



The Capleville Messenger

“Let’s Do L.I.F.E. Together”
November 2025



Happy Thanksgiving !

From the desk of Pastor Andy



A Season of Thanksgiving and Hope

By Pastor Andy Thompson

As we enter the month of November, we find ourselves stepping into a season of gratitude—a time to pause, reflect, and give thanks for all that God has done and continues to do in our lives. Yet, Thanksgiving is more than a day on the calendar; it is a way of life for people of faith. It reminds us that we are not only recipients of God’s blessings but also called to be a blessing to others, especially those who struggle to meet their daily needs.

This year, our sense of gratitude takes on deeper meaning amid continued political division and the challenges of a government shutdown that impacts families, seniors, and children who depend on vital programs and resources. In moments like these, our faith must move from words to action. The Church—our church—stands as a living witness to God’s love and compassion by offering food to the hungry, clothing to those in need, encouragement to the weary, and hope to the discouraged. Through ministries like our Food Pantry, Clothes Closet, and community partnerships, Capleville UMC embodies the hands and heart of Christ in a world that deeply needs both.

As we turn toward Advent, we are invited to reflect not only on the coming of Christ over two thousand years ago, but also on the ways Christ continues to come to us today—in every act of kindness, every word of peace, and every expression of love. Each of us has the opportunity to make the presence of Christ real and visible in our community. When we give, serve, and share, we become part of God’s ongoing story of redemption and grace.

May this season of Thanksgiving remind us that gratitude is not only about what we have, but what we are willing to give. And as we prepare our hearts for Advent, may we renew our commitment to live as people of hope, love, and faith—bringing Christ into the world in new and meaningful ways

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*God
is the
answer!*





In Memoriam



Jim Baird

When the Lord calls our loved ones home, He leaves a gift of memories in exchange.

We will remember.

Please keep Sandy and the Baird family in your prayers.



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.

Collection and Deposit Preparation Team - 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 -

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| Food Pantry | Worship | Usher | Liturgist |
| Church Hospitality | Church Library | Historian | Basic Grounds Maintenance |



“Little is much when God is in it.” Matthew 14:13-21



The United Methodist Men reestablish Capleville's "Annual Fish Fry".

The event was held on Saturday, October 25th. David Bethel chaired the event. Pastor Andy and Lee Nicks provided their cooking expertise. The United Women of Faith (UWF) provided the sides. If you didn't get a chance to taste Barbara King's "Gumbo", you missed a mouth watering delicacy. The event's proceeds will be used for the UMM's ministry.





BEAUTIFUL WRAPPING
BARBARA



Leslie Curry, Editor
BINGO FRENZY

Ms. Debra Green cleaned up at
Wednesday's BINGO.
She won the first 3 games..

GREAT JOB!!

Wreath Making Event-Beautiful



Marilyn Hathaway, Mary Ann Overman & Barbara King



MORE BEAUTIFUL WREATHS



"God calls us we only need to follow His directions."



*You're
Invited*

An Open Invitation

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,

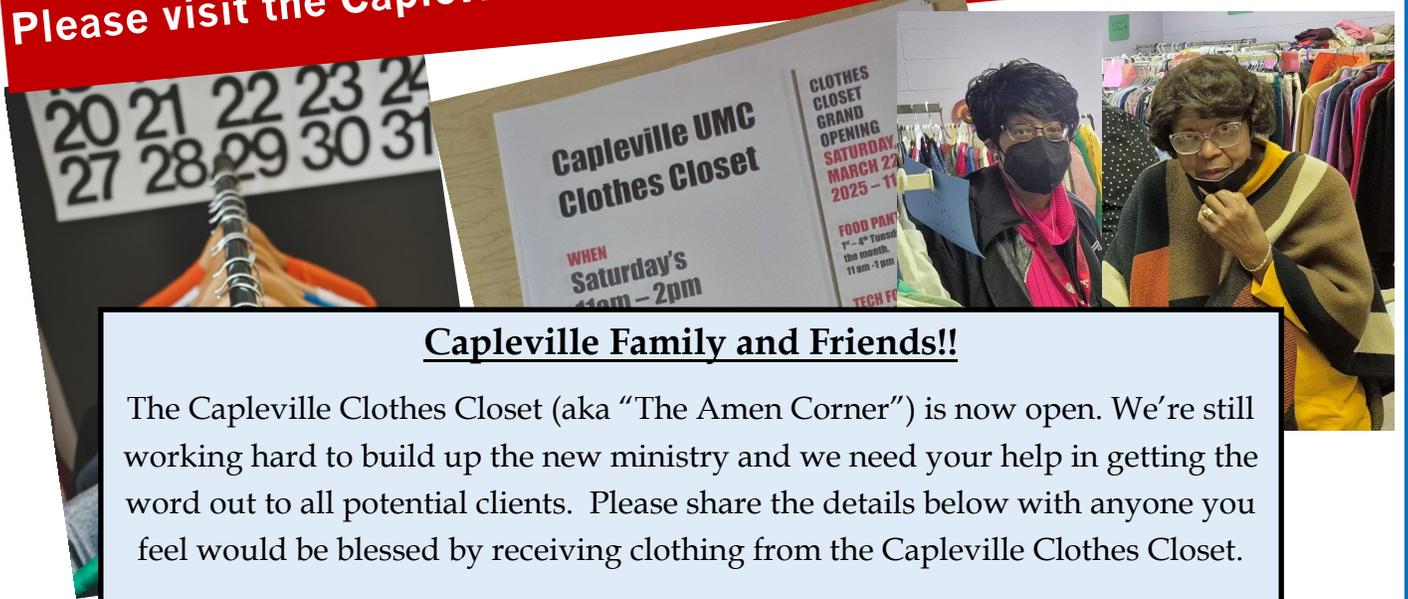
supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the ministries of the church. If you would like to participate, please call one of the numbers above or just call the church office 901-363-1859.



