



WESLEY MEMORIAL UMC UPDATE ON ACTIVITIES & PRAYER CONCERNS September 12, 2018

We will have a **church work day** this Saturday, September 15, beginning at 9:30am. The primary project of the day will be to paint the Fellowship Room, but other small projects will also be happening. Please make plans to spend some time giving back to the church as we work to be good stewards of our great facilities!

James: Faith that Works—On Sunday, September 16th we begin a new five-week sermon series on the book of James. Through history, James' work has been a source of controversy because salvation is by grace through faith, not because of our own accomplishments. But what James teaches us is what faith that works looks like. This will be a great opportunity for us to think deeply about how we should live out our faith!

Renew the City: Do you want to be a part of building lasting change in our city? In this special event led by Dr. C. Anthony Hunt, United Methodist Pastor, author of seven books, and professor at both United and Wesley Theological Seminaries, we will learn ways we can seek common ground by building bridges across diversity and difference. Make plans to be a part of a teaching time and panel discussion with Chattanooga Community Leaders on Saturday morning, September 22, from 9:30-11:30am, at Bethlehem-Wiley UMC. If you are interested in more information or would like to participate, please speak with Pastor Clair.

Sip&Seek Coffee Bible Study has just begun their Fall discussions by studying "A Woman's Heart: God's Dwelling Place" by Beth Moore. This group meets in the Library every Thursday from 10-12noon to discuss guided weekly study questions, pray, serve and fellowship. Everyone is invited to join us as we open our hearts for what God has to teach us as a group and as individuals. Contact Jane Newman for more information. cre8dzins@gmail.com

The Sisters just started a new Bible study, "Psalm 23, The Shepherd With Me." In this 7-session study by Jennifer Rothschild, gain fresh insight and encouragement from Psalm 23. Explore the depths of God's compassionate care while debunking the self-reliance myth. Learn how your vulnerability is not a liability because you can trust the Shepherd's goodness throughout each season of life. Please see Pam Varnell if you are interested in participating in this study.

A new **Financial Peace University class** will be held on Sunday afternoons beginning September 23. If you or someone you know could benefit from Dave Ramsey's proven strategies to get out of debt, make sure to check out this class and get registered. More information can be found on the church website, or by speaking with Suzanne Rogers.

A Meeting of the **Staff Parish Relations Committee** is scheduled for Wednesday, September 26th at 6:00pm in the Bishop Hunt Room.

At the end of September, we will be **collecting shoes for foster children through the Mattress Firm Foster Children Shoe Drive**. Please begin gathering new shoes of all sizes (and keep in mind that most schools require close-toed shoes). We will gather during the Sunday School hour on September 30 to collect the shoes and join together in a time of prayer and devotion.

The HOPE Sunday School Class is currently studying the book of Exodus with the goal of "Looking for Jesus in Exodus." We are discussing the book verse by verse to learn what Jesus meant by "...And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the scriptures concerning himself..." (Luke 24:13-35). Everyone is welcome to join in this quest. The HOPE Class meets in the library beginning at 9:30am.

WiFi is available throughout the building. Login information is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway across from the church office.

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Current Prayer Concerns:

Bonnie Colquitt, Ginger Jordan, Alisha Borders (Friend of Karen Mansfield), Deane Barker, Tom Steffner, Judy Phillips, Dan & Janice Coleman, Fred Thomas (Friend of Pam Brooks), Joyce (Friend of Ken Levi), Steve & Susan Cox (Uncle & Aunt of Pastor Clair)



ATTENDANCE & OFFERING

September 9, 2018

Morning Worship	88
Sunday School	29
Offering	\$ 2,868.77