

CHURCH STAFF

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COKESBURY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH COURIER * JULY 2018

*Every time I think of you, I give thanks to my God. Whenever I pray, I make my requests for all of you with joy, for you have been my partners in spreading the Good News about Christ from the time you first heard it until now. And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.—
Philippians 1.3-6, New Living Translation*

Yes! Paul said perfectly what I have experienced with you, my dear Cokesbury family. The years flew by but have been full. You have allowed me to walk with you through the changing scenes of life in your households and together as the family of God. I am certain God is continuing the good work in all of us.

Thank you for the assurance of continued prayer for my family and me; you will remain in our thoughts and prayers also. Thank you for the celebration “send-off,” a day of joy! Thank you for the thoughtful cards and gifts—perfect for both remembrances and helpful for the future.

I am looking forward to returning to Ireland with David for a couple of weeks in August and visiting with family on the way both going and coming back. Last Sunday I worshiped with Ben at “his” Philadelphia church and while it wasn’t Cokesbury I found the local congregation welcoming and passionate as are you about being the hands and feet of Jesus. Isn’t it wonderful that we can be at home with sisters and brothers in Christ throughout the world? Now Pastor Joseph, Grace, Esther, and Samuel have the joy to experience this truth alongside you at Cokesbury—God is good!

Yesterday Ben and I celebrated the 4th of July with Micah’s family. When it was time to eat I said a prayer and Emily said, “Nana! Sing it!” She had remembered the last time we were together and the different table graces we’d sung. How our children are eager to hear about and to love Jesus! I’m praising God for the opportunity this leave of absence affords me to do this with our grandchildren.

David has been at Warren Willis Camp this week and of course is keeping a friendly eye on the Cokesbury campers as well as Miramar’s. How helpful it is to be part of a connectional church. The connection also means that wherever any of us are at work in God’s vineyard we are in it together. I haven’t left Cokesbury but rather am simply in an extended branch☺. Continuing along the way with thanksgiving in my heart,

Pastor CJ

CALENDAR FOR JULY-AUGUST

Other Groups sharing the Campus:

Monday – Friday - Victory Living – 7:00 am – 4:00 pm – Rooms 2, 3, 4, 6

Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays – Spanish Alcoholics Anonymous – 8:00 – 9:30 pm – Room 4

Tuesdays (except summer months) – Cub Scouts – 6:30 – 8:30 pm – Settle Hall

Wednesdays and Fridays – Anglo Alcoholics Anonymous – 7:00 – 8:00 pm – Don Lowe Chapel

Thursdays – Spanish Al-Anon – 7:00 – 9:30 pm – Don Lowe Chapel

Always check with our Church Secretary about room availability before you schedule usage as there are one-off meetings NOT listed; thank you.

CALENDAR FOR JULY

- 15 **9:30 & 11:00 am Worship; also Sunday School & Children's Church**
9:45 am – Choir Practice – Room 7
- 16 1:00 pm – Lunch Bunch – Settle Hall
- 17 6:30 pm – Mission & Ministry Committee Meeting – Bowman Library
- 18 10:00 am – Morning Bible Study – Bowman Library
4:30 pm – Intercessory Prayer – Sanctuary
6:00 pm – Evening Bible Study – Bowman Library
- 19 7:00 pm – Praise Band Practice – Sanctuary
- 21 **5:30 pm – CONVERGE – Settle Hall**
- 22 **9:30 & 11:00 am Worship; also Sunday School & Children's Church**
9:45 am – Choir Practice – Room 7
- 23 4:30 pm – Food Pantry – Settle Hall and Room 1
- 25 10:00 am – Morning Bible Study – Bowman Library
4:30 pm – Intercessory Prayer – Sanctuary
6:00 pm – Evening Bible Study – Bowman Library
- 26 7:00 pm – Praise Band Practice – Sanctuary
- 28 9:30 am – Men's Game Event – Settle Hall
5:30 pm – CONVERGE – Settle Hall
- 29 **10:30 am – One Service – also Sunday School & Children's Church
& Church Council Meeting & Potluck Lunch**

