



COALVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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July 2026 Newsletter



From the Pen of Bro. Len:

Let Freedom Ring

*God alone made it possible
for you to be in Christ Jesus.*

For our benefit God made Christ to be wisdom itself. He is the one who made us acceptable to God. He made us pure and holy, and he gave himself to purchase our freedom.

As we gather this July 4th to celebrate our 250th Anniversary of Freedom, it would seem right that we take a moment to reflect and personalize this celebration of our individual and corporate freedoms by considering a handful of questions. What does “freedom” mean to me? To me as a person/citizen of America? Why should I care about this celebration? What does it mean to me to hear the stories of those who fought, suffered, sacrificed and died so long ago? What would “they” think about the country they fought and suffered for if they could be transported to our nation today? Would they be proud of what they sacrificed for? Would they be angered? Would they weep over the nation they loved? What can I DO to honor their sacrifice and the sacrifice of

so many others who helped build this nation and gift her with Freedom and Liberty?

Although the Declaration of Independence pronounced the colonies free from British rule on July 4, 1776, freedom does not come without a price. Through the Revolutionary War, our nation’s freedom was paid for by the blood and sacrifice of the men and women who fought for their dream of what would become the United States. The battles were not easy and the years took their toll on our young nation. In the end, the price was paid and freedom achieved. By 1781, the Fourth of July was named a national holiday and today, fireworks, parades and picnics still mark this celebration.

The Gospel message preaches a similar tune. We have been given freedom in Christ. We have freedom from death caused by sin. Here again, our freedom was secured at a great cost. God sent His only Son to die and shed His blood for us. The ultimate price of freedom was paid through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross. Although the cost was high,

Jesus' death and sacrifice purchased the freedom of anyone who trusts in Him. By faith, we become children of God and co-heirs with Christ. Through Him, we are made pure, holy and blameless; all gifts God gives to us freely.

Still, with this freedom comes tremendous responsibility. The gift of freedom is not a license to do as you please. Rather, it is a calling to live unselfishly and righteously. Freedom rings when you choose not to indulge all your desires, but choose to live a life honoring the Lord.

As you enjoy Fourth of July festivities and celebrate the freedom of our nation, say a prayer of thanks to God for the freedom from sin He has given you, and for the life He has given you to live now and throughout all eternity with Him.



*May God Bless
the USA*

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Brothers and Sisters



June was a busy month also. We praise God that all things went well last month, and our **Fathers** enjoyed their special

day with their family. We turned our hearts and attention to **VBS** and 'all' things went well for this event. May God continue to bless the children that received this ministry. Now, it is very important that each of us pray continually for peaceful events in our nation and especially this **4th of July** and **our 250th celebration of our Great Nation**.

We are blessed to be able to communicate with our Creator and treasure those moments of prayer with Him. We honor Him by praising Him for all He has done, all He is doing, and all He will do for His Kingdom. Every prayer should begin with praise to the one who is infinite in all His ways. May each of us be mindful of the messages of praise we hear in our songs in worship.

July 1st- 4th: Praise Him for His unfailing love. Ps. 100:1-5

July 5th – 11th: Praise is an invitation to worship. Ps. 95:1-11

July 12th – 18th: Give Him our praise and adoration. Ps. 111:1-10

July 19th – 25th: Keep a thankful and grateful attitude every day. Ps. 92:1-8

July 26th - Aug. 1st: There is joy in companionship with God. Ps. 16:5-11

Suggestion: Read aloud a Psalm every day before beginning prayer & devotional time.



CORNERSTONE

Hello from Cornerstone. Welcome to July!

We pray everyone has a safe and happy 4th of July.

On Saturday, July 25th, Devry is hosting an event in the CLC. There will be several musician/band friends of Devry coming together and playing music. In addition to those bands, Cornerstone will play a few songs, Ginger will be back doing some of her solo music, Wayne's other band, the Backwaters Band, will be playing. Come out and join us. Devry's desire is to have this opportunity for some who don't normally go to church, to have a comfortable setting to join in fellowship.

Jesus said: "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:14-16 NIV



Michael and Beth Roberts

Housewarming Party

Saturday, July 11th, 1:30

Come and Go

10124 Skyhawk Court, Biloxi, MS

We are so excited to invite everyone to come see our new house! Your PRESENCE is the only present we need, but if you feel so led to provide something more, a gift card of any kind will not go to waste.

CHURCH DIRECTORY!

Portraits will be taken July 12 and 13 in the Fellowship Hall. Please mark your calendars. Everyone that participates will get a free 8x10 and directory. Lots of members have grown their families since the last directory. There are also new faces in our congregation. We want everyone represented. Even if you are not a full member, but attend regularly. Call 1-877-896-9667 Ext 360 to schedule. Or Phyllis Trocheset 228-596-1049.

He Walks on the Water Open Jam

Saturday, July 25th starting at 2 PM

Coalville United Methodist Church
Christian Life Center
12298 Shorecrest Road
Biloxi, MS 39532



Christian and secular music collide. Full bands and open jam. Several musicians from the area will be performing. Open to the public. Donations received at the door will go to Coalville UMC.

It is World Drowning Prevention Day and we know that our Jesus can save us all.

Any questions, call Devry at 228-860-3212.



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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

We had an absolutely wonderfully blessed VBS this year! We had 38 children come, and 5 new ones we hope will start coming to JAM and church. We had the best team before and during VBS. It's a lot of work but worth every bit of it to see the children's love of Jesus grow! If you helped in any way I pray the Lord blesses you, and I thank God for each and every one of you.

