

COLEMANVILLE COMMUNICATOR

Your Monthly Newsletter of Happenings at
Colemanville United Methodist Church



June 2026

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United Methodist Church

"To Love Others, As God Loves Us"

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Address Services Requested

Worship Service:

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8:40 a.m.

Sunday School

10:15 a.m.

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Our Mission: To love others as God loves us... To be a lighthouse radiating God's love



A Meditation on the Power of the Spirit

If I'm being honest, I will tell you that I have always been crying out for God in prayers of lament: How long will the multitude suffer? Where are you, O God, in the midst of enormous evil in this world? Where are you, O Christ, in the middle of immense suffering of your children? When will the cruelty of the "powers that be" end? I cry out to God in the depths of my distress. Sighing, lamenting, and crying out in prayer, I would open my heart to be fully seized by the Spirit of God. Then, I would find myself being energized anew by the dunamis or power of the Holy Spirit and declare my scripture war cry:

*The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?*

*The LORD is the stronghold[a] of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?*

*When evildoers assail me
to devour my flesh—
my adversaries and foes—
they shall stumble and fall*

(Psalm 27:1-2 NRSVUE)

What I discovered about the dunamis (power) of the Spirit is that it is an enduring relational power that comes from God and is given back to God in a mutually self-giving relationship between the Triune God and us. The Spirit's dunamis provides not only strength, encouragement, and inspiration in our faith journey or spiritual battle, it also empowers us to "self-awareness, vulnerability, openness, empathy, and hope." Because the dunamis (power) of the Spirit is relational power, it has the ability to receive life-affirming and life-giving influences. At the same time,

it moves our hearts to affirm life and love everything that God loves. It is the power to be open-hearted, open-minded, and be constantly transformed according to the example of the Crucified and Resurrected Christ. Living in the power of the Spirit is to develop the mind of the self-emptying Christ in us so that we grow as healers, peacemakers, reconcilers, comforters, inspirers, and transformers in the world.

In this time of great uncertainties, fears, and anxieties, it is reassuring to know that the dunamis (power) of the Spirit embraces all of life and absorbs the tears and wails and blood of the victims of evil toward their redemption. It is hope-filled to know that the Spirit of the Risen Christ continues to save humanity and the whole creation out of the dominion of the dead into the realm of being fully alive in the redeeming and recreating dunamis (power) of God.

Pastor Manny



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

June 1st 9 :30 am – UWF Meeting

June 7th 10 am – Combined Service & Picnic

June 9th 6:30 pm – Trustees Meeting

June 14th – Graduation Sunday

June 14th – Fellowship following service

June 15th – 21st – Pastors Renewal Leave

June 16th – Widow/Widowers Luncheon

June 16th 6:30 pm – Church Council Meeting

June 21st – Father's Day

June 22nd – 24th – Vacation Bible School



COMMUNITY MEAL

We will be taking a break this summer. Our next Community Meal will be on Wednesday, September 9th. We will be having ham, green beans, and potatoes. Please reserve your meal by September 6th by calling the church office (717) 872-7951. We hope to see you then!



The next UWF meeting will be on June 1st at 9:30 am

Questions/Concerns can be addressed with UWF board members: Judy Rambo- President, Pat Collins- Vice President, Darlene Hunsberger- Secretary, Donna Eshleman- Treasurer

Combined Boehm's and Colemanville Church Communion Service and Picnic

Sunday, June 7th - There will be a combined Boehm's and Colemanville Church Communion Service and Picnic at Colemanville Church. Weather permitting, the Service will be held outdoors in our pavilion. If there is inclement weather, the service will be held inside. The Picnic will be held in our Fellowship Hall.

