

Tunnel Hill United Methodist Church

The Messenger

September 2019

New Steeple Arrives! - Raise the Steeple Fund



Last fall, after a major storm came through Tunnel Hill, a leak developed at the base of THUMC's steeple and water began to enter the front narthex of the church. The Board of Trustee's filed a claim with the church's insurance company and also hired a well respected steeple company to inspect the situation.

It was determined that high winds had damaged the steeple and also caused the seal at its base to leak. Unfortunately, the steeple could not be repaired, therefore a new custom made steeple was ordered. It took several months to have a company in Houston, Texas construct it. It is costing the church \$30,000 to have the old steeple removed, the new steeple built, transported, and installed.

Unfortunately, THUMC has only received \$1,200 toward the steeple claim. The Trustees are very dissatisfied with this payment and they are working diligently to negotiate with the insurance company to obtain a more significant amount.

This is obviously an unexpected expense incurred by the church. Therefore, if you would like to contribute, please make checks payable to "THUMC" and write "Steeple Fund" in the memo section.

Fortunately, the new steeple arrived and was installed on Wednesday, proudly lifting the cross of Christ over our church and community.

Thanks in advance for your help with this important project!



Fall is quickly approaching, can I get an AMEN!?! With it comes a new season for Oasis, and the students, leaders, and I could not be more excited. This fall we are going to focus on doing some mission projects here in Tunnel Hill. If you know of anyone that might be interested in having Oasis come out, please contact me. Just to be clear, these won't be our service project fundraiser jobs, but mission work performed by the entire group. Please continue to pray for our group, and know that we will continue to pray for our church.

Youth Pastor - Garrett Teems



Since 1993, more than 100 million boys and girls in over 130 countries have experienced God's love through the power of simple shoebox gifts from Operation Christmas Child. Samaritan's Purse works with local churches and ministry partners to deliver the gifts and share the good news of Jesus Christ. We are collecting prescription pill bottles to recycle & fill up with \$9 worth of quarters (the shipping cost of each Shoebox). Please, take labels off, wash and donate. There is designated box in the lobby & Fellowship Hall. We will be collecting donation items such as fun toys, hygiene products & school supplies for the shoeboxes at a later date.



"Mayberry Bible Study" on Wednesday Nights

Ron Houston and Jay Tenney are currently leading an 8 week study based on episodes and biblical life lessons found in the Andy Griffith Show. You're invited to join us in the Sanctuary from 6:30-7:30pm each Wednesday.



"The Fellowship of the Unashamed"

- Author Unknown -

I belong to the fellowship of the unashamed. I have stepped over the line. The decision has been made. I'm a disciple of Jesus Christ. I won't look back, let up, slow down, back away, or be still. My past is redeemed, my present makes sense, and my future is secure. I'm done with low living, sight walking, small plans, smooth knees, colorless dreams, tamed visions, and pettiness. I no longer need preeminence, prosperity, position, promotions, plaudits, or popularity.

I don't have to be right, first, tops, recognized, praised, regarded, or rewarded. I am now fully committed to a daily relationship with Him, living by faith, and leaning on His presence. My face is set. My goal is life, love, and freedom through Him. My road is narrow, my way rough but my guide is reliable and my mission is clear. I cannot be bought, deluded, or delayed.

I will not flinch in the face of sacrifice, hesitate in the presence of the adversary, negotiate at the table of the enemy, or meander in the maze of mediocrity. When it comes to sharing God's love and the hope that I've been given, I won't give up or let up. I will stay prayed up and constantly look for His presence and purpose in my life. I am a disciple of Jesus. I will continue to serve my God until that incredible day when my earthly body grows tired and I enter the next stage of my life with Him.

Other September Save the Dates

September 17th - 6:00 PM Nominations Meeting 2 (Tentative) (FC)

September 22nd - 6:00 PM Congregational Info Session (Sanctuary)

September 24th - 6:00 PM SPR Meeting (FC)



PRAYER LIST

Kathryne Middleton, Margaret & Jim Doyle, Ray & Pat Anderson, Barbara Vaughn, Shirley Gribble, Vera Nations, Frank Moody
 THUMC's Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts
 Agnes Sutton-Kay Henderson's Mother
 Raya Owens-Friend of Jada Barton
 Gabarb Vaughn Summers
 Breanne Locklear-Jo Anna Davenport's niece
 Marge Fox-Cindy Fehd's mother
 Orallia Hernandez-friend of the Middletons
 Richard Sharp-Friend of Stephanie Loggins
 Dolly Hamby-friend of Kay Jernigan
 Eddie Mac Sanders-Friend of Kenny Gowin
 Kyler Bass-Friend of Wendy Voiles
 Glen Dean-Friend of Susie Webb
 Alyssa Talley
 Brecklynn Allgood
 Doug Mitchell
 Virginia Campbell
 Scott Hannah-Friend of Todd Middleton
 Betty Fetzer-Tammy Horne's mother
 Arlene Hooker-Friend of Gwen Maddox
 James & Lynda Quarles-Friend of Gwen Maddox
 Marilyn Brown-Friend of Gwen Maddox
 B.J. Jarrett-Nancy Hampton's nephew
 Mrs. Barbara (Bobbie) Phillips-Mickey Reed's sister
 Mrs. Dorothy Grimes-Friend of Erin Watson
 Jack Rhodes-Grandson of Linda & Gerald Pack
 Ray & Leona Trotter-Friends of Macoy Griffin
 Josie Dyer – Vanessa Clack's Niece
 Ronnie Burgess – David Helton's Brother-n-law
 Gerald Watkins- Friend of Janice Helton
 *Rick Everett
 *Bill Kizer Family
 Jean Bates

(*Denotes new additions)

To add/remove a friend or loved one to the Prayer List, please contact the church office at 706- 673-4022 or thumc@optilink.us. Thanks!

