



The Monthly Message

A New Vision for the United Methodist Church

Shaped by a profound Wesleyan heritage, the people of The United Methodist Church are stepping in faith into a new season of ministry. Since 2021, the Council of Bishops and the Connectional Table have journeyed together in prayerful collaboration, seeking God's wisdom and discerning a hope-filled vision for this unfolding era in The United Methodist Church.

The Vision

The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, **love boldly**, **serve joyfully**, and **lead courageously** in local communities and worldwide connections.

- **Love Boldly:** We passionately love God and, like Jesus, embrace and include people of every age, nation, race, gender, and walk of life. (Matthew 22:37-39/John 13:34-35)
- **Serve Joyfully:** With the heart of Christ, we journey alongside the most vulnerable among us, offering care and compassion with joy. (Psalm 100:1/Nehemiah 8:10/John 13:14-15/1 Peter 4:10)
- **Lead Courageously:** Following Jesus' example, we seek to resist and dismantle all systems of evil, injustice, and oppression, striving for peace, justice, and reconciliation. (Joshua 1:9/Ephesians 6:10)

In this new season, God is calling United Methodist to embody this vision as we:

- ◇ Grow and form disciples
- ◇ Develop Christ-like leaders
- ◇ Stand in solidarity with the poor and the most vulnerable
- ◇ Seek health and wholeness for all people and creation

A collaborative effort of the Connectional Table and the Council of Bishops, this new vision statement is the result of multi-year process of discernment to capture these kernels of truth rooted in scripture and lead the United Methodist Church forward into a hope-filled future.

Learn more about this vision at ResourceUMC.org/Vision.

The mission of Bartlett United Methodist Church is to know Christ and to make Christ known to all people, through worship, education, and service in our community and throughout the world.

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**Saturday, June 14
8:00am in Fellowship Hall**

All men are invited to the Men's Prayer Breakfast for a light breakfast, fellowship, and speaker Bobby Singleton, brother of the medal of honor recipient, Walter Singleton. Breakfast is \$5 and first timers eat for free! Call the church office at 386-4563 to reserve your spot. Call David Dunn at 212-4649 for more information.



**Tuesday, June 17 at
10:00 in the LEC Gym**

Join the Fun Club (ages 50+) for their meeting followed by lunch. Lunch is \$10 and requires a reservation. *Call Charlotte White at 381-4954 or 568-3002 to make your reservation.*

Bartlett United Methodist Preschool/Kid's Day Out (preschool@bartlettumc.org)

Bartlett United Methodist Preschool and Kid's Day Out welcome Stacey Graves as their new director. Here is a little information about Stacey:

I grew up in Memphis and attended the University of Memphis where I earned a BA in Early Childhood Education and later a MA in Instruction Curriculum Leadership with a concentration in Early Childhood. I am fascinated by the growth and development of young children and have a special interest in Constructivism as well as Children's Art and the positive effect it has on all developmental areas of early learning. I am very excited for this next chapter in serving as the Director for the Preschool and KDO at Bartlett United Methodist. When I am not working I love to paint, be outdoors, exercise and stay involved with ministry opportunities at my home church.



Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School Knights of North Castle!
July 14-17th 5:30pm-8:00pm

VBS invites children 3 years (potty-trained) – 5th Grade (24-25 school year) to be strong in the Lord and in the strength of God's power by exploring how we put on the armor of God. Kids will take on the role of brave Knights & begin their quest each session by opening the King's Book.

We need a village to help for the Kingdom! Keep an eye out for sign up for volunteer opportunities!

Youth Ministry (Lynn Thompson/lthompson@bartlettumc.org)

Hey Gang!

Recently our Youth Bible Study has been enjoying the book LOVE DOES by Bob Goff. I have heard him speak at several Youth Convention events and the guy is sooo fun, and inspirational in his direct message. He is kind of a quirky guy that can be profound in understanding some of the most simple mysteries of our faith. The whole concept to the book is that we become more relatable with our faith – that we DO instead of using words unless necessary. That as Christians we are called by God to “go out” not stand still and wait for our faith to take its own journey because someone else is doing the leading. Think about it – what are you inspired by...WHO are you inspired by... and why? The most important question is what have they inspired YOU to DO so that you can inspire others. I think sometimes I ride in that boat – being involved with what the church has for me...doing service opportunities someone else has set up that sometimes peaks my interest – agreeing with what the ministers preach to us...yet – what am I doing on my own to further the Kingdom of God. Here is the deal – it basically goes back to the very beginning. Jesus picked His twelve to follow Him...He shared with them, taught them, INSPIRED THEM and then left them to “go and do likewise!” Christ had no back up plan. Isn’t that crazy...He didn’t say that if they didn’t tell others about God’s love for them then He would do something else. Nope! He plopped the whole journey of Christianity in their hands! And because He did and because they were inspired and they inspired others and they inspired others ... – we are gathered in church, Sunday school, youth group, Bible Study because of them! Now my question is – are you doing your part to inspire others...are you doing things and doing Love like Christ taught to continue this journey. You can’t use the crutch of “well, the church didn’t ask me for my help...I wish they would...” because let me tell you there are PLENTY of things the church needs help with. My mom would call shut ins when she couldn’t drive. My mom always says that if there is something that “we ought to do” – DO IT YOURSELF! Be the one to instigate and be the example you think the world needs! We have so many things that we as a church could do if YOU would just STEP UP. Yep! That means no more “well...I’d would love to help but no one has asked!” AAAGH! Let it be clear - I AM ASKING YOU! Jesus didn’t give handwritten invitations for folks to be in ministry - they just brought their gifts and talents to Him and said “I am here!” So – start something new or help with something you know needs helping, big or small -there will be others that will be glad you did so that they too can inspire others. This is our time to be creative, be inspired, find someone to help you – Call the church office, call ME - just call on us to get you on your journey anytime! Let’s not wait to see what someone else is going to do – it’s time now and it’s not a huge undertaking – it’s simply wanting to do your part so that God’s love continues. Our God has given us sooo much – unconditionally. Don’t you think we should get on our way in doing the same!!!! Hope you have a blessed day!

