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BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, July 27 from 2-6 p.m. Blood Assurance supplies all of the blood products used at CRMC. You can save three lives with each donation. All blood types are needed. You will receive a \$25 gift card with your donation, and church receives \$10 for each donation. You can sign up for a specific time or drop by at your convenience. Look for the Assurance bus parked across from the church. Register with Deborah at Deborah@cookevillefumc.org.

Sunday Services

Worship Service

8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Sunday School

9:45 a.m.

Live Broadcasts

11 a.m.—News Talk FM 94.1

www.YouTube.com

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LET'S FELLOWSHIP

Some of the best experiences I had in the church growing up took place at fellowship events. I enjoyed VBS, youth group and Bible Studies, but something special seemed to always happen when we gathered as God's people for a meal and to simply enjoy being together.

You may have noticed that we are offering more opportunities for fellowship. It seems that people are wanting to gather and enjoy being together. Burger bash is another opportunity for fellowship. You don't have to be signed up for a Wednesday night class or part of any Wednesday night activities to come break bread and enjoy some fellowship time.

This first meal is free to everyone who signs up before the August 3 deadline. Register online at www.cookevillefumc.org/burger-bash. If you've already registered for the meal on the Wednesday Night Class Registration page, you're all set!

So register for the Burger Bash and come expecting to meet someone new and to learn more about old church friends through fellowship time together. I look forward to seeing you there.

Peace,

Chip



By Our Presence

Sunday, July 12, 2026

Total In-person and Online Views 435

Sunday, July 19, 2026

Total In-person and Online Views 399

BY OUR GIFTS

Budget Receipts for Two Weeks \$ 63,883.49

Budget Expenses for Two Weeks \$ 74,557.11

ONLINE GIVING

We have several ways for you to support the ongoing ministries and operating expenses of your church.

- Mail your check to 165 E Broad St., Cookeville, TN 38501
- Automatic draft on the 5th and/or 20th each month.
- Online giving by credit card
- Online giving through recurring donations

Please call LuAnn in the church office at 526-2177 if you would like to setup automatic draft or have any questions about other options. Online giving is available through our website at www.cookevillefumc.org/giving. Thanks for your continued support!

FAMILY SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children, Youth, and Parents are invited to join us ALL TOGETHER for a Family Sunday School time this summer! This will be geared toward our K-12th graders. Parents are encouraged to stay with their children, but it is not required. However, this is for the kids just as much as the adults and everyone will get something out of it!

→ July 26: Meet in the Freeman Gym for a morning of helping out our Servant Ministries.

JULY BACKSLIDER SPEAKERS

July 26 Ken Reinard



For updated information, please visit us online at www.cookevillefumc.org or find us on Facebook.

NEW WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES

Our Wednesday Night Life program has been revamped! We hope you'll join us in one of our many new classes listed in this brochure.

Term One takes place from August 12—September 30. We have added three afternoon sessions, which meet from 3:30—5 p.m.

Wednesday Night Meals

Wednesday night meals will take place directly after at 5 p.m. in the Christian Life Center, which you can register for online at www.cookevillefumc.org/wnl-2. Meals are \$10 per person with a \$40 cap for families, payable at the door. Following the meal, we have six evening classes available, which take place from 6:00—7:15 p.m.

You can register online for classes and meals at: www.cookevillefumc.org/wnl-2, or call the church office at (931) 526-2177.

Nursey, Children, and Youth

Nursery services are available for children from birth—Pre-K from 5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Bus pick is available for 5th -12th grade from Cookeville High School, Algood Middle School, Avery Trace, and Prescott, or drop off at the church at 3:30 p.m.

4 - 5 p.m.:

- Children's Music (Choir Room)
- Youth Programming (Youth Room)

5 - 6 p.m. Dinner (CLC)

6 - 7 p.m.:

- Youth Choir (Choir Room)
- Children's Programming (CLC)

Childcare after 7 p.m. is available by arrangement. For more information, contact Kelsey at Children@cookevillefumc.org or Isabel at Youth@cookevillefumc.org.

BRUNCH WITH CHIP AND ZACH

Are you new (or new-ish) to Cookeville FUMC? Or have you been here awhile? Are you thinking about joining? Or have you been a member for years? If you have questions for Chip and Zach, come join them for brunch on Sunday, August 16 during the Sunday School hour in the Christian Life Center. Pre-register online at www.cookevillefumc.org/brunchso we know how many people to prepare for.



JOIN PASTOR CHIP WITH TTU FRESHMAN MOVE-IN

Pastor Chip is signed up with Tennessee Tech's Welcome Home Freshman Move-in to help students move in on August 13. You can join him on August 13 from 8:30 - 11:30am or you can sign up for one of the other five volunteer shifts on August 13 and 14. Come out and welcome our newest Cookeville residents.



