



Commerce First United Methodist Church

A Place to Know, Grow, and show God's Love

June 2022 Newsletter

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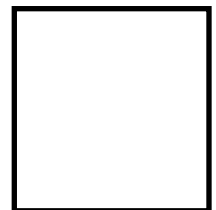
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This Month's Events

COMMERCE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

VBS 2022

PASSPORT
to PEACE



June 5-9

5:30-7:30pm

(-8:30 on Thursday with a meal at 5:30)

ages 3-completed 5th graders

BRING A FRIEND! ALL ARE WELCOME!

This week at Vacation Bible School, we will travel the world as peacemakers! Join us as we make new friends, sing songs, meet peacemakers in the Bible, do art projects and scientific explorations, and play games. We are excited to practice peacemaking on the outside while we explore what it means to feel God's peace on the inside. **Bring a friend or neighbor! All are welcome!**

Sign up today at: tinyurl.com/Passport2Peace

Questions? Contact Whitney Booth Lockard

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June 2022 Prayer List

"Offer prayers and petitions in the Spirit all the time. Stay alert by hanging in there and praying for all believers."- Ephesians 6:18f

Prayer Requests For Our Community & Beyond:

For the many who are struggling with the effects of the COVID pandemic in our church family and community.

Our church, its ministries, and leadership.

Our country, our community, and our church leaders.

For those affected by injustice and violence in all the ways they present themselves.

All medical and emergency personnel.

The World with all its needs, near and far from us.

Our Men and Women in the Military:

Ryan Buckingham, nephew of Jane Bedell, US Army

Karl Buckingham, nephew of Jane Bedell, US Army

Tyler Buckingham, nephew of Jane Bedell, US Army

Bobby Marshburn, Ensign in the Navy

Mason McDaniel, Godson of Janni & Dynelle Martin, US Army

Major Scott Powell, son of Thomas Powell, US Army

Steven Wheeler, brother-in-law of Jan Roe

Those in Assisted Living:

Margie Brown; Bo Holland

Brookside Senior Living

199 W. West Gary Rd., Commerce, GA 30529

Gayle Pritchett

Brighter Mornings at the Shoals

7456 Hwy 82 Spur, Maysville, GA 30558

Those at home:

Lucy Gailey

228 Honeysuckle Dr., Commerce, GA 30529

Dr. Don McFadden

119 University Dr., Commerce, GA 30529

Pat and Jimmy Purcell

108 Windy Hills Rd. Commerce, GA 30529

Prayers for Strength and Healing:

Grant Anderson

Jane Bramlett

Don Canady

Colleen Cunningham

Anna Diemond

Christopher Harrison

Jill Hyche

Ed Lacy

Holona Lance

Terry Minish

Phyllis Miranda

Shannon Palmer

Shirley Parham

Gayle Pritchett

Pat Purcell

Ray Rayburn

Bill Roberts

Winona Siwick

Calvin Smith

Matthew Wright

John Varner

Trustee of the Month

Jim Williams

Altar Guild

Barbara Hendricks

Carolyn Stephenson

Counters

- 6/5 Dave Moon and
Lee Hagan
- 6/12 Al Fleming and
Tom Murphy
- 6/19 Jack Legg and
Bill Davis
- 6/26 Jimmy Bolton and
Elton Collins

Birthdays

- Jana Mitcham 6/4
- Daniel Wood 6/7
- Sally Bunker May 6/8
- Joe Fenn 6/15
- Betty Turk 6/15
- Anna Diemond 6/19
- Barb Easterday 6/25
- Harrison Lund 6/25
- Amy Harbin 6/27
- Rebecca Dethlefs 6/28

Anniversaries

- Jana and Zachary Mitcham 6/1
- Nadine and Roger Waters 6/1
- Harriet and Josh Rider 6/2
- Karen and Tommy Benton 6/6
- Bette Rose and Mike Bowers 6/8
- June and Tom Murphy 6/8
- Nancy and David Nichols 6/12
- Kristen and Daniel Hill 6/16
- Kim and Steve Savage 6/18
- Linda and Charles Exley 6/19
- Alice and Robert Lyle 6/21
- Janet and Edward Adams 6/22
- Johnnie and Charles Blair 6/24

Trustees Flash

With all the enthusiasm being generated by new staff, new programs (not only to mention VBS) and overall new anticipations, Trustees are also looking to the future. We want our facilities and grounds to be ready to accommodate the Church's future growth.



