

**Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8-12 & 1-5  
Closed Friday**

**Pastor, Amanda Crice**

Monday 9:00 - 3:30  
Tuesday. study out of the office;  
Wednesday & Thursday 9:00-4:00  
Friday. or Saturday. Sabbath depending  
on the ministry needs of the church

**Discipleship & Spiritual Formation Director,**  
Karastin Hancock

Monday, Wednesday. & Thursday. 9:00-4:00  
Tuesday work out of the office  
Friday. or Saturday Sabbath depending  
On the ministry needs of the church  
Sunday: open

**Director of Music & Worship Arts,**  
Chrissy Hamilton

Monday & Wednesday 8:00-2:00  
Tuesday & Thursday: 8:00-2:15 Kids Day Out  
Sunday Worship 10:00

**Pastor of Students & Nurture, Bryant Fisher**

Monday. 8:30-4:00,  
Tuesday. 9:00-4:00,  
Wednesday. 7:30-2:30,  
Thursday. work out of the office  
Friday: Sabbath

**Director of Children, Jennifer Vincent**

Monday 8:00-5:00 (ROOTS 3:00-5:00 starting Sept. 9)  
Tuesday & Wednesday 8:00-11:00

**Financial Secretary, Kathy Smith,**  
Wednesday 8:30-4:00

**Administrative Assistant, Judy Mehan**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8:00-5:00  
Lunch 12:00-1:00

**Building & Grounds Supervisor, Ken Hogan**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,  
Friday 7:30-4:00

**Chancel Choir Director, Robert Mancusi**

**Minister of Visitation, Bro. Randy Cooper**

**2024 Council Chair: Claire Wade**  
**Lay Leader: Andy Lewter**  
**Worship Chair: Vicki Smith**  
**Nurture Chair: Caroline Ideus**  
**Serve Chair: Mary Margaret Chester**

**INTERCESSORY PRAYER CONCERNS:** *We ask for your prayers and continued prayers for these we know of. Several more have asked us to keep their situations private. If God places someone's name on your heart, please consider sending a note or giving them a call.*

**Ongoing Concerns:** Richard Guthrie. Kayci, Matt, Blair, Collins Kate & Charli Grace Borden. Steve Lemond. Amy Fisher. Bro. Randy Cooper. Stephanie Mueller. Chris & Kathy Smith. Carol & Dave Politte. Mary Beard. David Reed. Don Clements. Donna Webb. Dee Cannon. Wally Crider. Leslie Morris. Linda Davis. Magen, Braden and Jase Cooper. People in Israel and Palestine. Steve Mohler. Patsy Coates. Marion Pitts. Rosemary Capers. Diane Broughton. Donna Flynt. Paula Moore. Bob & Kay Carroll. Will King. Janice Noble. Keath Turner. Kristen Havener's son, Kaden. Jim & Gina Johnson. Gail Beard Yates. Frances Brewer. District Superintendents Stephen Handy & Nancy Varden. We Care Ministries. UTM Wesley – Mollie June Miller & Megan Lewter. Dresden UMC. Exceptional Worship.

**Prayers for Friends and Relatives:** Robert Lovell's mother, Joyce Lovell. Mary Beard's grandson, Andrew Beard. Michael Johnson's father, Jerry. Joe Stroud & Naomi & David. Karen Hester. Phil Wade's father, Jesse. Family of Anne Spencer. Dee Cannon's friend, Amy Garner. Jeff Stockton's dad, Sam Stockton. Jen Galey's mother, Janet Flynn. Chris Bowman's father. Kim Turner's mother, Wilda Simmons. Dave Politte's brother, Alan. Janice Noble's sister, Peggy. Roger Johnson's mother. Crawford & Nancy Gallimore. Renee LaFleur and Ricky Garlitz. Kristy Shumake's mother, Brenda Dublin.

**Van Ayer:** Bob Smith, Patsy Coates, Don Clements, Dale Overton

**Arbors:** Linda Hall.

**Weakley County Nursing:** Alan Moody, Jean Vincent, Peggy King.

**Greenbrier Residential:** Sarah Byars, Bev Eaton.

**At Home:** Mary Vowell, Janiece Peeler, Marilucile Counce, Jane & Jim Rea, Sue Wright.

**Martin First United Methodist Church  
Worship, Nurture and Serve in Love  
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 8, 2024**



