

# The Capleville Messenger

"Let's Do L.I.F.E. Together"

October 2025



## Fall is Here!

## From the desk of Pastor Andy





## A Season of Gratitude and Faith

I hope this newsletter finds you all well. I am grateful to be heading into October and Fall. The heat this summer has been brutal and I am thankful for the cooler weather.

Gratitude is a gift that shapes the way we see and live in the world. In every season of life-whether in moments of joy or challenge-we are invited to pause, give thanks, and recognize the many ways God is present with us. This October, as we reflect on God's blessings, we are reminded that gratitude is not confined to one day or holiday, but is a way of life.

In recent weeks, we have reflected together on what it means to live with grateful hearts. Gratitude is not only about what we say but about how we live-recognizing God's many blessings and choosing to be a blessing to others. Each new day is an opportunity to give thanks for God's love and to respond with faith, service, and generosity.

As we enter this fall season, may we continue to remain aware of God's presence in our lives, thankful for all that God has given, and faithful in living out that gratitude through our love for one another and for our community.

Pastor Andy

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God
is the
answer!





## United Women of Faith Celebration Worship Service

On Sunday, September 28, the Capleville UWF celebrated their Annual Candle Lighting Service.

In the Metro District, one of the ways the UWF raise money for missions is through Candle Lighting/Mission Giving. Once a year, we pause for a few minutes to remember our friends and loved ones by lighting a candle in their memory.

The UWF support shelters, orphanages, schools, food kitchens, food pantries and clothes closets. The UWF is also on the forefront of fighting against human trafficking, advocating for the rights of women and children and other social issues, wherever there is a need. This year we raise



dren and other social issues, wherever there is a need. This year we raised over \$1300 for our effort.



UWF: 1st row: Susan Smithmier, Rita Pirela, Eddie Mae Howell, Marilyn Hathaway, Barbara King, Mary Margaret Clower, Shannon Ray, Peggy Cole, Mary Ann Overman, Bev Compton. 2nd row: Judith Roberson, Tashawn Pirela-Kassin, Deborah Hawkins, Joyce Dodson, Rexell Johnson, Peggy Brodersen, Voretta McMillian, Ulandus Howell, Nya Sanders, Flo Walker, Leslie Curry. 3rd row: Shawhn Curry, Cassandra Howell













Sermon - "Gratitude"

Pastor Andy Thompson



#### SAVE THE DATE

Oct. 5, Nov. 2, Dec. 7 - Monthly Birthday Celebration Oct. 8 - Annual Charge Conference 6pm Sanctuary Oct. 31 — Trunk or Treat



#### United Methodist Men Annual Steak Dinner



On September 27th, the UMM celebrated their Annual Steak Dinner

"Just Old Fashion Fellowship with TV football games and good eats."

Pictured: Marcus Michael, Lee Nicks, Myron Johnson, Melvin Johnson, Al King, Erv Walker, David Bethel and Mark Compton

#### WREATH MAKING CLASS

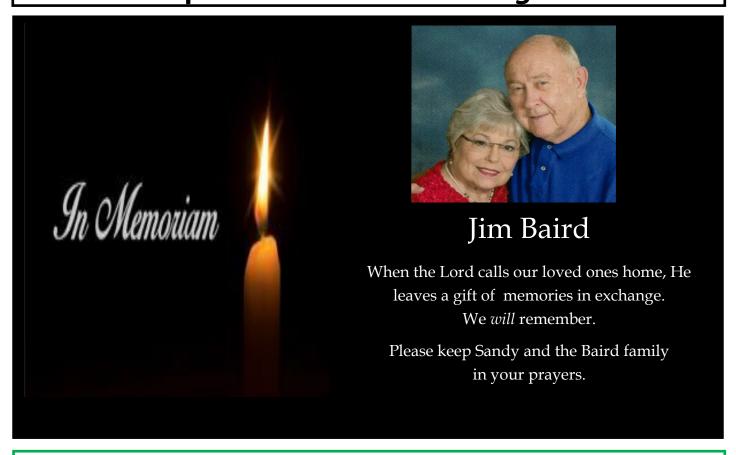
On September 20th, there was a wreath making class. Pictured: Shannon Ray, Mary Ann Overman, Marilyn Hathaway, Barbara King, Rita Pirela, Tommie Reed, Bev Compton, Eddie Mae Howell, Betsy Morrison, Unknown, Cynthia McKinney and Mary Margaret Clower.