EMERGENT PRAYER CONCERNS

Billie Hogue
Bob Jager
Rebecca Jones
Jannie Worley
Harriet Wright

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Join us for our annual Blessing of the Backpacks on August 2 during each of our Sunday services (both sanctuary services and Renew). We will hand out special bag tags and say a prayer over everyone as you head into a new school year. This year we will be handing out tags that you get to decorate yourself! Join us during the Sunday School hour in the gym for breakfast snacks, a devotion time, and to decorate our bag tags together.

YOUTH LOCK-IN

Join us for bowling, games, and a whole night of fun with FUMC Youth! August 28 - 29, from 8:30 a.m. - 6 a.m. Sign up online at:
www.cookevillefumc.org/lock-in

COME WATCH THE CHOSEN WITH US

We invite you to join us each Thursday for a special time of fellowship, encouragement, and community as we gather to watch The Chosen with our Grace on the Go Friends.

The movie will begin at 11:30 a.m., and we are looking for people to serve as hosts from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Hosts help create a warm and welcoming atmosphere, share conversation, offer encouragement, and simply spend time building relationships with those who attend.

This is an opportunity to share God's love, extend grace, and walk alongside our friends in a meaningful way. Whether you come to watch, serve, or both, you can make a difference.

If you would like to sign up to host or learn more, please contact Tamika in the church office. We hope you'll join us.

"Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." – Romans 15:7

Sunday, July 26

8:30 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. Sunday School — Classrooms
11:00 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
11:15 a.m. Renew Service — Wesley Chapel

Monday, July 27

7:00 a.m. Monday Morning Bible Study — Jeff Wall Hall
9:00 a.m. Pickleball — Gym
Pantry Packing — Parking Garage
9:30 a.m. Mah Jongg — B012
1:00 p.m. Pickleball — Gym
3:00 p.m. Blood Assurance — Parking lot of First Presbyterian

Tuesday, July 28

9:00 a.m. Pickleball — Gym
1:00 p.m. Pickleball — Gym
2:00 p.m. Food Pantry Distribution — Side Parking Lot

Wednesday, July 29

2:30 p.m. Knitting — B206

Thursday, July 30

8:00 a.m. Women's Upper Room Devotion Time — B206
9:00 a.m. Pickleball — Gym
10:30 a.m. Daytime Bible Study — B206
11:00 a.m. Grace on the Go — Side Parking Lot
1:00 p.m. Table Tennis — Gym
Mah Jongg — B012

Friday, July 31

7:45 a.m. Dipsy Doodle—Off Campus

Sunday, August 2 — Blessing of the Backpacks

8:30 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. Sunday School — Classrooms
11:00 a.m. Worship Service — Sanctuary
11:15 a.m. Renew Service — Wesley Chapel

Monday, August 3

7:00 a.m. Monday Morning Bible Study — Jeff Wall Hall
9:00 a.m. Pickleball — Gym
9:30 a.m. Mah Jongg — B012
1:00 p.m. Pickleball — Gym

Tuesday, August 4

9:00 a.m. Pickleball — Gym
10:00 a.m. Anna Rebecca Circle — Meeting at Dogwood Park
1:00 p.m. Pickleball — Gym

Wednesday, August 5

2:30 p.m. Knitting — B206
5:00 p.m. Burger Bash — Christian Life Center
7:15 p.m. Chancel Choir — Choir Room

Thursday, August 6

8:00 a.m. Women's Upper Room Devotion Time — B206
9:00 a.m. Pickleball — Gym
10:30 a.m. Daytime Bible Study — B206
11:00 a.m. Grace on the Go — Side Parking Lot
1:00 p.m. Table Tennis — Gym
Mah Jongg — B012

Friday, August 7

7:45 a.m. Dipsy Doodle—Off Campus



Starting
August 12!

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Wednesday
Night
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Sharing the story of grace in the heart of town.

VBS 2026

We had the BEST time ever at VBS this last week! The week was filled with so much joy and fun! We focused on Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through him who gives me strength." We played games, conducted science experiments, put together crafts, danced, sang, and learned that God gives us strength each and every day. Thank you so much to all our wonderful adult and youth volunteers who helped make everything happen. See you next year!



SEATS & FEET:

A SIMPLE WAY TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE



Our Seats & Feet collection is helping stock our church's Shower Trailer Ministry with new socks and underwear for men and women. Every item donated helps someone leave with confidence, and the reminder that they are seen, valued, and loved by God.

We invite you to join us by donating new, unopened socks and underwear. Medium and large sizes of men's and women's socks and underwear are needed NOW. Your donation will make a lasting difference in someone's day and open the door for conversations, prayer, and the love of Christ.

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in."

~ Matthew 25:35

BURGER BASH!



Join us August 5, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. for Burger Bash, our annual Fall semester kick off event, marking the beginning of the school year and the start of our Wednesday night activities. This first meal is free to everyone who signs up online. If you've already registered for the meal on the Wednesday Night Class Registration page, you're all set! To register for the meal only, go to www.cookevillefumc.org/wednesday-night-meals.