"God is Love!"



Please visit the Capleville UMC Clothes Closet !



Capleville Family and Friends!!

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."



ARE YOU READY FOR SOME BINGO?

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

Senior Exercise Class to follow 11a-12noon

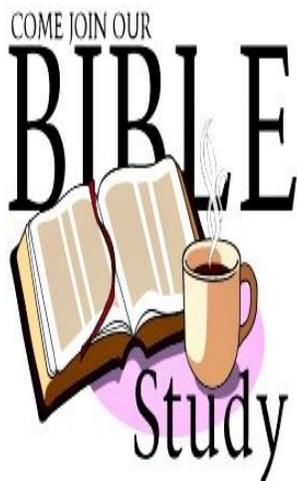
Call the church office or Barbara King 901-363-1859
for additional information.

Thursday Evening Fitness Class

Trainer-Shomar Michael



"God is good, all the time."



LADIES TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Using Dr. Jeremiah's commentary on Ephesians, we are digging deep into what Paul has to say to us today. Did you know there are 2 meanings in the New Testament for the word "justify? One is acquittal or declared righteous, and the other is vindication or proof. Paul says you are declared righteous by your faith, and the proof is in the good works you do for those in need. We meet on Tuesdays at 10:00 am in room 206 in the church building.

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.

*Kroger
Cards*



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."



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.

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.



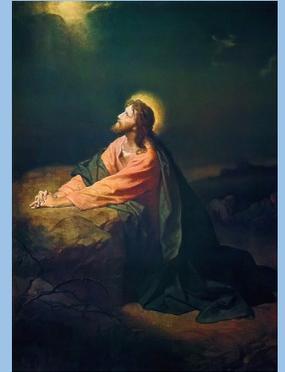
“I am with you and will protect you wherever you are.”



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@bellsouth.net or flowalk@bellsouth.net or call the church office at 901-363-1859.



Dear God,

We confess our need for you today. We need your healing and your grace. We need **hope** restored. We need to be reminded that you work on behalf of those you **love**, constantly, powerfully, completely. Forgive us for trying to fix our situations all on our own. Forgive us for running all different directions and spinning our wheels to find help, when true help and **healing** must be found first in You. Forgive us for forgetting how much we need you, above everyone and everything else. 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**



Bible Quiz

Thank You” Jesus

The Bible mentions some peoples in great detail, while others have received only a few words. Nevertheless, the lesser-known individuals also displayed extraordinary faith and thanksgiving. This True or False quiz shares questions about obscure individuals who were thankful to be blessed by Jesus. Test your knowledge.

- ___ 1. When Jesus saw me he said “Woman you are set free from your infirmity” and I was no longer bent over.
- ___ 2. I was a Centurion seeking help from Jesus to heal my mother-in-law and after expressing great faith in Jesus, he healed her.
- ___ 3. We were two blind men calling out to Jesus, “Have mercy on us, Son of David!” and he restored our sight.
- ___ 4. I was a lame man that sat at the pool in Bethesda for 38 years and Jesus healed me.
- ___ 5. We were ten lepers, calling out to Jesus to have pity on us, after we were cleansed, we all thanked him.
- ___ 6. At first, Jesus resisted granting my request to remove a demon from my daughter. However, because of my faith and persistence, she was healed.