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST

- 01 10:00 am – Morning Bible Study – Bowman Library
4:30 pm – Intercessory Prayer – Sanctuary
6:00 pm – Evening Bible Study – Bowman Library
- 02 6:30 PM – Crafters – Settle Hall

- 04 7:00 pm – Praise Band Practice – Sanctuary
5:30 pm – CONVERGE – Settle Hall
- 05 **9:30 & 11:00 am Worship; also Sunday School & Children's Church**
9:45 am – Choir Practice – Room 7
- 06 6:30 pm – Trustees Committee Meeting – Bowman Library
- 08 10:00 am – Morning Bible Study – Bowman Library
4:30 pm – Intercessory Prayer – Sanctuary
6:00 pm – Evening Bible Study – Bowman Library
- 09 7:00 pm – Praise Band Practice – Sanctuary
- 10 6:00 pm – Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser – Settle Hall
- 11 9:30 am – Men's Group Breakfast – Settle Hall
5:30 pm – CONVERGE – Settle Hall
- 12 **9:30 & 11:00 am Worship; also Sunday School & Children's Church**
9:45 am – Choir Practice – Room 7
12:15 pm – God's Creature Keepers – Office Reception Area
- 13 4:30 pm – Food Pantry – Settle Hall and Room 1
6:30 pm – Finance Committee Meeting – Bowman Library
- 15 10:00 am – Morning Bible Study – Bowman Library
4:30 pm – Intercessory Prayer – Sanctuary
6:00 pm – Evening Bible Study – Bowman Library
- 16 7:00 pm – Praise Band Practice – Sanctuary
- 18 **5:30 pm – CONVERGE – Settle Hall**
- 19 **9:30 & 11:00 am Worship; also Sunday School & Children's Church**
9:45 am – Choir Practice – Room 7
- 20 1:00 pm – Lunch Bunch – Settle Hall
- 21 6:30 pm – Mission & Ministry Committee Meeting – Bowman Library

New Bible Studies

- 10:00 am - Morning Bible Study – *Invitation to Psalms*
6:00 pm - Evening Bible Study – *Understanding God's Call*
Signup sheets are in the Narthex

Beginning July 17

Tuesdays of each week will be Pastor Joseph's official day off (Sabbath); however, feel free to contact him in case of an emergency. Thank you for your consideration.

Meet with Pastor Joseph

Please signup in the Narthex or call the Church Office to make an appointment for Pastor to visit with and get to know you and your family.

NEWS FROM SOME OF OUR COMMITTEES AND MINISTRIES:

CONVERGE – Pastor Scott Didriksen

As of the middle of June we have been having the Converge Dinner Worship Service at Cokesbury UMC for one year! It has been an amazing year with a lot of new faces joining together to form a family of believers on Saturday evenings at 530 in Settle Hall. At the June 23rd service we welcomed Pastor Kim and his family as the attendees shared what this service has meant to them over the last year. One worshipper said that she “had been hurt at other churches” and probably would not have attended a “regular” church service but has been welcomed into this community with love and acceptance. Another regular attendee said that he loved how close the community has grown in just a short time through the table discussions, dinner and worship. The Converge community looks forward to new and wonderful “God moments” with Pastor Kim and his family!

CONVERGE SERMONS – Pastor Joseph

July 14: Ms. Lena
July 21: I am the Light of the World (John 8:12, 9:1-12)
July 28: I am the Door of the Sheep (John 10:1-10)
August 4: I am the Good Shepherd (John 10:11-16)
August 11: I am the Resurrection and the Life (John 11:17-27)
August 18: I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life (John 14: 1-10)
August 25: I am the True Vine (John 15:1-10)

GALS (GOD’S ANGELS, LOVING SERVANTS)

GALS will be on summer hiatus for July and August. We will reconvene on September 1st, first Saturday in September for our annual planning meeting for the upcoming year. Please use the summer months to come up with ideas of ways we can continue to serve.

