

The Parish Visitor

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Church News

VeggieTales Movie

A VeggieTales movie event is planned for 4:00 pm on Sunday, July 19, 2009. We'll be watching *Minnesota Cuke and the Search for Noah's Umbrella*. Big Idea provides the following description:

Minnesota Cuke learns to overcome his fear of ridicule in the service of doing the right thing. ... A wealthy Humphrey Muffet asks Minnesota to go in search of the famed Noah's Ark – an artifact he wants as the centerpiece of his Biblically themed goldfish pond. Along the way, Minnesota endures much ridicule as he completes the ludicrous tasks required by an ancient book of clues. With several twists and turns along the way, the clues eventually lead not to Noah's Ark, but to Noah's umbrella.

This is a great show, and as usual, we'll have theater-style popcorn and drinks, pages to color, and more.

From the Pastor's Blog: Church Wide Cookout, July 1, 2009

I've previously mentioned the *Minnesota Cuke and the Search for Noah's Umbrella* VeggieTales Movie Event we'll be hosting on July 19. What I didn't mention, because I had forgotten about it, was the fact that we'll also be having a cookout following the movie at 5:00 pm. Everyone is invited, this is one way we anticipate celebrating the successful completion of Vacation Bible School.

From Pastor's Blog: Of Food Pantries and School Supplies, June 26, 2009

We're thankful for all the folks who have worked to help us stock the food pantry in recent months. In particular, we're thankful to have a well stocked food pantry that allows us to turn our focus to the Pack Their Packs program. On the first Sunday of the next two months (both July and August) we'll be focusing on filling the shopping cart (or buggy) not with food, but with school supplies. If the pantry gets low, we'll let you know about it.

From Pastor's Blog: Pack Their Packs Makes Front Page News, July 1, 2009

I'm very happy that the Pack Their Packs project made the front page of the *Coffeyville Journal*. We really need the help of the entire city for a project this size and an article above the fold on the front page is a great way to begin getting that support.

From Pastor's Blog: **Flight Into the Parlor**, June 26, 2009

Over the years, the UV rays of the sun coming through the lobby windows have done a great deal of damage to the painting of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph hanging on the lobby's north wall. For that reason this valuable painting has been moved to the parlor where it will be rehung on the west wall. The painting will not be as visible there, but it should be out of harm's way. The trustees are considering various replacements for the blank space that is now in the lobby. Thanks for your understanding.

The title of this post is meant to mirror the Biblical story known as "The Flight into Egypt."

Lost and Found

A set of keys has been turned into the church office. There are quite a few keys on this key ring. If you are missing some keys please contact Linda in the church office.

VBS is Coming

If you do not yet have your child's Vacation Bible School registration turned in, it needs to be done soon. The planners for VBS need to know how many children are going to attend and the registrations really help. To register you may fill out a registration form and return it to the church office or simply call the church office at 620-251-3240 or send an email to johnandjenny@revcollins.com. VBS is planned to start July 13, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

Book Club: *The Great Divorce* by C. S. Lewis

We'll soon be starting a five week book club of C.S. Lewis' *The Great Divorce*. The back cover of the book presents a more than adequate description:

C. S. Lewis takes us on a profound journey through both heaven and hell in this engaging allegorical tale. Using his extraordinary descriptive powers, Lewis introduces us to supernatural beings who will change the way we think about good and evil. In *The Great Divorce*, C. S. Lewis again employs his formidable talent for fable and allegory. The writer, in a dream, finds himself in a bus which travels between Hell and Heaven. This is the starting point for an extraordinary meditation upon good and evil which takes issue with William Blake's *The Marriage of Heaven and Hell*. In Lewis's own words, "If we insist on keeping Hell (or even earth) we shall not see Heaven: if we accept Heaven then we shall not be able to retain even the smallest and most intimate souvenirs of Hell."

And according to the Amazon.com review:

The book's primary message is presented with almost oblique tidiness—"There are only two kinds of people in the end: those who say to God, 'Thy will be done,' and those to whom God says, in the end, 'Thy will be done.'"

