

"In things agreed upon unity,
In other things liberty, In all things the will tobe one."

# NORRIS RELIGIOUS FELLOWSHIP

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**July 2025** 

Newsletter of the Norris Religious Fellowship Interdenominational Community Church

Summer is in full swing, and that's certainly true for our church. Here's a look at what's ahead:

Vacation Bible School follows hard on the heels of Norris Day. Our multi-church effort will take place on July 7-9, beginning each day at 8:30. Since we are the host church for this year's event, we will need volunteers on hand each day to serve in our kitchen to prepare and serve snacks. If you've not signed up but wish to participate, please let me know at your earliest convenience.

Calling all cooks! A group from the First United Methodist Church in Smyrna will be coming our way on Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup>. They'll be spending the night at our place that evening and will join us in worship on the Sunday, the 13<sup>th</sup>. We need some cooks to prepare a breakfast for our guests on the 13<sup>th</sup>. Again, if you can help out, please let me know as soon as possible. This group will also stay at our church on July 18<sup>th</sup> as they make their way home.

The 75<sup>th</sup> annual conference of the ICCC will take place July 22-24 at Lake Forest College in Lake Forest, Illinois. Thanks to the generosity of a number of our members, I will be on hand to represent our church on this significant occasion. I'll give you a full report upon my return.

Grace and peace,

Bill

#### Fancy Hats or Bonnets

Ladies and young ladies plan ahead for next Spring. Find your fancy bonnet!!! We have some exciting plans that we will announce soon.

#### **Church Directory**

If you are new to the church or your information has changed, please send your name, address, phone number, and date of birth to the church office if you would like to be included in the directory that will be published next month.

## **Norris Food Pantry**

The donation focus for the Norris Food Pantry for the month of June is shampoo & conditioner. Donations can be placed in the box in the narthex

The next distribution will be held on Thursday, July 24 from 8-12 at NUMC.



#### Fellowship Breakfast

Sunday, July 6

All are invited to join us for a hearty Shoney's breakfast at 9am in the back room.

#### **Fall Bazaar**

We are collecting items for the Fall Bazaar scheduled for October 18<sup>th</sup>. Please leave donations in the shed or the last classroom in the fellowship hall. Currently, we are not accepting books, furniture, large appliances, or electronics.

#### **Dollar Sunday**

Sunday, July 13

Offering of cash or school supplies for the ADFAC school Supply project.

# **Supper Club**

Tuesday, July 8th

Supper Club at PF Changs in Knoxville on Tuesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thursday, July 24

Prayer Shawl ministry will meet at 2pm to knit, visit, and dedicate some new shawls.

# **Study Group**

Tuesday, July 15

Women's Study Group will meet at 1:30pm in the Fellowship Hall and will finish our study of chasing vines by Beth Moore.



### **Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

Norris Religious Fellowship Executive Committee 5 June 2025

**Members Present:** Bill Ireland, Craig Shook, Jake Mounger, Louna Koeut, Joan Hughes, Susan Bowling, and Lee Borgers.

**Approval of Minutes:** Craig motioned for the minutes to be approved as written, Bill seconded, motion carried.

**Financial Report:** Overall, we're \$11,578 in the red. The General Fund is in the black. Bill and Joan are looking into getting a different accountant.

**Ministers Report:** VBS will be soon, they are looking for volunteers to assist. It will be held at the Fellowship this year.

The Ecumenical Group will meet next week to work on Youth Group.

Bill will be on vacation from June 16 to July 2. We will have a guest minister on June 17 and 29. Someone will need to open the church on those days. Jake volunteered to open the building. The air conditioning in the Office is working great! Thank you, Jim and Susan.

**Old Business:** Craig and Louna met and amended the text on the generic Contract for the Parsonage. A copy was given to the Executive Committee members to review.

**New Business:** Louna, Bill, & Jake will call contractors to see about getting the roof, gutter, and windows repaired where the large limb hit the building.

Susan made a motion to get quotes to remove the tree on the inside corner between the Church and the Narthex and to prune the tree, 3 limbs. Outside the men's room. Jake seconded, motion passed

The new printer has been installed.

Submitted by Lee Borgers



Paulette Booker
Joe Napolitano
Lois Wolfe
Robert Pierce
Mary Shelton
Col H.E Wolfe
Tracy Humphrey
Bud Blackwell
Lisa Rains
Jackson Igou

If you have a prayer request, you may send them to the church email at norrisrf@comcast.net

#### Let's Pray for one another

A simple way to do this is through our birthday calendar.

### July Birthday's

- 3 Dorian Pierce
- 4 Robert Pierce
- 10 Patti Treece
- 14 Carolyn Stribling
- 20 Linda Fowler Smith
- 19 Noam Haverkamp
- 23 Howard Helton
- 28 Zachary Denmark

Don't see your birthday listed? please email the church office at norrisrf@comcast.net

#### **July Greeters**

7-6 - Susan Bowling

7-13 - TBD

7-20 – Betty Karns, Fred & Cheryl Spaldi

7-27 - Laura & Joe Croft

#### Coffee & Fellowship

7-6 - Lee Borgers

7-13 - Yvonne Webb

7-20 - Kathy Decker and Paulette Booker

7-27 - Wendy Hall and David Hughes