



Commerce First United Methodist Church

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

August 2022 Newsletter

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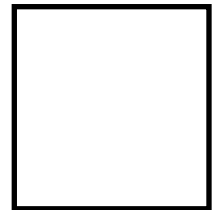
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August 2022 Prayer List

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

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:

Heather & Jimmy Ballenger

Linda Brake

Jane Bramlett

Don Canady

Colleen Cunningham

Anna Diemond

Christopher Harrison

Kathleen Hooper

Blake Hughes

Ed Lacy

Holona Lance

River Lee Miller

Terry Minish

Shannon Palmer

Shirley Parham

Gayle Pritchett

Pat Purcell

Ray Rayburn

Calvin Smith

Anne Marie Thomas

James Thomas

Trustee of the Month

Jim Williams

Altar Guild

Kristen Hill

Linda Brake

Counters

8/7	Dave Moon and Lee Hagan
8/14	Al Fleming and Tom Murphy
8/21	Jack Legg and Bill Davis
8/28	Jimmy Bolton and Elton Collins

Anniversaries

Renee and Dave Moon	8/5
Sadie and Roger Beauchamp	8/6
Tara and Joel Beauchamp	8/7
Pam and Tony Barnett	8/7
Joyce and Kinsey Phillips	8/10
Pattie and Robbie Griffith	8/20
Kathleen and Jimmy Hooper	8/27
Brenda and Larry Meadows	8/31

Birthdays

Kim Savage	8/1
Bo Holland	8/2
Larry Meadows	8/2
Donna Wilson	8/3
Elton Collins	8/5
Charlotte Massey	8/9
Doris Parr	8/11
Roger Waters	8/11
David Nichols	8/12
Martha Evans	8/12
Nancy Gaines	8/13
Tom Murphy	8/13
Steve Savage	8/15
Kelly Parham	8/16
McKenzie Smith	8/16
John Dethlefs	8/16
Abigail Suarez	8/19
Barbra Hendricks	8/19
Kelly Cassidy	8/19
Linda Brake	8/20
Sara Hill	8/20
Karen Hill	8/20
Bill Davis	8/23
Robert Lyle	8/27
Linda Lamb	8/29

This Month's Events



(rising 6th - completed 12th grade)

Sunday, 8/14 Game night and snacks 5:30-7:00pm

Wednesday, 8/17 Youth Group meets at 5:15pm

Sunday, 8/28 Pool Party at Joshua and Stephanie's house at 4:00pm

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMS

8/3 LIFT (Living in Faith Together) 5:15-6:30pm.-Dinner followed by intergenerational Bible study.

8/10 Age-level Bible studies 5:15-6:30pm

8/17 Age-level Bible studies 5:15-6:30pm

8/24 Age-level Bible studies 5:15-6:30pm

8/31 Age-level Bible studies 5:15-6:30pm

* Choir rehearsal will follow programs each week at 6:45pm

Glory Shiner Ministries Fundraiser

Pickle Ball Tournament at CFUMC Family Life Center on August 20, 9:00-1:00 to benefit Glory Shiner Ministries. Lunch will be 12:00-12:30 (Must Sign up for lunch. See Anne Fleming or Dave Moon). Joel Beauchamp will tell about the ministry 12:30-1:00. No charge but donations are appreciated.

Come cheer on your favorite players and support Glory Shiner Ministries!

Notes from the North Georgia United Methodist Conference Athens, Georgia June 2-4, 2022

Bishop Sue Hauptert-Johnson welcomed us and shared our theme for this year: A Place for You at the Table. Greetings from Athens and Georgia Coach Kirby Smart excitedly set our table. Bishop Sue told us that \$2 million dollars in offering has been donated to UMCOR for support of the Ukrainian people.

Announcements were made concerning the ratification of the vote on the process of disaffiliation (established in 2019 Paragraph 2553 of the Book of Discipline). Seventy churches representing about 9 percent of the conference and 3 percent of the membership voted to disaffiliate. Approval and prayers were shared for these churches. The date of disaffiliation was June 30, 2022.

Five values and five areas of focus were presented to our group. These were Community Engagement, Scripture Literacy and Imagination, New Faith Opportunities and Communities, Racial Justice and Healing, and Health and Well-Being. Discussion and opportunities to understand these areas will be on-going.

A service of remembrance allowed us to recall and pray for continued support for these families and friends. A Recognition of Retirees followed this. Then Ordination, Licensing, and Commissioning followed.

Appointments and moving days were set. Future dates for the North Georgia Annual Conference were set for May 31-June 3, 2023 at the Classic Center in Athens, Georgia.

Jean Davis
Lay Delegate

Trustees Flash



On August 8, the Trustees will kick off the new school year with a day of discussion groups designed to collect input from church members as to our present and future wishes and needs that will impact our facilities and grounds. The groups will be conducted by architects. Barbara Black will develop a Concept Design Plan to address needs for the interior of our buildings. Josh Koons will develop a Site Master Plan for exterior improvements and development.

The Trustees feel that this is a significant step forward which will help us seize the momentum and positivity that is present among our congregation. If you have ideas, please call, text ([404-831-0515](tel:404-831-0515)), or email me (cexley@gsu.edu).

The HVAC unit in the Office Building has been replaced and is working well.

We are placing floor plans in each building which will identify where AEDs, fire extinguishers, and first aid kits are located.

-Linda Exley

Lay Leadership—Here to Serve!

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Bill Davis, Chairperson

Janet Adams

Jimmy Bolton

Elton Collins

Charles Exley

Lee Hagan

Shonda Jones-Leggett

Tom Murphy

David Stephenson

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Kristen Hill

Matt Lund

Charlotte Massey

Jason Phillips

Stewart Smith

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