## "Jesus Wept"







### Want to help? Volunteer at the church.

Office Receptionist - Monday thru Thursday 10a-2p. Two or four hour shifts options. Volunteers will answer and direct calls, and assist with some routine office work.

<u>Collection and Deposit Preparation Team</u> - Two volunteers are needed to complete the two person team that counts and prepares Sunday offerings for deposit. One person is needed to complete the team and the other to serve as a backup member.

#### Other Areas to Serve and Volunteer -

Food Pantry Worship Usher Liturgist

Church Hospitality Church Library Historian Basic Grounds Maintenance





## An Open Invitation You're Invited

An invitation is extended to all adults, to join the Seekers Sunday School Class at Capleville UMC. Class

begins at 9:45 and ends at 10:30 every Sunday morning. Sunday school books will be provided. New topics will be studied every week. For more information, call Discussion Leader Shannon Ray at 901-239-6327. Please join us!



You're Also Invited to the ZOOM Sunday School Class

## Open Invitation II

An invitation to a "ZOOM" Sunday School Class, the Faithwalkers.

Class begins at 9am and ends at 10am every Sunday morning.

The Discussion Leader is Erv Walker 901-754-8300.

For Link information call Shawhn Curry 901-596-5546 or curry.shawhn@gmail.com

## **United Women In Faith (UWF)**

Capleville UMC has two (2) Circles, the Hummingbirds (Marilyn Hathaway 901-493-8074) and the Rosebuds (Shawhn Curry 901-596-5546). The members are a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to develop a creative,

supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the ministries of the church. If you would like to participate, please call one of the numbers above or just call the church office 901-363-1859.





"In the beginning, God created the Heaven and earth."







The Capleville Clothes Closet (aka "The Amen Corner") is now open. We're still working hard to build up the new ministry and we need your help in getting the word out to all potential clients. Please share the details below with anyone you feel would be blessed by receiving clothing from the Capleville Clothes Closet.

#### CLOTHES CLOSET OPERATING HOURS

Days of Operation: Every 3rd Saturday of the Month October 18th, November 15th, & December 20th (Dates are subject to change.)

Hours of Operation: 11am - 2pm

Location: 4725 Riverdale, Memphis, TN 38141/LEC Building Room #306 (Follow the signs after entering the building.) If you have questions or if you need clothing assistance other than our operating days, please contact Capleville UMC church office 901-363-1859.





"In my Father's house there are many mansions."





There's a live game every Wednesday 10-11am in the LEC. "Be There Or Be Square".

Senior Exercise Class to follow 11a-12noon

Call the church office or Barbara King 901-363-1859 for additional information.

Thursday Evening Fitness Class
Trainer-Shomar Michael

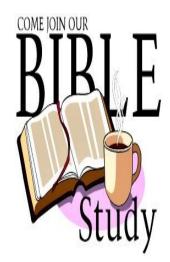




"God is good, all the time."







## LADIES TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Ladies Tuesday Bible Study will resume October 7th at 10:00 am. We will use Dr. David Jeremiah's commentary "Ephesians: The Inheritance We Have In Christ" for our study. Paul's letter is a reminder that our inheritance into God's family is better than anything we had in our former sinful life. He encourages the Ephesians, as well as today's Christians, to walk worthy of our calling. You are invited to join us to learn more from God's Word as we journey together.