Answers: 1.True (Luke 13:10-13) 2.False (Luke 7:1-10) 3.True (Matt. 9:27-30)
4.True (John 5:1-8) 5.False (Luke 17:11-16) 6.True (Matt. 15:22-28)

Food For Thought

Be thankful for what you have; you'll end up having more. If you concentrate on what you don't have, you will never, ever have enough.

Oprah Winfrey

The Laugh Zone

Thanksgiving Day Football



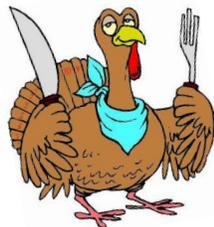
As usual on Thanksgiving Day, after eating a delicious meal with family and friends, I am ready to retire to the family room to watch football games with all the fans in the house.

About a half hour later, my 5 year old daughter came running into the family room to see what we were yelling about. She smiled and asked (something her Mother always does) “What’s the score?” I told her it was the end of the second quarter and that the score was still nothing to nothing.

She said, continuing to smile, “Daddy, I am so happy to know, you didn't miss a thing.”



“Jesus invites all of us to come to Him.”



“GOD BLESS THIS HOUSE !!”

The Capleville UMC Community Food Pantry, continues God’s work, helping to feed the less fortunate. This month is “TURKEY GIVEAWAY MONTH”. We are collecting money to purchase turkeys for our neighbors. The turkeys will be distributed on Tuesday, November 25th at 11:00a. If you want to help, please make a donation or just show up, we’ll be happy to see you.

As usual, the pantry can always use; beans, peanut butter, rice, tuna, cheese, beans & franks, spam, beef-a-roni, soup and jelly.

Food prices are up. 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 October, the Food Pantry served:

October 7th	47 Families	106 Individuals
October 14th	34 Families	63 Individuals
October 21st	19 Families	63 Individuals
October 28th	28 Families	52 Individuals

Total 128 Families and 284 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. Collierville, TN 38017901-859-6106
 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 Owen c/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

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

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

The word long is shorter, than the word short."

Worship with us on Capleville UMC Facebook page via livestream or replay or Worship by phone. Our service is live-streamed 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.**



"Jesus loves me and I love Him."



Homebound Members

Florence Brown

- 2381 Howard Rd.
Germantown, TN 39138
901-309-6546

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

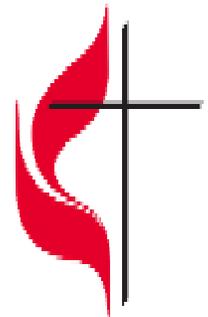
Becky Mahaffy

6186 Berrypick

Memphis, TN 38105

901-484-3373

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





November Ushers *

- Nov. 2 - Voretta McMillian, Erv Walker, Shannon Ray, Robert Weathers
- Nov. 9 - Lee Nicks, Shannon Ray, Tashawn Pirela-Kassin, Erv Walker
- Nov. 16 - Voretta McMillian, Robert Weathers, Lee Nicks, Ann Vinson
- Nov. 23 - Tashawn Pirela-Kassin, Ann Vinson, Erv Walker, Robert Weathers
- Nov. 30 - Erv Walker, Shannon Ray, Ann Vinson, Lee Nicks



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



November Birthdays

- Barbara King 1st
- Alexandria Rogers 3rd
- John Roberson 7th
- Jason Roberson 7th
- Peggy Cole 8th
- Shephard Harkness 15th
- Jasmine Roberson 16th
- Myron Johnson 17th
- Rev. Robert Clark 25th
- Tim Brodersen 28th
- Rev. Harry Mathewson 30th

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

Jesus is Love

Jesus Wept

Jesus Loves Me,
This I Know!

With God all things are possible!

Worship on YOUTUBE
or in-person 11am

All He asks us to do is Love
each other.

God is with us, always !

Join Zoom Sunday School
9:00am



November 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 <i>TechForAll Class</i>
2 Worship Service 11am <i>Communion</i> Daylight Savings Time	3 Church Ofc. Open 9a-2pm Mon-Thurs	4 Food Pantry 11a—1p - <i>HUMS Mtg</i> - <i>Bible Study</i> Election Day	5 BINGO 10a-11a -Sr. Exercise Class 11a-12p - <i>Choir Practice</i>	6 <i>Fitness Class</i> 6:30-7:30p	7 Church Office Closed	8
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