

**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. Stephanie Mueller. Chris 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, great grandson Jase Cooper & daughter-in-law Patrea 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.

**Away:** Bertha Lou Smith, Betty Henderson.

**Martin First United Methodist Church  
Worship, Nurture and Serve in Love  
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost  
September 15, 2024**



**ENTRANCE**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Pastor Bryant  
Fisher**

**PRELUDE**

**TJ Franklin**

**STEWARDSHIP WITNESS** *Release* **Bethany Wolters**

**CALL TO WORSHIP** *The Goodness of God*

**OPENING PRAYER**

**Pastor Bryant**

**OPENING HYMN** *Come Ye sinners Poor & Needy* **340**

**PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE**

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

**Pastor Bryant**

**OLD TESTAMENT**

**Deuteronomy 15:1-11**

**ACT OF PRAISE** *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus  
Just as I Am*

**Choir**

**CHILDREN SERMON**

**Pastor Amanda Crice**

**GOSPEL**

**Matthew 19:16-22**

**SERMON**

**Pastor Amanda**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Pastor Amanda**

**OFFERING**

Offering Steward: *Adam Wilson*

## THANKSGIVING & COMMUNION

### COMMUNION

### LORD'S PRAYER

### SENDING FORTH

**HYMN** *All to Jesus I Surrender* **354**

### BENEDICTION

#### **Thank You**

Dear Church Family,  
Thank you so very much for all your help with the Wesley Workday and beyond! Words cannot express how truly grateful we are for all your work. The center looks wonderful and the students appreciate all your efforts. We could not have done it without you!

Thank you again! *Mollie June Miller, Wesley Dir.*

Thank you for hosting Keiko Stroud's celebration of life, for providing a meal and a place to gather, for pastoral care, and for your kind words. It is with a deep sense of thanksgiving that I remember each of you. Your hospitality as a church and as individuals is a wonderful witness to God's love.

God's peace, *Joe Stroud and family*

### HAPPENINGS

**It is Stewardship September!** Have you taken our anonymous finance survey? A link can be found in our church emails and hard copies are available as needed. We value your input!

## Christ-centered people who worship God, nurture disciples, and serve our neighbors with love

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

**TODAY is the deadline** to register for the annual meeting of **the TWK Conference United Women in Faith** on Saturday, September 28 at FUMC of McKenzie. A registration fee of \$15 includes lunch.

**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.

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.



#### **Disciple 1, 2 & 3 are in session!**

Disciple 1	Wed. 5:30	Jim Byford	Rm. 201
Disciple 2	Tues. 5:30	Jenise & Chris Butler	Rm. 209
Disciple 3	Wed. 5:30	Mike Hinds	Rm. 212

**Choir** rehearsals are every Wednesday at 7 pm in the choir room. All are welcome. Choir sings in worship Sept. – May. For more info, see Chrissy Hamilton.

**The Vineyard** Discussion group resumes at 6:00 pm Thursdays beginning September 19 at Beau Monde Vineyard (1300 Pleasant Hill Rd., Martin).

**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.

**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.

### Calendar

#### **Sunday, September 15**

3:30 Lay Leadership Meeting  
4:00 Hands for Him  
5:00 Youth  
Church Council/Fellowship Hall

#### **Monday, September 16**

12:15 AMP (Adult Ministry Program) trip  
3:00 ROOTS

#### **Tuesday, September 17**

5:30 Disciple 2 with Chris & Jenise Butler

#### **Wednesday, September 18**

6:45 United Methodist Men/FHall  
9:30 Bazaar Workshop  
Wee-Ones Wednesday  
5:15 Wesley UTM free student dinner  
5:30 Disciple 1 w/Jim Byford & 3 w/Mike Hinds  
6:00 Worship at Wesley UTM on Lovelace  
7:00 Choir

#### **Thursday, September 19**

6:00 The Vineyard group/Beau Monde

### United Women of Faith's Prayer Calendar

#### **Mission Focus—USA**

Seattle, Washington—Atlantic Street Center for Youth & Families

#### **Mission Focus—International**

Honduras—Juan Wesley School Sponsoring At-Risk Youth

Our 15<sup>th</sup> annual **Christmas Luncheon, Bake Sale & Bazaar** is Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup>. Luncheon tickets are available in the office for \$15/ticket. Join the craft ladies every Wednesday at 9:30 am. in the craft room or take a project home.