Joyce Dodson (901) 398-1813 jpd1937@yahoo.com



To give, please mail in your offering to the church: Capleville UMC, 4725 Riverdale Rd., Memphis 38141 OR go online to http://

www.caplevillechurch.org/ and click on E-giving or by downloading the Vanco App. The church office is open Monday — Thursday, 9a -2p, if you want to bring your offering to the church.





Please designate your Kroger cards to benefit Capleville United Methodist Church. Check your grocery receipts, Capleville UMC should be printed on the bottom. Please contact the church office 901-363-1859 or Erv Walker 901-754-8300 for particulars.



"Jesus is love."

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Public Worship: Capleville has resumed regular public worship with service starting at 11am. Use your own judgement and comfort level in wearing masks, and social distancing. distancing.



Sunday School Classes and Small Groups: Our leadership has decided that Sunday School Classes and Small Groups

may be permitted to meet at the church in the Great Hall or the gym. Meetings must be scheduled with the church office to avoid conflicts. All participants must commit to hygiene practices, including optional mask wearing and personal judgement in social distancing, disinfecting the space used (including bathrooms) and returning any tables and chairs to the supply closet after the meeting. You may also choose to have a meeting outside the building with the same precautions taken.

Capleville UMC Facebook: Worship with us on the Capleville UMC Facebook or worship by phone at 11am on Sundays by calling 901-522-5545. The replay is also available throughout the week. We also send the YouTube link by email and post it on our church website.

Liturgists Needed! If you are interested in serving as a liturgist for the worship service, please contact the church office 901-363-1859.

Communion Sunday: Communion Sunday is the 1st Sunday each month. If you are still not attending service, please visit the church office before 1st Sunday and pick-up communion elements.

Church Office: The church office is open Monday - Thursday 9 am - 2 pm. The Food Pantry is open on Tuesdays from 11am to 1pm. CLOSED on fifth Tuesdays. : You can give to Capleville UMC anytime by going to www.caplevillechurch.org, click on E-giving or by downloading the Vanco App. You can also mail or bring your offering to the church during office hours, Monday-Thursday, 9 am-2 pm.



If you have not returned to church due to COVID-19 and you are in need of receiving Holy Communion, stop by the church during the week and pick up your communion elements. Join the Capleville YOUTUBE stream on Sunday morning and the Pastor will serve the elements during 1st Sunday worship service.



"Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God."



## **Prayer List**

## Let's Pray for our Church Family & Friends

Sandy Baird & Family, Bernice Baskin, Carolyn Bethany, Johnny & Jonathan Bethany, Marsha Callicutt, Diane Cardwell, Nell Cline, Mary Margaret Clower, Linda Crump, Bev Compton, Dorothy Cox, Charlie & Carolyn Fleming, James Fleming Jr., Shepherd Harkness, Dorie Hathaway & Family, Stan & Marilyn Hathaway, Billie Lawson, Jo Lishley, Ronnie McElya, Mike & Connie McGhee, Shelia Mims, Betsy Morrison, Little Miss Tru Nicks, Mary Owen, Shannon Ray, Barbie Ware, Robert Weathers, Capleville Church Family, Capleville Church Leadership, Capleville Food Pantry Clients, Capleville Clothes Closet Clients, Caregivers, U.S.A. Military, our Police & Fire Departments & our elected officials.



Note: If you want to be added to the prayer list, please email caplevilleunited@ bell-south.net or flowalk@bellsouth.net or call the church office at 901-363-1859.



Most mighty and merciful Father we praise you and give you all glory and honor. Please touch those of us who are in need of your healing. Because we know your touch heals all ills and restores our souls. We need you in our lives everyday and we pray for your presence, your touch, and your grace in all that

we do. In Jesus name we pray. Amen

Altar Flowers... Sign-up For Your Special Occasion

If you would like to donate flowers for the altar, please contact the church office (901-363-1859) to sign up. You may reserve any Sunday this year, except during the Advent season.





When we are happy and life's bright and fair, we often forget to kneel down in prayer .....

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Bible	Quiz	Facts About Jesus

The life of Jesus was recorded in the first four books of the New Testament.