In Christ,

Lynn Thompson

DO ALL THE GOOD YOU CAN.
BY ALL THE MEANS YOU CAN.
IN ALL THE WAYS YOU CAN.
IN ALL THE PLACES YOU CAN.
AT ALL THE TIMES YOU CAN.
TO ALL THE PEOPLE YOU CAN.
AS LONG AS EVER YOU CAN.

John Wesley

Our 2025 ASP Mission

Group would like to give a HUGE THANK YOU to the WEALTH of amazing volunteers for our annual ASP Rummage Sale! We could not possibly have done it without you! We had so many volunteers (many that didn’t get their picture taken)! This years sale was a SPECTACULAR SUCCESS and we want to thank “our village of volunteers” as well as all who donated and shopped to enable us to make homes warmer, safer and drier for our brothers and sisters in Christ in the Appalachia mountains!



Van Driver Needed!

Our Northlake Van Ministry is in desperate need of a volunteer driver. Our Northlake Van Ministry is on Monday mornings, 8:45-10:30.

Drivers always have a volunteer helper and are scheduled, most of the time, once a month to drive. Drivers must be under the age of 70. This is a very helpful ministry to the Northlake residents taking them to the Kroger and Walmart by Methodist North. It is a very easy short drive to Northlake and then to Kroger and Walmart. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Marcia Kerl, 901-482-9738.



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Music Ministry ([Donia Rachelle Wade/dwade@bartlettumc.org/](mailto:dwade@bartlettumc.org) [Karen Strawhecker/karens@bartlettumc.org](mailto:karens@bartlettumc.org))

"Spring Fling" was a wonderful celebration of our entire music ministry!!! We thank all our volunteers for sharing their time, gifts, and hearts with us. Their dedication, talent, and passion elevate our worship and fill our church with beautiful music. We are so grateful for every note, every song, and every moment you give to glorify God through music.

We are excited to announce that all our outstanding volunteer leaders will be returning next year to help with our musical ensembles! Hooray!!!

Save-the-Date:

MUSIC CAMP!

July 21-25 9:00a.m.-1:00p.m.

\$40 per child

Get ready for an unforgettable week at **Music Camp!** This year, your children will have the amazing opportunity to learn and perform a captivating musical about the timeless story of **David and Goliath**.

Throughout the week, campers will dive into the world of music and drama, discovering their singing voices and developing acting skills. They'll also explore the powerful message of faith and courage from the story of David and Goliath in an engaging and creative way. It's a fantastic chance for them to build confidence, make new friends, and share their talents!

Campers should bring their own lunch Monday through Thursday. We'll provide delicious snacks every day, and to celebrate a wonderful week, we'll treat everyone to a **pizza lunch on Friday!**

The grand finale will be the **musical performance in worship on Sunday, July 27th, at 9:00 a.m.** We can't wait to see your children shine!

Finances ([Rachel Hasty/rhasty@bartlettumc.org](mailto:rhasty@bartlettumc.org))

Thank you so much to those who contributed to our Easter offering even though we really didn't advertise it much this year. With a little extra help from our Outreach Designated funds we were able to sponsor a Project Transformation intern for the summer, something that we've been a part of for the past several years!



Congratulations to the 2025 Confirmation class, Riley, Julian, Ellery, Vivian, Chase, and Elizabeth! May the Holy Spirit guide your hearts, strengthen your faith, and fill your lives with grace as you continue your journey with Christ. God bless you all!

Building Update ([Eddie Lindsey/elindsey@bartlettumc.org](mailto:EddieLindsey@bartlettumc.org))

With summer here and school is out, it's the time of year for floor waxing and repairs of grounds and building.

The parking lot repairs began May 27th so you will see cones and equipment around. The last couple of winters have been harsh on the asphalt. Most repairs will be in the main back parking lot.

If you visit during the week some hallways will be blocked off due to waxing during the summer months. Also, the gym will be closed a few days in July for waxing.

Have a Great Day,
Eddie Lindsey:
Maintenance Engineer



Recreation

Join us each week in the LEC Gym for fun and recreation!

Pickleball— Every Tuesday at 6:45pm (follow *Pickleball-BUMC* on Facebook)

Zumba—Every Thursday at 5:30pm (\$3 per class)

Volleyball— Every Thursday at 6:30pm

Stretch Class—Monday, Wednesday, Friday at 9:00am

Walking Group— Monday & Tuesday at 4:45pm



Bartlett UMC

There's an App for that! Our Bartlett UMC app is back up and running! Thank you Aaron Alexander for creating this while still a youth and keeping us up to date! Check it out and add it to your phone for easy access to church and youth newsletters, Facebook posts and link to our website! All at no cost!

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CHILDREN'S MUSIC CAMP

JULY 21-25
9:00AM-1:00PM
\$40/CHILD

GET READY FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE WEEK AT MUSIC CAMP! YOUR CHILDREN WILL HAVE THE AMAZING OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN AND PERFORM A CAPTIVATING MUSICAL ABOUT THE TIMELESS STORY OF DAVID AND GOLIATH. REGISTRATION COMING SOON!

Contact Donia Wade (dwade@bartlettumc.org) for more information.

