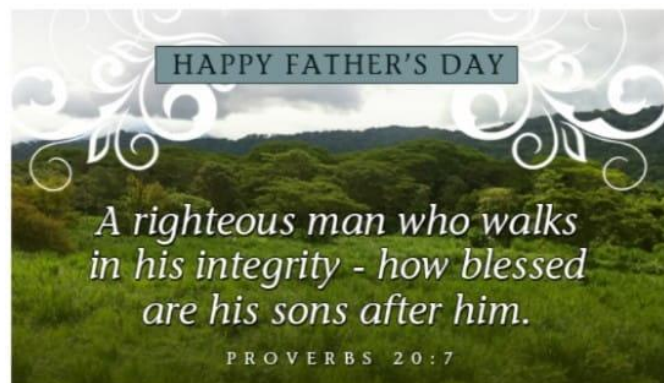
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**NO SENIOR LUNCHEON FOR JUNE.**

## CORNERSTONE

Hello from Cornerstone. Welcome to June. We hope everyone has a fantastic Father's Day.

We are so enjoying the merging of our services. It has turned out to be such a blessing to worship with ALL of the church on Sundays.

Do you ever wonder about your faith? Struggle with keeping it? Remember the story about Elijah's faith in 1 Kings 18:44? He believed so strongly that God was going to send the rain. He knew that if he could just see one small cloud that God was getting ready to send the rain. And that's exactly what happened. He had faith even in the smallest fragment of a cloud that he saw.

Growing up in south Mississippi, we spent many days at the beach or going out to the islands. As we started the day, if we saw that fragment of a cloud, we would hope it didn't mean rain was going to spoil our day. But sometimes the clouds don't mean rain for where we are. They are just beautiful puffs in the sky to enjoy and observe as they float by or form characters with their edges. Maybe if we are struggling to keep the faith, God sends us beautiful clouds to remind us that He's there, tending to everything and everyone, as always. Kind of like our own clouds of faith.

Because of Elijah's faith, "God strengthened him mightily." Let us do the same. Keep the faith no matter how small the sign. God will take care of us in our struggles.



### *From Jan*

**VBS:** It's almost here! Please be in prayer and if you are interested come give us a hand. I promise you will be blessed. This very important ministry is the only time some of the kids hear about Jesus. There are many ways to help!



**Brothers and Sisters of Christ, Thank you for praying for our church.**

The month of May started off with our body of Christ coming together in unity for worshipping **our one and only true King of Kings and Lord of Lords**. We are experiencing His Presence through His Holy Spirit and it has been awesome.

Reflect for a moment: our Mother's Day attendance put a smile on God's face and joy in His heart. We, as the body of brothers and sisters of Christ, can do the same thing **'every Sunday!'** Be open for His Holy Spirit moving us forward. Yes, the Lord's day is as important as any other special event. Let's continue to bring our family and friends to worship so they too can be blessed by the hearing of the Word **with family.**

Suggestion: read and pray these together **as a family.** 🙌🙏

**June 1<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>:** Serve the Lord as a family. Joshua 24:15

**June 8<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>:** Praise Him together. Psalm 34:3

**June 15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>:** Live together in harmony. Psalm 133:1

**June 22<sup>nd</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup>:** Work together for common good. Galatians 6:2

**June 29<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>:** Enjoy motivation from one another. Hebrews 10:24 – 25

**Worshipping together has valuable practice. We are setting the example for the younger generation as God desires. Family is precious.** ❤️

### **VBS Schedule**

**June 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Wednesday – Friday**

**5:30 – 8:15 PM**

**Saturday**

**10:30 AM – 1 PM**

**Sunday**

**6 PM, Closing Program**



The J.A.M. kids enjoyed a nice day at the park. We appreciate the parents that went to help us out! We will continue to meet during the summer having fun while we learn about the Beatitudes.



Our little Sunday School class have fun learning the Bible!



## Anniversaries

### Birthday

### Monthly Events

### Scheduled Meetings

### Weekly Events

CLC – Christian Life Center

FH – Fellowship Hall

S – Sanctuary

CW – Contemporary Worship

TW – Traditional Worship

2<sup>nd</sup> SL – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Luncheon

AB – Administrative Board

BG – BUNCO Group

CB – Cornerstone Band

CC – Cemetery Committee

DT – Daisy Troop

FISH – Young Adults

JAM – Children's Ministry

MT – Mission Team

SL – Senior Luncheon

UMYF - Youth

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 9 AM, SS, FH 10 AM, W, S  4:30 PM, JAM, CLC 6 PM, UMYF & FISH, CLC	<b>2</b> [-----]	<b>3</b> Edna Ohm  5 PM, Yoga, CLC 6:30 PM, CB, S	<b>4</b> -----VBS-----	<b>5</b> Charlie Arnold -----PREP-----	<b>6</b> Barbara Jones [-----]  7 PM, AA, FH	<b>7</b> Aron McRaney CLC Reserved---}
<b>8</b> 9 AM, SS, FH 10 AM, W, S  Sophie Plummer  4:30 PM, JAM, CLC 6 PM, UMYF & FISH, CLC	<b>9</b>  6 PM, AB, FH	<b>10</b> Tom Bocek  5 PM, Yoga, CLC 6:30 PM, CB, S	<b>11</b> -----VBS-----	<b>12</b> Thomas Arnold Tommy Butler 12 – 3 PM, BG, FH -----PREP-----	<b>13</b>  7 PM, AA, FH	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> 9 AM, SS, FH 10 AM, W, S  Todd Webb  4:30 PM, JAM, CLC 6 PM, UMYF & FISH, CLC	<b>16</b> Mike Field	<b>17</b>  5 PM, Yoga, CLC 6:30 PM, CB, S	<b>18</b> -----VBS-----	<b>19</b> Wes & Janna Householder -----PREP-----	<b>20</b>  7 PM, AA, FH	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 9 AM, SS, FH 10 AM, W, S  4:30 PM, JAM, CLC 6 PM, UMYF & FISH, CLC	<b>23</b> Jerry Byrd	<b>24</b>  6:30 PM, CB, S	<b>25</b> -----VBS BEGINS----- 5:30 – 8:15 PM	<b>26</b> 5:30 – 8:15 PM	<b>27</b> 5:30 – 8:15 PM  7 PM, AA, FH	<b>28</b> Becky Anti Dylan Childers 10:30 AM – 1 PM
<b>29</b> 9 AM, SS, FH 10 AM, W, S  Stephanie Plummer  6 PM, VBS Closing Program CLC	<b>30</b> Cathy Mechanic	<b>Backpack Blessings</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> – Beanie Weanies 8 <sup>th</sup> – Ramen noodles 15 <sup>th</sup> – Ravioli 22 <sup>nd</sup> – tuna 29 <sup>th</sup> – mac & cheese				