How much do you know about His life and activities? Test your knowledge by taking the quiz below.

1. Where was Jesus baptized and by whom?
2. About how old was Jesus when he began his ministry?
3. When the devil tried to tempt Jesus while he was in the wilderness, how many days and nights
had Jesus fasted?
4. Most believers know that the first miracle Jesus performed was to turn water into wine, what
was his last miracle?
5. In order to demonstrate that he was truly alive, how long did Jesus stay on earth before ascend-
ing into heaven?
6. What was Jesus' final command to the disciples?
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Answers: 1. Jordan River by John the Baptist (Matt.3:13-15) 2. 30 (Luke 3:23) 3. 40 days (Matt. 4:1-11).

4. He touched the ear of a man and healed him (Luke 22: 49-51) 5. 40 days (Acts 1:3)

6. Go into the world, preach the Gospel, baptize believers and teach them. (Matt.28:18-19)

### Food For Thought

Whosoever will reign with Christ in heaven must have Christ reigning in him on earth.

John Wesley



## Going to Heaven

The preacher said to his congregation, "I want everyone who wants to go to heaven to stand up." Everyone stood up, except for one old man in the front. So he said, "I said, I want everyone who wants to go to heaven to stand up!" The old man in the front row remained seated. Finally the preacher said, "Brother Williams, I said everyone who wants to go to heaven, stand up!" And the old man said, "Oh, I'm sorry. I thought you were getting a group together to go right now."



"Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth."







#### "GOD BLESS THIS HOUSE!!"

The Capleville Community Food Pantry, continues God's work, helping to feed the less fortunate year round. As usual, the pantry can always use; beans, peanut butter, rice, tuna, cheese, beans & franks, spam, beef-a-roni, soup and jelly.

Children are back in school and have to be fed a healthy meal every morning. Additionally, food prices are up. WE have to help!! The Food Bank is providing less food. We are currently asking for donations to purchase items weekly. Cereal and bread is a must. PLEASE, any monetary donation will help. Volunteers and donors are always needed and appreciated. If you want to volunteer, please contact Flo Walker (901-754-5921). If you're available, we need volunteers on Mondays 10am-11am (to pre-bag) and every Tuesday (to serve) between 11am - 1pm.

We continue to practice social distancing and wearing masks. Only one client is allowed inside at any given time. Thank you for all your prayers!

Love and Blessings, Flo and Erv

# FOOD PANTRY STATS

**During the month of September, the Food Pantry served:** 



Sept. 2nd ......27 Families77 IndividualsSept. 9th .....27 Families50 IndividualsSept. 16th .....15 Families40 IndividualsSept. 23rd .....25 Families51 Individuals

Sept. 30th ..... PANTRY CLOSED

Total 94 Families and 218 Individuals



When you give to the poor, it is like lending to the Lord and the Lord will pay you back. Proverbs 19:17





## Keep-In-Touch

Please keep in touch with some of your church family members who are not present on Sundays or do not have access to the internet. You can send a card or make a phone call. A list of those Capleville members is below\*:

Sandy Baird105 McCall Dr							
Nell Cline Silver Creek Senior Living Community							
6650 Crumpler #333 Olive Branch, MS 38654 662-895-8952							
Peggy Cole 5936 Snowden Run Southaven, MS 38972 662-890-1861							
Dorothy Edwards 6737 Regency Park Cir. N Memphis, TN 38115 901-369-7480							
Shepherd Harkness 7008 Apple Creek Dr Memphis, TN 38125 901-737-4841							
Margaret Hill 8236 Tulip Rose Dr Memphis, TN 38125 901-774-4917							
Billie Lawson Azalea Nursing Center							
530 Hall St Wiggins, MS 39577 N/A							
Ronnie McElya Collierville Rehab/Skilled Nursing Center							
490 W. Poplar Ave Collierville, TN 38017 901-854-8506							
Mary Owenc/o Lisa Gallagher							
2240 Shrewsbury Collierville, TN 38017 901-753-5641							
Tommie Reed 6301 Village Dr. #114 Memphis, TN 38115 901-518-1623							
Anthony Williams 9305 Stateline #206 Olive Branch, MS 38654 901-864-7865							

<sup>\*</sup> If an applicable name has been missed, please let me know flowalk@bellsouth.net or 901-754-5921.

