

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

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THE BUILD

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<u>Newsletter of the Norris Religious Fellowship</u> Interdenominational Community Church

THE BOND—JUNE 2025

As I indicated last week, this year's Vacation Bible School will take place on July 7-9. Our church will host all of the activities, and we will likely be gearing up in earnest by the end of this month and prior to July 4th. Since we are the host church, we will need volunteers on hand each morning to serve snacks to our students. We'll have sign-up sheets available in the narthex soon.

Per usual, our giving has taken a bit of dip in advance of the summer months. Although we're still in good shape, I urge you to catch up on your giving if you're behind. And if you're able to do so, please drop a little extra in the plate. Your faithful generosity enables us to thrive. Thanks in advance for your faithfulness.

I have been reading James William McClendon, Jr.'s first volume in his systematic theology. At the outset he offers this quote from Dietrich Bonhoeffer:

In Jesus Christ we have faith in the incarnate, crucified, and risen God. In the incarnation we learn of the love of God for His creation; in the crucifixion we learn of the judgment of God upon all flesh; and in the resurrection we learn of God's will for a new world. There could be no greater error than to tear these elements apart; for each of them comprises the whole.

Let us hold fast to this "three-stranded" cord!

Grace and peace,

Bill

Norris Day

The Fellowship will have a booth at the July 4th celebration on the commons. Signup Sheets for cookies, booth workers, and face painting will be on the table in the narthex. We are a popular gathering place on the fourth.



Pictures

Have you noticed the Easter pictures in the Fellowship Hall? Many thanks to Debbie Belford. If you have end of school year or family pictures, please give them to Debbie and she will post them.

Norris Food Pantry

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

The next distribution will be held on Thursday, June 26 from 8-12.



Fellowship Breakfast

Sunday, June 1

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

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thursday, June 26

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

Dollar Sunday

Sunday, June 8

Offering for Norris Area Food Pantry to help defray the loss of federal grant money to Second Harvest and other suppliers. Please be generous to help our neighbors who need some extra assistance with food and household supplies.

Thank You

A big Thank You to Jim & Susan Miller for the new Hvac unit in the office!

Study Group

Tuesday, June 16

Women's Study group will continue their discussion of the book Chasing Vines by Beth Moore. We meet at 1:30 in the Fellowship Hall and will begin session 5, The Harvest.

Supper Club

Tuesday, June 10

Supper Club at Chop House in Fountain City at 6 pm. Please let Susan Miller know if you will attend so a reservation can be made.

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Norris Religious Fellowship Executive Committee 15 May 2025

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

Prayer: Bill opened the meeting with a prayer.

Approval of Minutes: Susan motioned to approve March minutes as written, Bill seconded, motion carried

Financial Report: We're in the negative about \$9,000 for the year. Some of April's donations were deposited in May.

Ministers Report: Bible School will be July 7 to 9 this year. The tree carving is done and will need to be sealed annually. The new AC unit for the office will be installed Friday or Saturday. The Boy Scouts will re-stripe the parking lot. Bill handed out a list of jobs for the Saturday workday. Someone is needed to install the new light fixtures in the Narthex.

Old Business: Craig and Louna haven't had time to make changes to the rental contract. The contract for the new copier is ready to be signed. Jake will get together with Ashley and sign it.

New Business: Brandon Berg (NUMC), Mother Mandy (St Francis), and Bill met and talked about a Youth Ministry. The Methodist have a point person.

We need a Nominating Committee. The names Emily Ott, Jim Ryland and Sara Brubaker were suggested. The members whose terms are expiring are Lee Borgers Susan Bowling, Jake Mounger, and Assistant Treasurer Jim Ryland.

Craig would like to try to put a second handrail on the stairs to the basement. He will check into it and get a list of expenses for the Executive Committee.

Next Meeting will be Thursday, 5 June 2025



The family of Ed McEleney The Issacs Family 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

June Greeters

- 6-1 David Hughes
- 6-8 Yvonne Webb
- 6-15 Kathy Smart
- 6-22 Phyllis & Howard Helton

6-29 - Tom Post

Let's Pray for one another

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

June Birthday's

- 3 Loy Johnson
- 9 Camille Romer
- 16 Dianne Cole
- 17 Emily Ott
- 20 William Borgers
- 24 Sally Haverkamp
- 25 Shannan Greenhouse
- 26 Hunter Vann
- 28 Jay Miller
- 28 Alison Greenhouse

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

Coffee & Fellowship

- 6-1 Yvonne Webb
- 6-8 Lee Borgers

6-15 - Kathy Decker and Paulette Booker

- 6-22 Wendy Hall and Tom Post
- 6-29 Joan Hughes