



MUNSEY UPDATE

JUNE 29, 2025

WELCOME TO MUNSEY!

We are so thankful to have you join us in worship today! Please take a moment to fill out the Connect card in your Update, or you may visit www.munsey.org/connect to fill out your card electronically.

WEEKLY GROUPS AND STUDIES

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

Our Women's Study Group will continue to meet from 9:30-11:00am throughout the summer, varying our Munsey room location, depending on our lesson needs (Parlor, Gathering Place, Christian Life Center Gym). All women are welcome, and please let Amanda Onks (amanda@munsey.org) know if you have questions or would like to join us!

WAYNE ANDERSON PRAYER GROUP

The Wayne Anderson Men's Prayer Group meets **Thursday mornings at 6:30am** in the Christian Life Center Meeting Room. We invite all men from all churches to join us for study, prayer, and fellowship. For more information, please email Bill Darden (billdarden7@aol.com).

NEW WORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

We're introducing a new worship service, beginning **July 13!** 9:00am worship will take place in the Sanctuary weekly, with communion served each Sunday. We look forward to worshipping with you!

With the addition of a new worship time, we'll also have new ways for you to serve. We'll especially need extra help caring for our children on the preschool hallway and in our Sunday hospitality areas. We encourage you to consider how you might "Serve one; sit one," which means serving in a needed area during one service time and worshipping during another. Please fill out the *Next Steps* form in your worship materials and place in the offering plate or visit www.munsey.org/volunteer to sign up.

With communion served each week, we're also looking for volunteers to help prepare the elements. It's a simple act of service that takes very little time but holds great significance in the life of our worship. If you're looking for a quiet, behind-the-scenes way to serve, this is a great opportunity! No special skills required—just a willing heart. If you are interested in serving in a rotation, please contact Cooper Reaves (423-218-5055 or cooper_reaves@yahoo.com). Many hands make light work!

JULY 6 COMBINED WORSHIP & RECEPTION

On **Sunday July 6**, we'll share in combined worship at 11:00am in the Sanctuary as we welcome our new Senior Pastor, Rev. Chris Brown. Following worship, the congregation will have an opportunity to meet Chris and his family in the Gathering Place for a welcome reception. Open Door worship and Sunday School will meet as usual. We hope you'll join us for this joyful day!

FIFTH SUNDAY OFFERING

Fifth Sundays like today are opportunities for special giving, over and above pledged offerings. Our June fifth Sunday offering will support Willow United Methodist Church as part of our ongoing commitment and connection to John Redmond and the Willow congregation. All loose cash will be part of this offering, as well as any checks or giving designated as "Fifth Sunday Offering." Thank you for giving!

LADIES' LUNCH

All ladies are welcome to join us **tomorrow at 12:00pm** at Ole's Guacamoles, and we look forward to lunch and fellowship together. Please let Amanda Onks know (amanda@munsey.org) if you plan to be there so we can save you a seat.

DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP

Are you caring for someone with Dementia? If so, we would like to care for you! This group is a wonderful opportunity to hear from others who share the same struggles and have the same questions. Our next meeting is **July 14, at 2:30pm** in the Parlor. For more information, please contact Emily Ham at parishnurse@munsey.org.

ROAD TRIP VBS THANK YOU

Our *Road Trip* VBS was a wonderful success, and we couldn't have done it without your help! We had a blast with over 65 kids as we spent the week learning about how God is always with us wherever we go. More than 45 volunteers helped make the week so much fun, serving as navigators with our age groups and station leaders for science, crafts, Bible stories, music, recreation, missions, and snacks. Munsey was fantastically transformed into *Road Trip* sights throughout our building, and we're grateful for all who chipped in behind the scenes. For all who donated snacks, time, energy, resources and so much else, we can't say thank you enough!

SENIOR BIRTHDAY PARTY

All of our Munsey friends who are age 70 or over are invited to join us as we celebrate! The party will be on **Tuesday, July 15, at 11:30am** in the Christian Life Center Gym. Lunch will be served, and please RSVP to Nora Jane Wexler at 423-444-9260 (call or text) or the church office at 423-461-8070, ext. 201 before July 8. We look forward to celebrating you!

CARING FOR OUR CONGREGATION

We are always willing and grateful to reach out in care to our congregation members. If you or one of your Munsey friends is in the hospital, having surgery, dealing with illness, or could use some extra care, please let our Parish Nurse Emily Ham know (parishnurse@munsey.org or 423-282-8970). Thank you for helping us stay informed so we can care for each other!

