

Bellville Methodist Believer

SUNDAYS

- 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
(sanctuary)
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
(all ages)
- 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship
(sanctuary)

BUILDING UPDATE

We are still experiencing delays on some items to complete the project. Work is continuing as they can. The glass doors were removed between the Welcome Center and new building. The doorway has been opened up between the hallway at the adult classrooms and the new building. Things are happening! The Welcome Center should be complete by third week of June. The playground area has been leveled and cleaned up. A sub committee is working on design plans for that area and to bring in new equipment for the kids.



2022 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 13 – 17

9:00 a.m. – Noon

Ages 4 (as of 6/13/2022) – 5th grade



District Camp
Lakeview Conference Center
June 27—July 1
Entering 3rd grade through Graduating Seniors

Cost: \$440.00
(\$240.00 for Church members)
Register at lakeviewmcc.org
Deadline to register: JUNE 13

IN OUR PRAYERS...

Michelle Maderer	Mike Aldredge	Sally Schaefer
Laura Mann	Katie Huebner	Doug Lottridge
Bill Moebes	Ann Kiesewetter	Molly Lottridge
Cathryn Van Wormer	Kathryn King	Avis Pouncy
Luke Keaton	Janice Engelking	Billy Armstrong
Everly Lunsford	Cyndy Massey	
Bill Schmidt	June Lynch	
Kay Marek	Carrie Steinbach	
Billie Grounds	Winifred Walentine	
Irene Herreth	Kennedy Maderer	
Susan Crutchfield	Don Moore	
JoAnn Gillum	John Grube	
Jerri Hurta		
JoAnn Hinze		
Sharon Dyer		
Jessica Engler		
Anne Wingo		
Mary Gibson		



SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Hunter Morris
 Chad Holloway
 Sean Whitfield
 Gregory Hill
 Mitch & Emily Bruce
 Maj. Zachary & Lt. Cassidy Jones
 John Lanier
 David Anderson
 Dalton Flannigan
 Jesse Worthen
 Hunter Berry
 Rachel Hoag
 Cheryl Munoz
 Rachel Munoz
 Ryan Tull

All the men/women serving our country and their families



JUNE CALENDAR

Sunday, June 5
 7:00 p.m. Youth parent meeting (217)
Tuesday, June 3
 9:30 a.m. Nursing Home Communion
 1:00 p.m. Fun & Fellowship (204)
 7:00 p.m. Methodist Men (204)
Monday - Friday, June 13-17
 9:00 a.m. VBS
Monday - Thursday June 13-15
 Afternoon / evening youth activities
Tuesday, June 14
 6:00 p.m. Finance Committee (206)
Saturday, June 18
 10:00 a.m. Juneteenth Parade
Sunday, June 19
 12:30 p.m. Youth leave for Blueprint
Monday, June 27
 Kids leave for Lakeview Camp

JULY

Sunday, July 3
 9:00 a.m. Patriotic Sunday
 Monday, July 4 - Independence Day
 Church office closed
Tuesday, July 5
 9:30 a.m. Nursing Home Communion
 1:00 p.m. Fun & Fellowship (204)
Wednesday, July 6
 Children's Ministries to Brenham for movie
 No Chancel Choir (resumes August 10)
Sunday, July 10
 Belize Mission Trip
Tuesday, July 26
 Children's Ministries to Brenham for movie
 Sunday, July 31
 Stockholder's Dinner (Belize trip)

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sundays
 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (sanct)
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School (all ages)
 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship (sanct)

Mondays

Tuesdays

Noon AA (206)

Wednesdays

6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir (102)

Thursdays

6:30 p.m. AA & AI Anon (206, 211)
 7:00 p.m. Men's Basketball (MAC)

Fridays

Office Closes at Noon

SUNDAY SCHOOL THANK YOU!!

CHILDREN

Rm 215 - Nursery
 Rm 214 - 3s - Pre-school
 Rm 217 - K - 3rd grade
 Rm 212 - 4th & 5th grade

YOUTH

Rm 213 (SS Workroom)

ADULTS

Rm 204 - Joy Class
 Rm 206 - Seekers Class
 Rm 208 - Disciples Class
 Rm 211 - Young Families Class
 MAC - Berean Class (all ages)

Thank you to all who have donated to help offset the youth mission trip to Belize. The stockholders dinner will held on July 31 in the MAC. If you would still like to donate toward the mission trip, just mark your check Belize in the memo line.