**ENTRANCE**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Bryant Fisher**

**PRELUDE TJ Franklin**

**STEWARDSHIP WITNESS Remember Kathy Smith**

**CALL TO WORSHIP Goodness of God**

**OPENING PRAYER Tommy Legins**

**OPENING HYMN And Are We Yet Alive 553**

**PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Tommy Legins**

**OLD TESTAMENT Exodus 16:1-8**

**ACT OF PRAISE In This Very Room Choir**

**CHILDREN SERMON Pastor Amanda Crice**

**GOSPEL Luke 22:1-23**

**SERMON Pastor Amanda**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Pastor Amanda**

**OFFERING**

**Offering Steward: Greg Moore**

## SENDING FORTH

### HYMN

*Open the Eyes of My Heart*

### BENEDICTION

#### **Thank You**

Dear Church Family,

There are absolutely not enough words to express the gratitude for all that was done for us during the past few months. The meals, calls, text and prayers carried us through. We are so grateful for the loving care that was given to us from our church family.

Love, *Chris and Kathy Smith*

## HAPPENINGS

**Stewardship September** begins with a giving survey. Please take the time to fill it out this month. A link can be found in our church emails and hard copies are available as needed. We value your opinion!

**TODAY at 2 pm** join us for **Exceptional Worship** in the chapel. Everyone is welcome.

**TODAY Hands for Him's** weekly rehearsal begins at 4:00 in the choir room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor.

**ROOTS begins tomorrow!**

**Disciple 1, 2 & 3 begin this week!** Disciple 1 led by Jim Byford meets weekly at 5:30 on Wednesdays. Disciple 2 under the instruction of Jenise & Chris Butler meets Tuesdays at 5:30. Mike Hinds will guide students in Disciple 3 at 5:30 Wednesday.

Come worship with **Wesley of UTM** students, every Wednesday night at 6:00 pm during the school year. (312 Lovelace St.). Free student dinner at 5:15.



## CHRIST-CENTERED PEOPLE WHO WORSHIP GOD, NURTURE DISCIPLES, AND SERVE OUR NEIGHBORS WITH LOVE

**Adult Ministry Program (AMP)** travels to Rosemary Coleman's farm for lunch and a tour on Monday, Sept. 16 at 12:15. Please R.S.V.P. Call if a ride is needed.

**TLC! Today's Loving Caregivers** are needed to care for God's precious little ones in the nursery on Sunday mornings. Contact Jennifer Vincent / Lindy Johnson.

**Choir** rehearsals are every Wednesday at 7 pm in the choir room. All are welcome. Choir sings in worship September – May. Talk to Chrissy Hamilton.

**WANTED:** "Happy Meal" toys or small toys for Halloween Carnival prizes. Please drop in basket outside office. The carnival is Oct. 31 at 5:30

*You are invited to* the annual meeting of **the TWK Conference United Women in Faith** on Saturday, September 28 at FUMC of McKenzie. Alana McLaughlin, tv host and producer of "Perspectives with Alana McLaughlin," will speak. A registration fee of \$15 (includes lunch) is due by September 15.

**Agape House's Walk for Life** is Saturday, September 14 at the Martin Recreation Complex. Registration begins at 8:30 and the walk at 9:00.

### Memorials & Honorariums

**Honoring and remembering those we love...**

**Budget in memory of** Bob & Betty Cheeseman, JoNell Powell

**Music in memory of** Sabrina Snider, Terry King, Keiko Stroud

**Music Fund in honor of** Steve & Bea Mohler

**Youth in memory of** Harry Henderson

### Calendar

#### **Sunday, September 8**

- 11:30 Serve Committee/Parlor
- 2:00 Exceptional Worship/Chapel
- 4:00 Hands for Him
- 5:00 Youth

#### **Monday, September 9**

- 12:00 Worship Committee/Pastor's Study
- 3:00 ROOTS Begins
- 7:00 Nurture Committee/Pastor's Study

#### **Tuesday, September 10**

- 9:30 Laura Wells Circle/Parlor  
Ann McKenzie Circle/Fellowship Hall
- 5:30 Disciple 2 with Chris & Jenise Butler
- 7:00 Choir

#### **Wednesday, September 11**

- 9:30 Bazaar Workshop  
Wee-Ones Wednesday
- 5:15 Wesley UTM free dinner
- 5:30 Disciple 1 w/Jim Byford & 3 Mike Hinds
- 6:00 Worship at Wesley UTM on Lovelace
- 7:00 Choir

#### **Save the date!**

**The Friends of the Weakley County Training School** presentation Thursday Sept. 19 from 6:00  
**Parking Lot Party** Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 5:00

### United Women of Faith's Prayer Calendar

#### **Mission Focus—US**

Spartanburg, South Carolina—Spartanburg  
Methodist College

#### **Mission Focus—International**

Ukraine and Moldova—Nordic and Baltic in Mission  
Together