



# Pinckneyville First UMC

June 2025

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

If you would like to volunteer to help with VBS at Grace UMC in Nashville, please let Pastor Leanne know and she will get you in contact with their committee.

**Tues.—Thurs., July 23-25, 2024, 9:00-noon**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**\* June 12** – Trustees Meeting  
6:30 p.m.

- Sunshine Women's group is not meeting in June or July.
- Watch the Facebook page for summer YOUTH activity announcements.
- Children's Sunday School will take a summer break and continue in the fall.

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

8 Allen Harriss  
13 Lucas Carter  
14 Addison Morgan  
16 Maddux Carney  
Briley Hug  
17 Mike Griffin  
18 Judy Holder  
Larry Wild  
Ellie Winder  
21 Janet Carson  
Jason Stutes  
25 Jeff Gilter  
Sharon Runyon  
26 Riley Mohr  
28 Angie Griffin  
Bonnie Tolbert  
30 Kharley Hug



***Congratulations everyone on your milestones! If your name was not included in our list, please inform the office so that we can update our records.***

## June Anniversaries

3 Mike and Angie Griffin  
18 Russell & Suzanne Engelhardt  
19 Waylon and Kim Leonard  
22 Cecil & Sharon Runyon  
29 Arlen and Janet Carson



## SUMMER LUNCH SIGN UP

The Methodist Church will be packing up lunches on Wednesdays again this summer. The lunch program began on Monday, June 2 and our first day to pack is June 4. If you would be able to help pack or deliver lunches this summer, please sign up on the table outside the sanctuary or show up Wednesday mornings! We could use a couple more helpers!

For our Wednesday lunches, we ask for donations of \* Juice pouches, \* pudding cups, and \* cheese/peanut butter crackers. There is a table marked "Wednesday" in the big closet in the fellowship hall where donated items may be placed.

***This is truly a community project!***

## ***Thoughts from Pastor Leanne***

Ahhh, vacation.

We need it. We crave it. God even insists on it (He did, after all, rest on the 7<sup>th</sup> day!).

We need a time to leave obligations and stress behind.

What vacation tempts us to do, though, is to also leave God behind.

The thing is: God is always there and always working...even on vacation.



So how do we incorporate our faith into our time of fun? Here are a few ways you can make sure that God's along for the ride this vacation season:

### **\*Prioritize Prayer:**

Begin your vacation with prayer, asking God for guidance, protection, and a spiritually enriching experience.

### **Biblical Reading and Devotion:**

Pack your Bible and devotional materials to stay connected with God's Word.

### **Church Tourism:**

Research local churches in your destination area and consider attending a service to worship and connect with other believers. Visit <https://www.umc.org/en/find-a-church> to find a church in the area you're visiting.

### **Embrace Creation:**

Recognize the beauty of God's creation and appreciate the natural world around you.

### **Acts of Kindness:**

Look for opportunities to serve and love others, just as Jesus commanded.

### **Quiet Time for Reflection:**

Make time for quiet reflection and prayer, allowing God to speak to you throughout your trip.

### **Flexibility:**

Be prepared for unexpected changes and view them as gifts from God, potentially offering new opportunities for learning and growth.

### **Redeem the Ride:**

If traveling with family, consider listening to faith-based audio dramas or podcasts instead of devices, creating a spiritually enriching experience for everyone.

### **Remember God's Blessings:**

During your vacation, take time to appreciate God's blessings.

So enjoy your time getting "away from it all"...but be sure to bring God along with you!

Faithfully,

*Pastor Leanne*

## 2025 GRADUATES—CONGRATULATIONS!

### 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE

<b>Presley Reeves</b>	Pinckneyville Jr. High School – Daughter of Ashley & Patrick Ba- thon, Granddaughter of Scott & Dana Carney, Great Granddaugh- ter of John & Sonia Carney
<b>Addison Leonard</b>	Community Consolidated 204 School – Daughter of Kim & Way- lon Leonard
<b>Allison Leonard</b>	Community Consolidated 204 School – Daughter of Kim & Way- lon Leonard
<b>Grant Lang</b>	Community Consolidated 204 School – Son of Kacie & Patrick Lang
<b>Stella Crews</b>	Community Consolidated 204 School - granddaughter of Mike & Angie Griffin
<b>Maddux Carney</b>	Eastside Middle School, Mt. Washinton, KY, - Grandson of Scott & Dana Carney, Great Grand- son of John & Sonia Carney
<b>Paxton Kennedy</b>	Kilgore Gifted Center, Hampton, VA - Step-grandson of Mike & An- gie Griffin

### HIGH SCHOOL

<b>Isabella Morgan</b>	Pinckneyville High School - Daugh- ter of Dee & Brian Morgan, grand- daughter of Joyce Wildermuth
<b>Linkin Schandl</b>	Pinckneyville High School – Son of Jamie & Kirk Tate, Grandson of Rich Winder
<b>Easton Smith</b>	Trico High School – Grandson of Tom & Mardy Smith
<b>Seth Fagerland</b>	Elverado High School - Grandson of Tom & Mardy Smith
<b>Zachary Ramsey</b>	Sanderson High School, Raleigh, NC - Nephew of Mike & Angie Griffin

## May Financial Report

<b>May Giving</b>	<b>\$ 10,437.69</b>
<b>May Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 12,516.70</b>
<b>Difference</b>	<b>\$ -2079.01</b>

**All bills are paid and apportionments  
are up to date.**

### COLLEGE DEGREE

<b>Breyona Schandl</b>	Bachelor's Degree from McKendree College - Daughter of Jamie & Kirk Tate, Granddaughter of Rich Winder
<b>Payton Morgan</b>	Bachelor's Degree from SEMO – daughter of Dee & Brian Morgan, granddaugh- ter of Joyce Wildermuth
<b>Hallie Waggoner</b>	Doctorate of Pharmacy from Belmont University – Daughter of Bob & Lori Waggoner
<b>Rob Elston</b>	Doctorate of Nursing Prac- tice, Anesthesiology, SIU-E, boyfriend of Pastor Leanne.

**May God bless each one of you in your  
next phase of life!**