The Service will begin at 10 am, followed by the Picnic. Hot dogs, barbecue, and rolls will be provided. If your family name begins with A-L, you are asked to bring a dessert; if your family name begins with M-Z, you are asked to bring a side dish. If what you bring needs to be kept warm during the Service, please place it in a container that can go in the oven. Cold items will be placed in the refrigerator. Paper products, plasticware, and beverages will be provided. Chairs will be available in the pavilion, but if you wish, you can bring a lawn chair for the Service. For planning purposes, if you are planning on attending the Service and/or Picnic, please either sign up on the Sign-Up Sheet in the Church Narthex or contact the Church office (717-872-7951) by Sunday, May 31st.

SUNDAY SCHOOL INFORMATION

Sunday School classes will not meet in June/July/August. Classes will tentatively resume on September 13, 2026.

FELLOWSHIP TIME

Immediately after Church on Sunday, June 14th, there will be a Fellowship Time downstairs. Please join us for a beverage, light refreshments, and fellowship.



CONESTOGA FOOD BANK

Items needed: Jelly/Jam, Alfredo Sauce, Taco Kits, Canned Fruit, Dinty Moore Beef Stew, Canned Red Beets, Canned Carrots, Canned Peas/Carrots, Flavored Noodles, Flavored Potatoes, Muffin mix (Just add water). Please, no expired items; they cannot be accepted.



PASTOR RENEWAL LEAVE

Pastor Manny will be away from June 15th to June 21st for renewal leave. During this time, Donna Eshleman will give the message on June 21st. For emergencies or pastoral concerns during these times, please contact Dave Topper (717) 984-7600.



SENIOR RECOGNITION SUNDAY

June 14th – Senior Recognition Sunday- To be sure we don't overlook graduating high school or college seniors, please send their names to the church office with information about their graduation, school, and degree. Please give photos to Donna Eshleman so they can be included in the PowerPoint. You can also send photos by email to colemanvilleumc@outlook.com. We would like them as soon as possible for both the bulletin and PowerPoint.



PENNY JAR

The Penny Jar is located on the table in the Narthex. Funds collected through June will go to The Loft. Thank you, from the Mission Committee.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS is coming to Colemanville on Monday, June 22nd, Tuesday, June 23rd, and Wednesday, June 24th. from 9 am to 11:30 am. The ages will be 3 to 12. The theme is Babylon, "Daniel's Courage in Captivity". If you have any questions, call Sue Rineer at 717-872-4334.



COMMUNITY AID DONATIONS

Community Aid: Please give our Partner number #40101 when dropping off clothes at the Columbia Avenue/Good Drive location. Colemanville UMC will receive six cents per pound in donations. Donations are usually accepted Monday-Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

If you would like a card with our partner number, please see Michelle Smith.



Thinking of You:

- Tillie King
- Kate Harnish
- Joe Campbell

Our Shut-Ins:

- Grace Aukamp
- Eddie Harrington
- Bob Conn

Get Well Wishes:

- Cana Booth
- Erika Breneisen
- Justine Olsham
- Linda Reburn
- Matthew Hsia
- Michelle Hsia
- Nicole Graby



JUNE 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 UWF Meeting 9:30 am	2	3	4	5	6
7 Combined Service & Picnic	8	9 Trustee Meeting 6:30 pm	10	11	12	13
14 Fellowship Time	15	16 Church Council Meeting 6:30 pm	17	18	19	20
Graduation Sunday	Pastor Renewal Leave					
21 Father's Day	22	23	24	25	26	27
Pastor Renewal Leave	VBS 9 am – 11:30 am					
28	29	30				

HAPPY
FATHER'S
DAY!



♥ THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING! ♥

FATHERS of the Bible

The righteous man walks in his integrity;
His children are blessed after him.

PROVERBS 20:7

D H F Z S C Y P E I X V L Z R P U Z M K
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| ZACHARIAS | JOB | JACOB |
| ZEBEDEE | SOLOMON | DAVID |
| JOSEPH | ABRAHAM | NOAH |
| ISAAC | MOSES | GOD |

Honor your father.

EXODUS 20:12