This is a great book, we hope to see you on **Tuesdays at 7:00 pm beginning July 14, 2009.**

Prayer Concerns

For privacy reasons we do not post prayer concerns in the online version please contact the church office to receive a list.

If you know of anyone who needs to be added to or deleted from the above list of prayer concerns please fill out the attendance/prayer concern sheet found in the Sunday bulletin, call the church office at 620-251-3240, or send an email to linda@coffeyvillefirstumc.org.

Our Giving

June 7, 2009: General Operating Fund — \$5,036; Board of Trustees — \$128; Sunday School Offering — \$25.85; Emergency Assistance Fund — \$2; Genesis, Inc. — \$125

June 14, 2009: General Operating Fund — \$5,781; Board of Trustees — \$223; Sunday School Offering — \$32.40; Emergency Assistance Fund — \$2; Bridges to the Future — \$8; Pack Their Packs — \$200

June 21, 2009: General Operating Fund — \$4,152; Board of Trustees — \$6; Sunday School Offering — \$34.45; Pack Their Packs — \$71

June 28, 2009: General Operating Fund — \$2,997; Board of Trustees — \$31; Sunday School Offering — \$31.05; Emergency Assistance Fund — \$4; Bridges to the Future — \$8; Sunday School Literature — \$10

July Birthdays

- 3 Gayle Lank
- 4 Audrey Tuggle
- 5 Charles Cornett
- 6 Lucille Williford
- 8 Danny Funk and Maxine Hostetter
- 10 Phyllis Pevehouse
- 11 Max Williams
- 14 Betty Sullivan
- 17 Judy Hiner
- 19 Joan Shearhart
- 20 Rowene McClure
- 21 Kay Henderson and Karen Hendryx
- 25 J. L. Hunt and Mary Neely
- 27 Tom Ingram and Nolan Luhn
- 29 Pratt Barndollar and Gene Hughey
- 30 Dorothy Durkin and Betty Hayes

August Birthdays

- 2 Gayle Keith
- 3 Dorothy Beals and Sarah Brown and Betty Chronister
- 4 Jim Taylor, Jr.
- 5 Robert Sallee
- 8 Kendall Garton and Klinell Hey
- 9 Pug Clough
- 11 Joyce Banta and Jackie Clough and Vernie Stallings
- 12 Emma Pool
- 13 Chad McMurray
- 15 Charlotte McMurray
- 16 Rev. Jenny Collins and Glenn Hamby
- 18 Gail Misch and Betty Sandon
- 19 Evelyn Evitts
- 20 Phyllis Thornbrough
- 23 Connie Nehrbass and J.R. Sullivan
- 26 Jerry Peckham

We've started listing birthdays for two months so that additions can be made before a birthday passes. Please let us know of any additions or corrections that are needed.

Regular Weekly Events

Sunday	8:10 am	Worship in the Chapel (Small Worship Area)
	9:30 am	Sunday School and Coffee Time
	10:50 am	Worship in the Sanctuary (Large Worship Area)
Monday	7:15 am	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
Tuesday	12:00 pm	Al-Anon Meeting in the Library

July 2009 Church Calendar

Saturday, July 4	Independence Day
Monday, July 6	Church Office Closed
Tuesday, July 7	1:30 pm VBS Volunteers Decorating 4:00 pm VBS Volunteers Orientation Meeting
Wednesday, July 8	1:30-4:00 pm VBS Volunteers Decorating and Planning 5:15 pm Vision Team Meeting (Room 102)
Thursday, July 9	1:30-4:00 pm VBS Volunteers Decorating and Planning
Friday, July 10	1:30-4:00 pm VBS Volunteers Decorating and Planning
Monday-Friday, July 13-17	9-12 am Vacation Bible School, "Camp EDGE"
Sunday, July 19	2:30 pm Asbury Village Devotional Service
Wednesday, July 22	5:15 pm Vision Team Meeting (Room 102)

Contact Us

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Quotable

You can do something, through Christ strengthening you. Stir up the spark of grace which is now in you, and he will give you more grace.

— John Wesley, *On Working Out Our Own Salvation*



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