#### FOOD FOR THOUGHT

## "To have a friend is to have everything."

Worship with us on Capleville UMC Face-book page via livestream or replay or Worship by phone. Our service is livestreamed at 11am on Sundays; and the playback is also available by calling 901-522-5545.

Missing Sunday School Class?
Worship with the Faithwalkers Class at 9:00am every Sunday morning via Zoom.
Email Shawnh Curry at curryshawnh@gmail.com to get access directions.



"Make a joyful noise, unto the Lord."



#### **Homebound Members**

#### Florence Brown

- 2381 Howard Rd.Germantown, TN 39138901-309-6546

#### **Linda Crump**

- 177 N. Highland Allen Morgan #255 Mphs 38111

#### **Shepherd Harkness**

7008 Apple Creek Dr. Memphis, TN 38125 901-737-4841

#### **Billie Lawson**

-Azalea Gardens Nursing 530 Hall St. Wiggins, MS 39577

#### **Ronnie McElya**

-Collierville Rehab Center/ Skilled Nursing Center 490 W. Poplar Ave Collierville, TN 38017 901-854-8506

#### **Mary Owen**

- c/o Lisa Gallagher 2240 Shrewsbury Collierville, TN 38017 901-753-5641



Our Homebound & Under-the-Weather Members are unable to see you on Sunday morning. You can let them know they are missed by sending a card or placing a call. Keep them in your prayers.

#### **Under-the-Weather Members**

Becky Mahaffy 6186 Berrypick Memphis, TN 38105 901-484-3373

Please don't forget them - send cards or call.





#### October Ushers \*

- Oct. 5 Voretta McMillian, Erv Walker, Shannon Ray, Robert Weathers
- Oct. 12 Lee Nicks, Shannon Ray, Tashawn Pirela-Kassin, Erv Walker
- Oct. 19 Voretta McMillian, Robert Weathers, Lee Nicks, Ann Vinson
- Oct. 26 Tashawn Pirela-Kassin, Ann Vinson, Erv Walker, Robert Weathers

\*If you are not available on the day you are assigned, someone will stand in for you.



## **October Birthdays** Glenda Clark ..... 1st Chandra Wilson ..... 1st Mark Compton ...... 2nd Chris Michael ...... 9th Lynn Thompson ..... 11th Linda Crump ...... 11th Laurette Thymes ...... 12th Bev Fitzgerald ...... 18th Nya Sanders ...... 19th Mary Owen ...... 21st

Jesus is Love

Jesus Wept

Jesus Loves Me, This I Know!

With God all things are possible!

Worship on YOUTUBE or in-person 11am

# **Every Day is Prayer Day**

# Sending up Special

Prayers for:

Mary Margaret Clower

**Bev Compton** 

Stan & Marilyn Hathaway

Melvin & Laverne Johnson

**Betsy Morrison** 

Little Miss Tru Nicks

**Overman Family** 

Thelma Pilbeam's Family

Rita Pirela

Pastor Andy Thompson & Family

**Robert Weathers** 

All He asks us to do is Love each other.

God is with us, always!

Join Zoom Sunday School 9:00am





# October 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 BINGO 10a-11a -Sr. Exercise Class 11a-12p -Choir Prac-	2 Fitness Class 6:30-7:30p	3 Church Office Closed	4 TechForAll Class
5 Worship Service 11am Communion	6 Church Ofc. Open 9a-2pm Mon-Thurs	7 Food Pan- try 11a—1p - HUMS Mtg -Bible Study	8 BINGO 10a-11a -Sr. Exercise Class 11a-12p -Choir Prac- tice	9 Fitness Class 6:30-7:30p	10 Church Office Closed	11
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