

July News from Kid Junction

For May and June, Kid Junction served 6 families and 20 children. A special thanks to our volunteers: Cathy Cruise, Janis Kurtz, Elsie Davis, and Dianne Marshall.

Our Backpack campaign will begin later in July. Sometime after the 4th Walmart will be putting the school materials on sale. School materials needed to replenish our supplies for Kid Junction are listed below. Backpacks are also needed. You may place materials on the altar in the annex. If you have any questions you may call or text Dianne at 276-233-7841 or the church office at 236-9937.



Thank you in advance for your prayers, monetary donations, or purchased for this special campaign serving the needs of children in our community.

School Supplies Needed

#2 pencils	Pencil boxes
Pencil top erasers	Zipper pencil pouches
24 pack Crayola crayons	Marbled covered composition notebooks
Pack of colored pencils	1 subject composition notebooks
Fiskar scissors, blunt or pointed	3 subject composition notebooks
(Or quality of that brand)	Handheld pencil sharpners
Wide ruled notebook paper	1, 1 1/2 or 2 inch 3 ring binders
Elmer glue sticks	Clip boards
Elmer's bottled glue	Dry erase markers (black)
Sturdy pocket folders with prongs	Highlighters
Sturdy pocket folders without prongs	

Coloring books are always needed. They may be purchased at dollar stores.

“But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.”

Hebrews 13:16 (NKJV)



MEMORIALS



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Bernie & Mary Margaret Rector	7/1
Frances & Forrest Crowder	7/16
Michael & Betty Butler	7/18
Clark & Babette Nuckolls	7/31



Grant DeZern	07/01	Tom Peddy	07/10
Barbara Boyer	07/02	Janet Smith	07/11
Andrew Peddy	07/02	Arleen Saville	07/30
Robert Boyer	07/03	Elsie Davis	07/31
Becky Guynn	07/07		

JULY CALENDAR

Mon 1 st	10-12 p.m.	Kid Junction
Wed 3 rd	11 a.m.	Choir
	12 & 6 p.m.	Bible Study
Thurs 4 th	CLOSED	Independence Day
Tues 9 th	10 a.m.	UMW Meeting
Wed 10 th	11 a.m.	Choir
Thurs 12 th	10 a.m.	Knitting
Thurs 12 th	7 p.m.	Finance Meeting
Mon 15 th	10-12 p.m.	Kid Junction
Wed 17 th	11 a.m.	Choir
	12 & 6 p.m.	Bible Study
Thurs 18 th	10 a.m.	Knitting
Thurs 18 th	7 p.m.	Administrative Board Meeting
Tues 23 rd	6:30 p.m.	Men's Fellowship Meal (every 4 th Tuesday)
Wed 24 th	11 am	Choir
	12 & 6 p.m.	Bible Study
Thurs 25 th	10 a.m.	Knitting
Wed 31 st	11 am	Choir
	12 & 6 p.m.	Bible Study

JULY ALTAR GUILD WOMEN: Rebecca Cardwell and Geneva Anderson

UMW NEWS:

After having a month off, the UMW will meet on July 9th at 10:00am in the UMW room. Barbara and Elaine have the program and we will lunch at RJ's. Information is now available for the Holston Conference UMW Fall meeting which will be held in Kingsport, TN. Looking forward to seeing each of you on July 9th.

ADULT COUNCIL 2019 EVENT SCHEDULE

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 the Good News while serving God and our neighbors.*

PASTORAL PONDERINGS

Summer has arrived, but thus far it has not been as hot as last year. When I moved here last year it was in the mid 90s. Let us hope that it does not get that hot this year. I have been through four seasons with you now. You know me better and I know you better.

I have enjoyed my first year at Galax. The winter was a bit colder than I expected, but I think that was the same everywhere in this region of southwest Virginia. It definitely has been a wet year! At least we do not have to worry about drought.

Annual Conference was last month and Galax was well represented. In addition to our Lay Representative (Judy Farmer), Linda Burnette and Peggy Chappell (UMW and at Larger Delegate) also went to Annual Conference. A Lay Delegate elected to the General Conference has a connection with FUMC: Emily Ballard. The Rev. Kim Goddard, our District Superintendent, was also elected as a Clergy Delegate to the General Conference. As for resolutions, I was encouraged by this resolution that the Holston Annual Conference passed by a majority of votes:

WHEREAS, the Special Session of the General Conference of the United Methodist Church, convened in February 2019 adopted the Traditional Plan as its way forward,

WHEREAS, United Methodists of Holston Annual Conference remain divided in our response to the General Conference decision, and thus the Body of Christ as a whole has suffered;

WHEREAS, LGBTQAI+ persons have often been excluded from full inclusion and welcome in our churches and our ministries;

THEREFORE, we the members of Holston Conference commit ourselves to the world-wide United Methodist Church, all its peoples and all its ministries.

THEREFORE, we commit ourselves to welcome and affirm LGBTQAI+ persons in the churches of Holston, knowing them as persons of God's sacred worth.

THEREFORE, Be it Resolved that as the Holston Annual Conference we commit ourselves to join hands as one, united through our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness as we work together toward God's hope for the people of Holston and grieve for the harm caused to the body of Christ and its witness in the world.

I do note that a resolution is simply a resolution and not a change to our Book of Discipline. Only the General Conference, which meets every four years, has the authority to change the Book of Discipline. What a diverse bunch we United Methodist are, but I think that a strength and not a weakness.

This month, enjoy the 4th of July festivities wherever you are. Especially rejoice in our country's freedom of religion. We were the first modern state/nation to implement it on a nation/state level as far as I know (although the ancient Persians allowed ethnicities to practice their religion). We take it for granted that a person may attend worship any day of the week at the place of his/her choice, and with no compulsion to support a state church/religion. America is indeed a unique place!

Pastor Mark B. McFadden