CHURCH COUNCIL – Chelsia Binns, Chair







Council meeting will be on July 29 after the service. On that day there will be one service starting with hymns sing at 10:15 and then potluck lunch and meeting. At that meeting we will have a vote on whether or not to continue meetings that way.

CHILDRENS MINISTRIES – Pat Uber, VBS Coordinator

Wow! God showed up in a MEGA way this year at VBS! My heartfelt “thank you” to everyone who helped with setup, ministry and cleanup; they are truly the hands and feet of Jesus. His Word says, “Do not despise these small beginnings, for the LORD rejoices to see the work begin.” Sunday was the first day with eight children and the rest of the week we had 17-18 each night. God is good! We learned how to be a **TEAM**; **T** means WE not ME; **E** means EVERYONE

deserves respect? **A** means ALL of us makes mistakes; **M** means MY actions and attitudes matter = **TEAM SPIRIT!**

REMEMBER OUR CONGREGATION IN PRAYER

 Jane Berg-Sabol	 Elidia Gray
 Jane Fullerton	 Chelsia Binns, father passed away June 28th
 Breana Binns, back surgery	 Geanie Schmidt, Ron passed away July 13th

CONGRATULATIONS

Alysha Ashbourne announced her engagement last month to Christopher Alexander who proposed to her on May 24th. They met in school at USF and were reconnected in 2016. They will be living in Tampa and Christopher will be returning to USF as an Engineering Professor. We look forward to the wedding date as soon as they make a decision!

UPCOMING EVENTS

MEN’S GROUP GAME EVENT – JULY 28th

Cokesbury men are invited to a Game Event planned for **Saturday, July 28th** 9:30-11:30 am in Settle Hall. No breakfast will be provided for this event. Please make a note of it and join us!

MISSIONAL VITAL SIGNS FOR JUNE 2018

DATE	ATTENDANCE	SALTY SERVICE	TITHES & OFFERINGS
06/03	125	29	3,839
06/10	150	24	7,722
06/17	140	55	4,756
06/24	235	28	3,805

Did we miss your special occasion? Please let us know!

FOOD PANTRY – Lynda Huffman & Geanie Schmidt

If you wish further information about this rewarding ministry, please contact co-chairs Lynda Huffman (954-825-5152) or Geanie Schmidt (954-520-8067).

INTERCESSORS – Betty Sparks

Intercessors meets every Wednesday and begins prayer promptly at 4:30 pm in the Sanctuary overflow area. It is a privilege and an honor to make your requests known to God. We rejoice with you when prayers are answered and will labor with you until they are. Feel free to join us!

PEW ANGEL NEEDED:

Every week, any day, following Sunday 11:00 Service and before Sunday 9:30 Service to clean trash out of racks on the pews and add prayer cards, connect cards, giving envelopes and pens as needed. If you are interested, please contact the church office.

PHOTO CLUB – Gerry Leone, Chair

We will not be meeting during the summer months, but hope you will join us when we resume meetings on the third Thursday of each month beginning Thursday, September 20th. Have a safe summer.

S.P.R.C. – Joan Carlson, Chair

SPRC was very busy the past month with the transition of Pastors at Cokesbury. We have welcomed Pastor Joseph and family with several events and had a wonderful “God Speed” luncheon for Pastor CJ and her family. A huge “thank you” to everyone for all they did to help make these events such a success! We are truly a blessed and loving church family.

“THOUGHTS FROM A BLOOD DONOR’S TABLE

I give my blood	Christ gave His
I give a pint	He gave all
The needle was small and sharp	The nails were large and dull
The table was soft and relaxful	The cross was rough and painful
The nurses were kind and gentle	The soldiers were cruel and mean
The crowd applauds my sacrifice	They passed by and reviled Him
Mine is for O positive	His was for positively all
Mine, at best, will prolong life for awhile	His, without doubt, can save all forever.
	Eddon Weishelt