Long range vision – For the past two years, we have focused mainly on immediate maintenance issues. Now, we are moving into considering near-term and long-term visions to develop and improve our entire campus, both exterior and interior. We want the facilities and grounds to meet the needs of our missions and programs now and in the future. We have a proposal from Koons Environmental Design to develop a Site Master Plan for exterior improvements and development. This plan includes a review of vehicular circulation options, drainage, greenspace development, pedestrian connections between buildings.

Also, we have a proposal from Barbara Black, Architect, to develop a Concept Design to address long-term needs and vision for the interior of our buildings. This plan would include ideas such as improving the entry to the Sanctuary, circulation issues, elevators, ADA issues.

Both proposals would involve multiple meetings for input from church members and of course they are expensive.

Office Building – The Office Building has been painted. We are addressing issues with rodents and moisture in the attic and the crawl space.

AEDs – We have functional AEDs in each of the four buildings on campus. Also, we will be posting maps in each building that identify where AEDs, fire extinguishers and first aid kits are located.

Windstream - We have completed all the necessary changes to stop service from Windstream. To this end, we have converted to fiber with the City, changed to cell phone service with Verizon, and eliminated the 10-year old server which backs up our records.

I would like to commend the work of each Trustee. Our group is composed of individuals of varied backgrounds and expertise, and each is committed to our responsibilities.

-Linda Exley

Upcoming Events

Lang Scholarship

Woolard and Eddie Lang came to Commerce in 1951, he as Superintendent of Commerce City Schools and she as a first-grade teacher in the primary school. Mr. and Mrs. Lang were devoted educators, both in Commerce schools and in the CFUMC where he taught the Men's' Bible Class and she taught in the children's program. They are remembered for their commitment and faith. In their memory, their daughters, Linda and Carolyn, established the Lang Scholarship with contributions from friends and family.

The scholarship is awarded each year to any high school graduates who are members of CFUMC who have been accepted into an accredited college, university, or technical school. The application deadline is July 1. For more information, contact the church Office, 706-340-8611.

Celebrating 50 Years!!

On May 29, Julie and Jimmy Moor celebrate 50 years of marriage. We believe a gathering with family and friends is the perfect way to mark this milestone. So that is what we're doing, and you are invited!

Saturday, June 11th 2-4

Kingswood United Methodist Church

4896 North Peachtree Road

Dunwoody, Ga

This is an informal, drop in event. Please, no gifts. If you feel you have to do something, make a gift to a ministry/charity of your choice. If you don't have one, we like agencies like Camp Glisson or the Atlanta community Food Bank.

Be aware that last year Julie was diagnosed with a form a dementia. She is still Julie, and doing relatively well. But if you come don't assume she can remember you.

Please introduce yourself.

Lay Leadership—Here to Serve!

Finance

Bill Davis, Chairperson

Janet Adams

Jimmy Bolton

Elton Collins

Charles Exley

Lee Hagan

Shonda Jones-Leggett

Tom Murphy

David Stephenson

Trustees

Linda Exley, Chairperson

Brian Anderson

Joe Fenn

Robert Lyle

Sally May

Ray Morris

Joanna Suarez

George Turk

Jim Williams

Staff-Parish Relations

Charles Blair, Chairperson

Pam Barnett

Bette Rose Bowers

K. Ellen Hagan

Kristen Hill

Matt Lund

Charlotte Massey

Jason Phillips

Stewart Smith

Administrative Council

Dave Moon, Chairperson

Charles Blair

Bill Davis

Jean Davis, Lay Delegate

Linda Exley

Al Fleming, Lay Leader

June Murphy, Recording Secretary

Lisa Nesbit, Treasurer

