Craft Carillon Craft Memorial United Methodist Church APRIL 2025

Supporting UMCOR: A Community Effort

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is a dedicated humanitarian organization committed to alleviating human suffering. Established in 1940 in response to the displacement and vulnerability caused by World War II, UMCOR continues to serve the most affected communities through disaster relief and long-term assistance. Their mission encompasses aid for natural and human-made disasters, migration support, health initiatives, food security, and environmental sustainability efforts.

On Sunday, March 23, Craft joined United Methodist Churches nationwide in celebrating UMCOR Sunday. As part of this observance, our congregation gathered in the fellowship hall to assemble UMCOR cleaning kits—commonly known as flood buckets. Each 5-gallon bucket contains essential supplies based on UMCOR's detailed list, ensuring that they provide meaningful aid in times of crisis. These buckets are sent to distribution centers and deployed to affected areas as needed. Recently, UMCOR has been mobilized to respond to the devastating wildfires in California, Hurricane Helene, and tornado recovery efforts across multiple states.

This initiative was truly an "all hands on deck" effort. The day was filled with food, fellowship, and teamwork, with participants of all ages contributing their gifts to the cause. The assembly line operated efficiently, though detangling and cutting clotheslines required a bit of extra effort. Despite this small challenge, we successfully prepared 12 buckets that will be shipped out on April 9, 2025.

How Can We Continue to Support UMCOR?

- **Pray** Keep UMCOR and the communities they serve in your prayers.
- **Make More Supply Kits** Gather supplies and assemble additional cleaning kits.
- **Volunteer** Offer your time and skills to support relief efforts.
- **Give** Financial contributions help sustain UMCOR's mission of assistance and recovery.

Together, we can continue making a difference by standing with UMCOR in their unwavering commitment to serving those in need.

Kate Massey

Birthdays

Loretta Harris April 14th Karen Weedo April 14th

Elizabeth Biache April 15th

Lily Reagan April 19th

Joan Walker April 25th

Anniversaries

Joe & Paula Craig April 12th

Jim & Karen Tucker April 15th

William & Kate Massey April 21st

Check out our rejuvenated website:

Www.craftmemorial.org

We also have an app! See page 3 for more information. HUGE thanks to Bethany Dow for the hard work!

















Sermon Scriptures For April

6th John 12:1-8 Communion

13th Luke 19:28-40 Palm Sunday

17th John 13:1-7;31b-35

20th John 20:1-18 EASTER

27th Acts 5:27-32

Prayer Concerns

Kevin Goff

Kyle Massey

Michael Baugus

Josh Workman

Jacob Wammack

Lisa Ellis

Carson Baker

Ellen Thompson

Loretta Harris

Roger Hayes

Barbra Nicholson

Joyce McCall

Elaine Cannady

Roberta Dawson

Jeff Carroll

Donna Riley

Norma Powell

Crystal Alexander

Carma Gibson

Kim Johnson

Craft Day School

Fresh START

Donna Nelson

Betty Baker

George Horne

Crystal Massey

Triston Harden

WEEKLY STUDIES AT CRAFT

Adult Sunday School 9:30 Children Sunday School 9:30 Youth 12:00

> <u>Weekly Bible Studies</u> Tuesday 1 pm W9thednesday 5:00 Thursday 10:30





April 14th Operations 5:30

MONTHLY MEETINGS

April 21st Day School Board 4:30

April 28th Church Council 5:30

April 5th - Mule Day viewing on the front lawn. Bring a lawn chair, a cup of coffee, and watch the critters line up for the parade.

April 11th - Goodie baskets for our special friends.

April 12th - Movie afternoon. Meet at AMC Theater in Spring Hill for the 1:00 showing of "The King of Kings", and animated film about Jesus.

Lucia Leigh Tucker. April 4, 2025 7 lbs 15 oz Carolyn Tucker, great-grandmother Sharon Tucker, great-aunt

Norra Shea Golden, March 28 2025 7 lbs 12 oz Faith Browning, aunt PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
BABY SHOWER CELEBRATING

FAITH BROWNING



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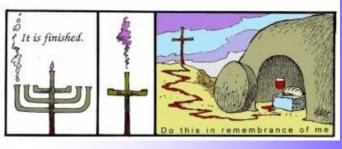














CHECK OUT OUR UPDATED WEBSITE AND THE APP!

Bethany Dow has taken on the project of updating our website and creating an app. It is still a work in progress, but it looks great so far! Just scan the QR code with the camera on your phone & follow the instructions. Thanks, Bethany!!!

Connect with Craft Memorial UMC

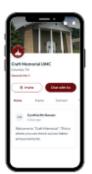
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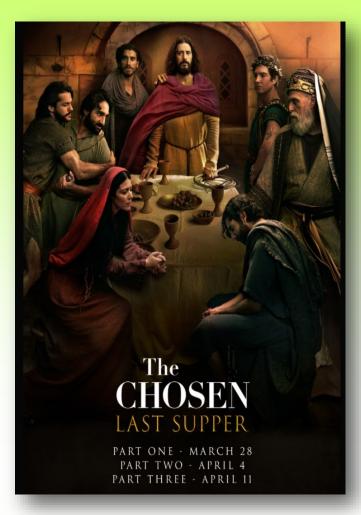




Join our new mobile app on Spaces by Wix!