FOOD PANTRY

For the month of June we are collecting small cans of veggies and fruits.

JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

Saturday, June 18

First Annual Juneteenth Celebration beginning with a parade at 10:00 a.m. from the courthouse to the fairgrounds.

The BUMC Church bus along with other entries will be part of this celebration.

RUTH CIRCLE

No meetings in June or July.
 See you in August!

BLUEBONNET OPRY

Bluebonnet Opry holds events at the Silver Wings Ballroom in Brenham the third Thursday of each month. Tickets sold at the door are \$8.00.

BUMC will take the church bus for anyone who wants to ride. Please call the church office.

Next dates: June 16, July 21

SURVIVING GRIEF

2nd & 4th Mondays of each month

Allumine Hospice Office
 540 W. Main Street, Bellville
 7:00 p.m.

A free support group, giving you an opportunity to meet with other grieving people.

Ruth Dinges (281-734-9111)
 Sharon Glentzer (713-303-2237)

FUN & FELLOWSHIP SOCIETY OF ST STEPHEN

June 7
July 5

Room 204
GAMES & LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

Adults of all ages are welcome!!

Feel free to bring a game you'd like to play or let me know what you'd like to play and I'll see if I can round it up!

For more information or if you need transportation contact:

Dianna Norton, 979 270 5075
diannashipmannorton@gmail.com

School has just let out for the summer, but that means Society of St. is looking to the next school year beginning! It's time to start preparations for the annual School Supply Giveaway. Area churches were invited to attend a meeting the first week of June to start the planning process.

Each year Society of St. Stephen asks local churches to help by picking a grade level and filling backpacks with the appropriate school supplies. We open the doors to the MAC and allow Bellville ISD children to come pick up a backpack so they can start their first day of school with all the supplies needed.

How can you help? Donations are needed so we can purchase the backpacks and supplies. Designate your check by writing School Supplies in the memo line. Thank you!



MOTHER'S DAY OUT

Mother's Day Out ended this school year with Splash Day! The little ones loved playing in the pools of water and sprinklers as much as jumping in the "bounce house". After lunch, everyone took their sleeping mats to the MAC to watch the movie Finding Nemo... or at least they tried to... most of them fell asleep as soon as they were snuggled under their blankets! We will miss their sweet smiles this summer.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this school year so successful! We hope everyone has a great summer!



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The Texas Annual Conference concluded June 1. (Our Conference is roughly shaped from Texarkana, to south of Waco, between Bellville and Industry, down to the Gulf Coast and back up along the Louisiana line.) One of the events that happens at Annual Conference is that the bishop officially "fixes" (i.e. announces via digital media) the appointments for the coming year. Kyle and I are delighted to be appointed here to Bellville UMC!

The Annual Conference received reports of great work happening throughout our Conference and beyond - from Campus Ministries, to initiatives that help improve the lives of children who are at risk, to the great work being done by The Methodist Children's Home in Waco and Providence Place in San Antonio, to an ambitious plan to build incredible facilities at Lakeview Methodist Conference Center to expand its utility in a variety of ways, to name a few.

Many of the resolutions that were brought to the floor of the Conference did not pass which is a sign of some of the deeper divisions within the larger UMC.

Bishop Jones also indicated that he would likely call a special session of the Annual Conference for mid/late fall to receive any requests local churches who wanted to disaffiliate from the UMC. I think this was driven largely by the expectation that he would have to retire as our bishop due to his age and the timing of special called Jurisdictional Conferences where new bishops are elected. The Future Discernment Task Force of the Conference was also given the task of holding presentations no less than 45 days prior to any special called Annual Conference for the purpose of presenting the options available to local churches who are discerning whether to stay United Methodist or pursue another denomination.

A last morning decision from the Judicial Council (the top judicial body of the whole UMC) gave a ruling that means Bishop Jones will not have to retire at the end of this year but can continue being our bishop through August of 2024 - which is expected to happen.

If you want to watch the whole thing for yourself, it was recorded and is available at <https://www.txcumc.org/ac2022livestream>

Great things are happening within the Texas Annual Conference, but do keep the whole United Methodist Church in your prayers to stay focused on making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world as it navigates some bumpy waters.

Blessings,
John