Calendar of Events

Sunday September 1

Communion Sunday
 9:00 AM Choir Practice (S)
 10:00 AM Sunday School
 11:00 AM Worship

Monday, September 2

Labor Day

Tuesday, September 3

5:15 PM Girl Scouts-Cadette (Ch. Room)
 5:30 PM Juniors - GS (CB)
 6:00 PM UMW Group I & II Meeting (Bazaar Planning) (FH)
 7:00 PM Boy Scouts (FH)

Wednesday, September 4

5:30 PM Mid Week Meal Served (FH)
 6:00 PM Prayer Group (Library)
 6:15 PM Oasis Student Ministry
 6:15 GLOW Nights (Children's Ministry)
 6:30 PM Adult Bible Study

Thursday, September 5

5:30 PM Girl Scouts-Cadette (CH. Room)
 6:00 PM Grief Support Group (Fel CL)

Sunday, September 8

7:30 AM Men's Breakfast (FH)
 9:00 AM Choir Practice (S)
 10:00 AM Sunday School
 11:00 AM Worship
 12:00 PM Children's Committee Meeting (FC)
 12:00 PM Oasis Fundraising Bake Sale (Church)

Monday, September 9

3:30 PM Cub Scouts (FH)
 7:00 PM Board of Trustees Meeting (FC)

Tuesday, September 10

5:15 Girl Scouts-Cadette (CH. Room)
 5:30 PM Juniors-GS (CB)
 6:00 PM Nominations Meeting 1 (FC)
 7:00 PM Boy Scouts (FH)

Wednesday, September 11

Patriot Day
 5:30 PM Mid Week Meal Served (FH)
 6:00 PM Prayer Group (Library)
 6:15 PM Oasis Student Ministry
 6:15 GLOW Nights (Children's Ministry)
 6:30 PM Adult Bible Study

Thursday, September 12

5:30 PM Girl Scouts-Cadette (CH. Room)
 6:00 PM Grief Support Group (Fel CL)

Sunday, September 15

9:00 AM Choir Practice (S)
 10:00 AM Sunday School
 11:00 AM Worship

FH-Fellowship Hall

FC-Friendship Class Rm

CB-Church Bldg.

S-Sanctuary

FEL CL-Fellowship Classroom

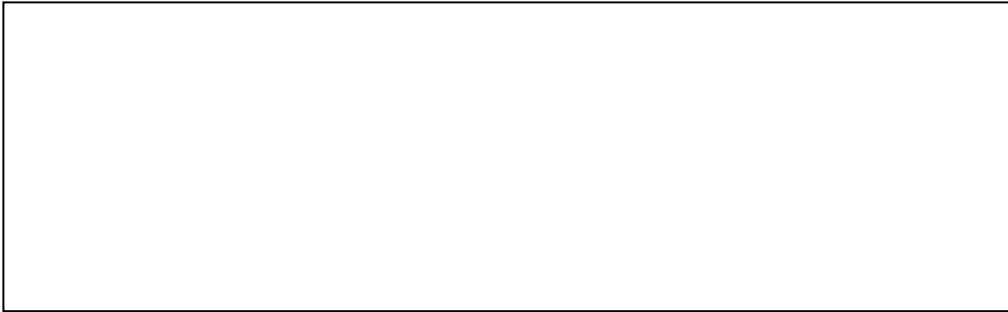
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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED



SUNDAY, September 1

USHERS: Camden Shields, Jack Jackson,
Chandler Mathews, Hunter Frisbee

NURSERY: Delilah Sharp

OFFERING TEAM: Brenda Hampton, Chuck
Davidson

SUNDAY, September 8

USHERS: Camden Shields, Jack Jackson,
Chandler Mathews, Hunter Frisbee

NURSERY: Judy Middleton

OFFERING TEAM: Brenda Hampton, Chuck
Davidson

SUNDAY, September 15

USHERS: Camden Shields, Jack Jackson,
Chandler Mathews, Hunter Frisbee

NURSERY: Anne Monk

OFFERING TEAM: Brenda Hampton, Chuck
Davidson

SUNDAY, September 22

USHERS: Camden Shields, Jack Jackson,
Chandler Mathews, Hunter Frisbee

NURSERY: Jada Barton

OFFERING TEAM: Brenda Hampton, Chuck
Davidson

Sunday, September 29

USHERS: Camden Shields, Jack Jackson,
Chandler Mathews, Hunter Frisbee

NURSERY: Ellen Dreschel

OFFERING TEAM: Brenda Hampton, Chuck
Davidson

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekly Budget Needed: \$5,130.00

GIVING FOR July 28

GENERAL BUDGET: \$2,411.00

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$10.00

Attendance:

Sunday School: 42

Worship: 125

GIVING FOR August 4

GENERAL BUDGET: \$6942.00

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$749.00

Attendance:

Sunday School: 31

Worship: 144

GIVING FOR August 11

GENERAL BUDGET: \$3,198.90

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$612.23

Attendance:

Sunday School: 48

Worship: 147

GIVING FOR August 18

GENERAL BUDGET: \$2295.00

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$5.00

Attendance:

Sunday School: 40

Worship: 161

GIVING FOR August 25

GENERAL BUDGET: \$2163.00

DESIGNATED GIVING: \$50.00

Attendance:

Sunday School: 43

Worship: 129