

# Wilmore

united methodist church

Wilmore UMC  
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Summer 2022 Newsletter

VBS IS BACK!



## MONUMENTAL VBS: CELEBRATING GOD'S GREATNESS

Sunday - Thursday

July 10 - 14

6:00 - 8:30 pm

Age 4 - Rising 5th Grade

[www.vbspro.events/p/wilmore](http://www.vbspro.events/p/wilmore)

Join us for VBS this summer as we go off-road for a Monumental adventure through the colorful canyons and sunbaked trails of the southwest! By exploring God's awesomeness, kids form a rock-solid faith for the road ahead. We will be working our way through Genesis 37 - 45 following the story of Joseph as we discover that God loves us no matter what, God is with us everywhere, God is in charge, God is stronger than anything, and God is surprising! We will end the week with a BONUS FRIDAY FUN NIGHT on Friday, July 15.

Our youth friends from St. Luke UMC in Pensacola, FL, will be back to join us this year, but we need all our Wilmore UMC family to help decorate, run the activity stations, help with registration, drop off and pick up, and make dinner for the volunteers.

### *Register your child*

Registration is now open at the VBS website:  
[www.vbspro.events/p/wilmore](http://www.vbspro.events/p/wilmore)

### *How to Volunteer!*

Please plan to attend a Safe Sanctuaries training immediately following worship on **Sunday, June 12**. At that time, you can talk to Esther about the next step!

(If you can't make it to this meeting but still want to volunteer at VBS, just contact Esther at 850.291.6048 or [esther.felt@asburyseminary.edu](mailto:esther.felt@asburyseminary.edu).)

# Summer 2022

<i>Wilmore</i> <small>united methodist church</small>	<i>Summer Events</i>
June 6-10	WUMC Kids at Aldersgate Camp
June 10   6-8pm	Friday Fun Night for All Ages
June 12   12:15pm	Safe Sanctuary Training
June 15	Youth Mystery Day
July 1   6-8pm	Friday Fun Night for All Ages
July 10-14   6-8:30pm	VBS: Celebrating God's Greatness
July 15   6-8pm	Friday Fun Night for All Ages
July 25-30	Youth Mission Trip to Kimball, WV
August 5   6-8pm	Friday Fun Night for All Ages

## Weekly Schedule

### Sundays:

9:45am - Sunday School  
11am - Worship  
5:30pm - Youth Group

### Wednesdays:

9-12pm - Office Hours  
12:15pm - Midweek Prayer via Zoom

### Thursdays:

9-12pm - Office Hours

### Fridays:

9-12pm - Office Hours

## Youth Group

### Youth Mission Trip: Sharing with Appalachian People (SWAP)



This summer the youth are taking a mission trip to Kimball, West Virginia, to work with the organization SWAP, (Sharing with Appalachian People). This organization helps repair homes in the region, works to build relationships with the homeowners and educates groups about the Appalachian region. Our youth

group will be spending the week of July 25th-30th in Kimball, and we would appreciate your prayers and support during our trip!

#### Some of the ways you can support us:

- Join us! We are in need of two more chaperones to go on the trip with us. Your cost will be covered, so there will be no out of pocket expense to you! (And the best part is you get to hang out with some amazing students!)
- Donate snacks and cases of water for our trip.

### Youth Mystery Day June 15

This summer the youth group will also have a youth mystery day in which they travel to do fun things together for the day. The best part is that the youth don't know where we are going or what we are doing until we arrive! This has been one of the most requested yearly events and the youth look forward to it! One of the ways you can help with this event is transportation. We usually are in need of a couple more cars to help transport youth from place to place. If you can help, please contact Victoria McClary at [vmclary@outlook.com](mailto:vmclary@outlook.com).

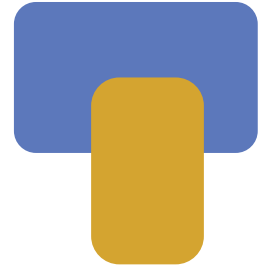
# Friday Fun Nights

This summer, join us on June 10, July 1 and 15, and August 5 for a time of food, fellowship, and intergenerational fun! We will gather for a potluck meal at 6pm in the fellowship hall, and after dinner is over there will be different activity stations, such as the movie room, ping pong, board games, arts and crafts, and others. We will end at 8pm. All ages and stages are welcome to join us!

