OUR GRADUATES



Denver Nuckolls





Spencer Dillon





Derrick Davis



Confirmation
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Earline Reeves
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Don & Rose Houk	06/21	Wade & Marty Peery	06/23
Arleen & Ivan Saville	06/01	Taylor & Celia Vaughan	06/18
Edsel & Jo Rudy	06/01	Michael & Nikki Larrowe	06/03
Jim & Mary Lily Nuckolls	06/16	Ike & Cathy Cruise Jr.	06/30
C. C. & Janis Kurtz	06/06		



Doris Ward	06/21	Clark Nuckolls	06/27	Preston Cardwell
Ralph Sweeney	06/26	Geneva Anderson	06/18	Denver Nuckolls Jr.
Earlene Ogburn	06/12	Monette Senter	06/11	Sidney Dillon
C. C. Kurtz	06/22	Carol Kurtz Mannix	06/30	Zoe Dillon
Larry Grabman	06/20	Tyler Houk	06/10	
Jean Johnson	06/15	Austin Larrowe	06/16	
Danise Reynolds	06/21	Devin Boyer	06/02	

JUNE CALENDAR

Mon 3 rd	10-12 p.m.	Kid Junction
Wed 5 th	11 a.m.	Choir
	12 & 6 p.m.	Bible Study
Thurs 6 th	10 a.m.	Knitting
Sun 9 th		Annual Conference Begins
		Eagle Scout Recognition
Wed 12 th	11 a.m.	Choir
Thurs 13 th	10 a.m.	Knitting
Sun 16 th		Father's Day
Mon 17 th	10-12 p.m.	Kid Junction
Wed 19 th	11 a.m.	Choir
	12 & 6 p.m.	Bible Study
Thurs 20 th	10 a.m.	Knitting
Tues 25 th	6:30 p.m.	Men's Fellowship Meal
		(every 4 th Tuesday)
Wed 26 th	11 am	Choir
	12 & 6 p.m.	Bible Study
Thurs 27 th	10 a.m.	Knitting

JUNE ALTAR GUILD WOMEN: Barbara Boyer and Elaine Schaeffer

MISSIONS COMMITTEE NEWS:

Many thanks to all of you who supported our **mission fundraising meal** on May 19th. You paid a total of \$825 for your hamburgers and hotdogs all of which was sent to **Willing Partners**. Not only was Willing Partners helped that day but also **Hope House** as leftovers were taken there to be enjoyed by the residents. You also prepared 15 **Health Kits** which will go to Annual Conference and sent from there to Zimbabwe. The **Missions Committee** is truly grateful for you as a congregation being mission minded.

UMW NEWS:

We will not be meeting in June due to Annual Conference at Lake Junaluska beginning June 9th. Information is now available for Mission U which will be July 19-20 at Pleasant View UMC in Abingdon. If you are interested in attending please let me know and I'll get that info to you.

ADULT COUNCIL 2019 EVENT SCHEDULE

JUNE	Tues. 25 th	Barter Theater "Church Basement Ladies", Bristol, TN
JULY	Tues. 16 th	Baseball game, Pulaski
AUGUST	Sun. 25 th	Church Pot Luck Picnic
OCTOBER	Thurs. 17 th	Wohlfahrt Haus "Ring of Fire"
DECEMBER	Thurs. 12 th	Christmas Lunch at Olde Beau



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VISION STATEMENT: Jesus calls us to be a community of loving and growing Christians committed to spreading

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the Good News while serving God and our neighbors.

The transitional month of May is almost over. We have transitioned from mostly warm spring days and cool nights to warm nights and hot days. Welcome to Summer! At least there has been plenty of sunshine, but a weekly rain would be nice.

We celebrated Mother's Day and Memorial Day. We also rejoiced at the confirmation journey undertaken by Alyssa Boyer and her mentor Ruth Sizemore. We do pray for her, her mentor, and family members supporting this endeavor: Bob, Barbara, and James. Alyssa begins the journey of learning about the faith that has been passed on to us to pass on to others. She is preparing herself to make the baptismal vows at her baptism her own.

June is the month we celebrate graduations: Spencer Dillon from Emory and Henry, Denver Nuckolls from Virginia Tech, and Derrick Scott Davis, II from Davis Homeschool. We wish our graduates the best! Wherever they go our prayers and blessings are with them. We celebrate their graduation this Sunday (June 2) during worship. Additionally, Derrick Davis will receive Eagle Scout on Sunday, June 9 during worship.

Even though you may not be experiencing a transitional period of confirmation or graduation, we all experience transitions of one type or another. It could be moving to a new congregation (on the hottest days of June), a health issue, a family situation, the loss of a loved one, a change of jobs, retirement, and so forth. Most transitions in life cause stress and some more than others. There are some transitions that make it difficult to hear these words of Jesus: "Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these" (Matthew 6:28-29).

The context of Matthew 6 is God's care for us. Early Christians and we ourselves may find ourselves wondering about God's care for us; but alas, "have faith." The song, "Consider the Lillies," reflects these words of Jesus beautifully. A line of it reads: "We have a Heavenly Father above with eyes full of mercy and a heart full of love. He really cares when your head is bowed low; consider the lilies, then you will know." God does care for you!

Holston Annual Conference meets June 9-12 at Lake Junaluska. The annual conference votes on the conference budget among many other things. The annual conference voting is made up of 50% ministers (clergy) and 50% laity (non-ordained ministers). I note "non-ordained ministers" because we are all ministers in Christ's Church. Do pray for our annual conference. There will always be differences, but may we always be charitable.

The Men's Fellowship Meal, the 4th Tuesday of every month, is in full swing! We have met at Porky's, Galax Smokehouse, and the Italian Garden. Our next fellowship meal is Tuesday, June 25 at "El Rio Grande." If you wonder who determines where we eat, it is the one who wins the arm wrestling match. Actually, we find a consensus as to where to eat the next month. Come enjoy a meal and fellowship and have a say to where we will eat in July.

Pastor Mark B. McFadden