If you have any question or suggestions about the website or app, talk to Bethany Dow. Bethany is happy to help!



The table is set.

The people of Israel welcome Jesus as king while his disciples anticipate his crowning. But—instead of confronting Rome—he turns the tables on the Jewish religious festival. Their power threatened, the country's religious and political leaders will go to any length to ensure this Passover meal is Jesus' last.

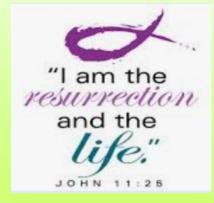
Shot in a beautiful cinematic format, The Chosen: Last Supper brings the most pivotal week in history to audiences in this special three-part theatrical release.

The Chosen season 5 is coming to AMC Spring Hill Theaters starting March 28th. It picks up where season 4 left off, with Jesus' triumphant entry to Jerusalem and ends with His final meal with the disciples. If you are a fan of The Chosen, this is not to be missed in the theater. The small screen will not do it justice.

Faithful and Generous Giving Through 3/2/25				
	Prior Week	YTD	Budget	% of Budget
Week 10 (19% of Year)				
General Fund	\$1,496.00	\$8,618.00	\$61,000.00	14.1%
Designated/Memorial	\$100.00	\$581.00	-	
Worship Attendance	28	28		

Blessing Box Items

Pop top canned food items, snack crackers, socks, personal hygiene items such as shampoo, soap, hand sanitizer, baby wipes, toothbrushes, and toothpaste. If you don't have the time or ability to shop, you can always make a monetary donation and designate it for the Blessing Box. You can also give money to Kate Massey and she will do your shopping for you.





DISCIPLESHIP PRIORITIES

Having listened to the voices across the Tennessee-Western Kentucky Conference and to the guidance of the Holy Spirit with all of us, we name the following disciplines that will guide our collaborative ministry in this 2024-2028 season.

Discipleship is not a program but a way of living that offers the world another way. As disciples of Jesus, our lives become oriented to relationships, sacrifice, and transformation. Focusing on these disciplines will deepen our faithfulness and foster our spiritual maturity as disciples of Jesus.

Mental Health & Well-Being

We will prioritize how to help our clergy, churches, and staff remain healthy and flourishing as we navigate the challenging parts of ministry.

Professions of Faith

A disciple invites and leads others to experience the love of Christ. We will reclaim our mission to reach those who can join us to transform the world.

Culture of Call

We will nurture relationships that foster an environment where each of us can hear God's calling on our life.

Spiritual Leadership Development

We will allocate time and resources to cultivate, develop, and educate faithful disciples to offer excellent leadership for current and future generations.

Disrupting & Dismantling Racism & Discrimination

We will acknowledge the areas where we need guidance in order to be a voice that speaks up for what is right and against what is wrong. This will help us live into becoming God's Beloved Community where everyone belongs.



Conference and District News



Lay Servant Training hosted by the Harpeth River District:

Basic Course: "God calls you to a life of servanthood as a disciple of Jesus Christ. ...Lay Servant Ministries is the first step for many laypersons toward their faith journey as they strive for a closer relationship with the Lord," ~ Sandy Jackson and Brian Jackson

- When: Saturday, April 12, 9am-3:30pm (includes lunch)plus an additional 4 hours to be scheduled by the participants
- Location: Columbia First UMC Annex
- 700 N High St, Columbia TN 38401
- Cost: \$15 + purchase of book
- Registration Deadline: March 29
- Instructors: Rev. BJ Brack, Harpeth River District Superintendent, and Rev. Chris Haynes, Christ UMC

Senior Pastor

Advanced Courses:

- Satruday, June 14: "Soul Reset: Breakdown, Breakthrough, and the Journey to Wholeness" details coming soon!
- Saturday, August 16: "For the Common Good: Discovering and Using Your Spiritual Gifts" or "See All the

People: Developing Intentional Discipleship"

We also recommend "For the Common Good" online April 28-May 9 at BeADisciple.com

WHAT IS A LAY SERVANT?

LAY SERVANT MINISTRIES is a leadership development program in The United Methodist Church focused on equipping and empowering laypersons who have responded to the call of God to serve in mission and ministry.

These laypersons are called to live out their own discipleship as servants in leadership through the ministries of leading, caring, and communicating.

Being called to ministry is a serious endeavor. It takes a disciple to make a disciple. Thus we must do all we can to prepare ourselves and others to serve.

The United Methodist Church has established three categories for laypersons in the area of lay servant ministries to develop, prepare, and engage principled Christian leaders for the mission of making disciples for the transformation of the world:

- Certified Lay Servant
- Certified Lay Speaker
- Certified Lay Minister

Certified lay servants who wish to develop their skills further may choose a track to become certified as lay speakers (those who are called specifically to pulpit supply) or as lay ministers (those who are called to long-term, intentional ministry as part of a ministry team).