Join us this summer!

June 10  
July 1  
July 15  
August 5

6:00-8:00pm



## Trustees News

A big thank you to the fifteen folks who helped with our congregation work day on April 30. The shrubs were trimmed, the kitchen and parlor were cleaned, windows were washed, outside power washing was done. A few days later, Dale Shunk and John Popp power washed the door awning, steps, and discolored outside walls, and Dale painted the hand rail to the Clark Chapel Main Street entrance. There always is more to be done, so reach out to John Popp if you have a spare hour or two to help.

A big thank you for ongoing and completed projects with help from GCF. GCF and WUMC shared in the cost of replacing their sanctuary lights with LED bulbs, and the results are wonderful. The GCF custodian has stripped and waxed floors in Kenyon Hall and the kitchen hallway as well. More floor maintenance is forthcoming, including finishing the cement basement floor by the elevator, where loose floor tiles were a tripping hazard.

Our facilities are in need of updating for folks with disabilities. Yes, we have an elevator, but getting to it can be challenging without an automatic door opener. We are beginning the process of updating the outside elevator doors as well as Grout inside doors to have door openers. There are other accessibility improvements as well, identified with the help of Bethany Maciejewski. If you have suggestions or questions, reach out to John.

This summer we look forward to welcoming several groups for special projects: the Rogers Scholars on July 6, and the VBS volunteers from Pensacola, FL, July 10-15. Stay tuned for how you can welcome and help these folks help WUMC.

The Trustee team meets on the first Monday of each month at 7pm. Visitors and new

For more info on the Trustees contact:

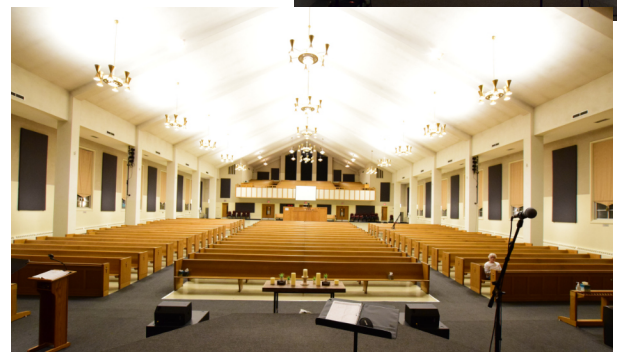
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Above: Work day - April 30 Thanks to all volunteers, especially Benjamin, Andrew, and Jonathan Swartz, as well as Brian Hemenover. Below: recent improvements and GCF Sanctuary before and after.



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## Birthdays and Anniversaries

### June Birthdays

4 - Michelle Kratzer

4 - Brandon McGinnis

13 - Alethia Garrett

14 - Ann Sutlive

15 - Fran Noah

17 - Mimi Jackson

17 - Johnny Fitch

21 - Sarah Baldwin

### June Anniversaries

10 - Owen and Jenny Dickens

13 - Rob and Kristine Lyon

13 - Wayne and Carolyn Vaughan

17 - Vince and Joanne Sutlive

30 - Vins and Ann Sutlive

30 - Evan and Kensi Duszynski

### July Birthdays

2 - Esther Felt

10 - Quinn Endicott

12 - Celeste Letchworth

13 - Cindy Long

22 - Lauren Hemenover

27 - Dale Walker

30 - Kim Lowry

### July Anniversaries

24 - D. and Corrie Merricks

24 - Jay and Christine Endicott

30 - Jim and Janet Brumfield

31 - John-Mark and Susan Brabon

### August Birthdays

3 - Dale Shunk

12 - Mel Noah

13 - Doug Butler

14 - Lolita Burt

25 - Aakruti Christian

30 - Rick Catlett

30 - Jess Kennedy

30 - Jim Wilmot

31 - Wayne Vaughan

### August Anniversaries

12 - John and Suzannah Jording

24 - Rick and Sue Catlett