# The MEMORIAL MESSENGER

# JUNE 2020



#### Dear Church Members:

The Church Council has received guidelines & requirements from Bishop Bindy Taylor this week about re-opening the Church. The Council met on Thursday, June 4th and after much deliberation we are hopeful that our 1st Church service will be on JULY 5th. This is a tentative date because we must meet all requirements the Conference requires and get approval of re-opening from the District Superintendent as well.

From the conference guidelines, we know there are several items that are non-negotiable. They are as follows:

- 1) Face Masks are to be worn by everyone, at all times.
- 2) Social Distancing of 6' or more, at all times.
- 3) Documented attendance of all persons present, at every service.
- 4) Cleaning & Sanitizing must be done after each usage.

# Church will be DIFFERENT

from what we are all use to as we follow the Conference guidelines.

You will have to bring your own Bible as the Bibles and Hymnals have been removed to protect against contamination. There will still be NO Sunday School or Group Meetings until further notice.

If you have any questions or concerns please call the Church Office or contact Pastor Scott. We want to hear from you!

# \*REMEMBER TO PRAY\*

For our Extended at home family members. For our Pastor, Our Church and Church Families. Pray for our Nation as we struggle with fighting this pandemic. Pray for our first responders, our doctors & medical professional that are on the front lines trying to preserve life. Pray for our Service Men, Women, and their families at this un-nerving time both at home and abroad. Pray for your neighbors who may be quarantined to their home.

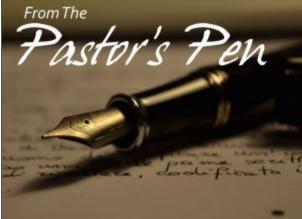
# Birthdays for JUNE 2020

6/01 Cole Sellers 6/21 Jeff Maxwell 6/01 Sophie Hitson 6/21 Claire Pietzak

6/11 Bill Steinkamp 6/22 Brady Sellers 6/11 John Lomax 6/23 Buford Bray

6/11 Sharon McCarty
6/12 Suzan Moore

Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday Memorial Members, Happy Birthday to you!



This has been a week where it feels great to boast about being your pastor. In addition to delivering 25 mission buckets for our annual hands-on mission project, we celebrate achievements by our graduates, and the various missions and ministries still being done in Jesus' name.

I could be no prouder as our Church Council met to discuss how to move forward with a plan to re-open

the church for worship. Each and every member (with one exception, whose mask broke) was masked and distanced. And while we all brought our own feelings and ideas to the table, our agendas were all filtered through the question of "what's the safest way to proceed so everyone can feel safe?"

Jesus said, "Don't worry about tomorrow. It will take care of itself. You have enough to worry about today." Matt 6:34 CEV So we are moving forward, not with worry but with caution and love for one another. Pray for those who are planning and working to that end. It is a hard job, but God will be our strength. Scott



Photographer: Nancy Harper who was also masked.

#### YOUTH NEWS

Parents: We have found many contact email addresses missing in our Youth & Children's records. Please update your Child/Youth record to allow us to continue to send weekly Bible Studies and Devotions.

Call or email with any questions. Thank you. Carol Long

#### SPECIAL PRAYERS

Please add to your Prayer list Lily Kay & Robby Reed who are both recovering from surgery.

Juanita Smith who is healing at home.

Gibby Seals recovering from surgery.



#### TRUSTEES NEWS

The next WEEKEND of OUTSIDE work at the Church will be Saturday, June 13th, starting at 9:00 am. (weather cooperating). The focus will be the front courtyard. We need to weed, trim tree limbs etc. If you can help in any way, please come. Bring your favorite weeding tool, knee pads, sunscreen and whatever else you may think needed;

we'll make a party of it until it gets too hot to work.

Cold water will be provided.

Thank you so very much! Nancy Thrasher



### Financial Update from Memorial UMC May 31 2020

Thank you for your continued financial support to the church. Your support means we can pay our bills and salaries so that we can continue to function soundly during and after quarantine times. However, as you can see from the report below, we need your continued financial support.

We received \$13,007 in giving for May. Our expenses were \$22,281 for a \$9,274 shortfall. For the year (January through May), we have shortfall of \$21,459.

There are several ways you can send in your contributions:

Mail: Memorial UMC 323 N. Main Street Clinton, TN 37716

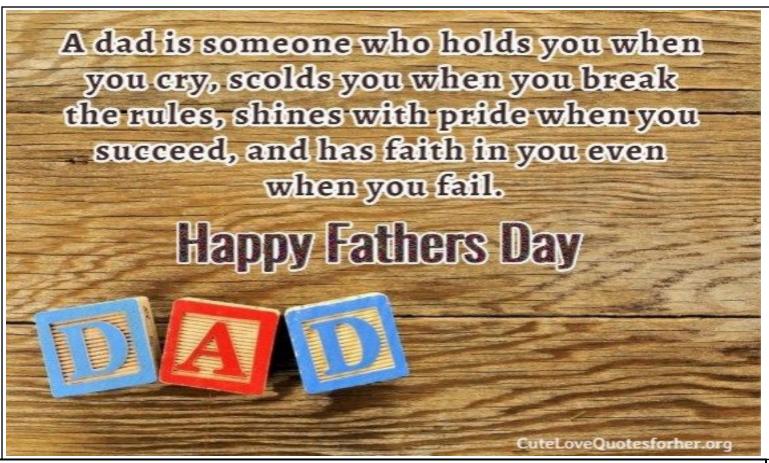
On-line Check Pay: You can have your checks sent directly from your bank under the bill pay option offered at most banks.

**On-line:** Visit our website: <a href="www.mumcclinton.org">www.mumcclinton.org</a>. You will find alternate giving methods under the **GIVE** option on the top right side of the website.

**Questions?** Contact the church Church Phone: 865-457-2287 Email: info@mumcclinton.org

In Christ's Service,

**Bebe Combs** 



# **MEMORIALS**

In Memory of:

**Bettye Seivers** 

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**Bettve Seivers** 

**Nell Charles** 

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Rena Cristy

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Seivers

Given by:

Phil Wenk & Beth Fugua

Peggy McNabb

Krushenski Family, Oak Ridge

Bob & Janet Wormsley, Caryville

Johnanna Sprague

Joyce Wilson

**Sharon McCarty** 

**Becky Williams** 

Requested Fund:

Sanctuary Remodel

**General Memorials** 

**Food Pantry** 

**Food Pantry** 

Food Pantry & more

Music, Hymnal

**Food Pantry** 

**General Memorials** 

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