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WHAT ARE APPORTIONED MISSION SHARES?

Apportioned giving is “fair share” giving. The general church, conference budgets, and district budgets are proportionally allocated to the local churches. This method of giving has become a strong, generous tradition for United Methodists to support the mission of The United Methodist Church.

Where does apportioned money go?

WORLD SERVICE

Expands the ministry of Jesus Christ around the world and here at home. The World Service Fund provides basic operating resources for the following ministries: Global Ministries, Communications, Discipleship, Higher Education and Ministry, Church and Society, Religion and Race, Finance and Administration, Status and Role of Women, Connectional Table, United Methodist Men, Interpretation Resources, Contingency Reserve.

MS UNITED METHODIST EXTENDED MINISTRY

Six Community Centers, (including Biloxi’s Moore Community House), Choctaw Mission, United Methodist Hour.

MS UNITED METHODIST CONFERENCE CLERGY SUPPORT

District Superintendents Fund, Spiritual Leadership, Equitable Compensation.

MS UNITED METHODIST CONFERENCE LEADERSHIP WORK AREAS

Conference Administration, Faith Community Formation, Connection/Communications.

UNITED METHODIST AND MS HIGHER EDUCATION SUPPORT

Mississippi Campus Ministries, Ministerial Education Fund, Millsaps College, Black College Fund, Rust College, Africa University Fund.

MS UNITED METHODIST CAMPING AND RETREAT CENTERS

Camp Lake Stephens, Camp Wesley Pines, Seashore Assembly, Gulfside Assembly.

UNITED METHODIST GENERAL/JURISDICTIONAL

Episcopal Fund, General Administration Fund, Southeastern Jurisdiction Apportionments, Interdenominational Cooperation.

If you would like to give to any of these apportionments, please mark your donation accordingly. Thank you.

For 2026, Coalville’s Apportioned Mission Shares Are:

Still due:

World Service, \$2136.26

Community Centers, \$695.68

Choctaw Mission, \$84.58

District Superintendents Fund, \$3,765.35

Spiritual Leadership, \$597.95

Equitable Compensation, \$607.15

Conference Administration, \$7,391.16

Connection/Communications, \$526.19

Mississippi Campus Ministries, \$1,675.65

Ministerial Education Fund, \$738.93

Millsaps College, \$459.96

Black College Fund, \$294.75

Rust College, \$459.96

Episcopal Fund, \$1,053.00

General Administration Fund, \$361.04

Interdenominational Coop, \$30.58

Paid in Full for 2026:

Gulf Pines District, \$2268.00

Africa University Fund, \$65.96

Camp Lake Stephens, \$269.94

Camp Wesley Pines, \$170.13

Seashore Assembly, \$284.20

Gulfside Assembly, \$84.58



Anniversaries

Birthdays

Monthly Events

Scheduled Meetings

Weekly Events

CLC – Christian Life Center

FH – Fellowship Hall

S – Sanctuary

W – Worship

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

July 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Backpack Blessings: 07/05 Peanut Butter 07/12 Small Cereal	07/19 Chicken Noodle Soup 07/26 Oatmeal/ Grits		1 Becky Maslowski, BD Chuck Burdine, BD Witt Weston, BD	2 Bob Torjusen, BD Carol Richardson, BD	3 Jana Franco, BD 7 PM, AA, FH	4 INDEPENDENCE DAY 250th
5 9 AM, SS, FH 10 AM, W, S 4:30 PM, JAM, CLC 6 PM, UMYF, CLC FISH, CLC	6 Joseph Byrd, BD	7 11:30 AM, SL, FH Juli Bocek, BD 5 PM, Yoga, CLC 6:30 PM, CB, S	8	9 12 – 3 PM, BG, FH	10 Greg Rushing, BD 7 PM, AA, FH	11 Michael and Beth Roberts Housewarming Party 1:30, come and go. 10124 Skyhawk Court Biloxi
12 9 AM, SS, FH 10 AM, W, S DIRECTORY PHOTOS/FH 4:30 PM, JAM, CLC 6 PM, UMYF, CLC FISH, CLC	13 DIRECTORY PHOTOS/FH 6 PM, AB, FH	14 Bob & Karen Sherlock, Anniv 5 PM, Yoga, CLC 6 PM, DT, CLC 6:30 PM, CB, S	15 Dylan Thomas, BD Karen Sherlock, BD	16	17 7 PM, AA, FH	18
19 9 AM, SS, FH 10 AM, W, S Levi Childers, BD 4:30 PM, JAM, CLC 6 PM, UMYF, CLC FISH, CLC	20 Tiffany Ludlow, BD	21 Dian McKaig, BD 5 PM, Yoga, CLC 6:30 PM, CB, S	22 Ronnie Plummer, BD	23	24 CLC RESERVED Devry Band Event 7 PM, AA, FH	25 CLC RESERVED Devry Band Event He Walks On The Water Open Jam 2PM
26 9 AM, SS, FH 10 AM, W, S Belle McGrew, BD 4:30 PM, JAM, CLC 6 PM, UMYF, CLC FISH, CLC	27	28 Lilliana Bowen, BD 5 PM, Yoga, CLC 6 PM, DT, CLC 6:30 PM, CB, S	29	30	31 7 PM, AA, FH	