FLOOD TASK FORCE UPDATE

As Munsey begins assisting families through *Rebuild Embreeville Next Phase*, we will be partnering with the original six families whose homes we helped rebuild. Each family will have a Munsey member to serve as a “shepherd,” identifying continuing needs and ways Munsey can help them settle into their new home. The Task Force is grateful to Rubye Beck, Carlene Christian, Jamie Johnson, Cheryl Maner, Sharon Pickering, and Trish Patterson for volunteering their time to serve as shepherds to our Embreeville neighbors. To volunteer your time and skills, please sign up on the church website at www.munsey.org/flood-relief. All ages and abilities are welcome!

UPCOMING HEALTH AND WELLNESS FAIR

Munsey will be hosting a Health and Wellness Resource Fair on **Saturday, July 19, from 9:00 am-12:00pm**. Services will include an onsite medical clinic provided by Providence Medical Clinic of Kingsport, plus housing, utility, and job assistance by our partner organizations. Lunch will be provided courtesy of the Tri-Cities Church of God ministry “Feeding In Action.” For more information, please contact missions@munsey.org or anthony.jackson@munsey.org.

THE MELTING POT

Thanks to Ed Temple, the Melting Pot now has an Instagram account. If you are on social media, please follow us on Instagram at @munseymeltingpot and on Facebook at meltingpotjc. You can find stats for the weekly Shepherd’s Breakfast, photos and posts for our midday missions, and volunteer opportunities.

NEW: WEEKDAY VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP WITH LOCAL MISSIONS

Starting in July, volunteer opportunities will be available during the last week of each month to help with local missions. For July, we will be packing school supplies for North Side Elementary. We’ll gather from 5:00-7:00pm on **Monday, July 28, Wednesday, July 30, and Friday, August 1**. For questions, please contact Anthony Jackson at anthony.jackson@munsey.org. To sign up to volunteer, please use the following link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E49A8AA2EA3F5CF8-57352641-weekday>.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS TO THE MELTING POT FOOD PANTRY!

You are making a difference in the lives of your downtown neighbors! Please continue to bring items to the Missions Center near the Connection Point. ONLY the following items are needed: canned soups, canned chicken, canned tuna, canned beef stew, canned fruit, canned vegetables, pasta, pasta sauce, rice, instant potatoes and hand can-openers. Please note we cannot accept fresh or refrigerated food. For anyone who doesn’t like to shop, we will gladly accept monetary donations and do the shopping for you. For more information or to inquire on how to assist us, please get in touch with Karen Peko, Melting Pot Team, at kpeko@hotmail.com.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

CHILDREN

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Munsey offers a variety of Sunday School classes for all ages from **10:00 to 10:45am**. 1st - 6th graders meet on the Elementary Children’s Hallway. The 1st - 4th graders meet in Room 209. 5th and 6th graders meet in Room 210. Babies and toddlers meet in the Green Room, and three-year-olds - kindergartners meet in the Blue Room. Both the Green Room and Blue Room are located on the Preschool Hallway. At the conclusion of Sunday School, parents can choose to bring their children to worship or keep them in the nursery for playtime.

For more information about our Children’s and Youth Ministries, please see our Family Ministries Newsletter, found in brochure racks outside our worship spaces, at the Connection Point, and at www.munsey.org.

CAMP BAYS MOUNTAIN

A couple of our Munsey kiddos got to experience Camp Bays Mountain with our new Senior Pastor, Chris Brown, who served as the Minister in Residence last week!



YOUTH

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School meets weekly on the Youth floor at 10:00am, with fellowship and snacks at 9:45am.

WE HAVE THREE NEST ROOMS AVAILABLE TO FAMILIES WITH BABIES & TODDLERS ON SUNDAYS. PLEASE ASK AN USHER IF YOU NEED DIRECTIONS TO ONE OF THEM.

- *CHRISTIAN LIFE CENTER LOBBY
- *PARLOR
- *LIBRARY

WE’RE SO GRATEFUL TO HAVE YOUR FAMILY JOIN US IN WORSHIP TODAY!

Sundays @ Munsey
We are glad you’re here! We have coffee in the Gathering Place & hope you’ll stop by to grab a cup & get to know others.



CHURCH OFFERING WEEK OF JUNE 15, 2025

June 15 gifts: \$11,480
Weekly need: \$29,558
Difference: **-\$18,078**



MAY YEAR TO DATE **-\$145,373**

For online giving, scan the QR code or go to munsey.org/give.

NORTH SIDE PARTNERSHIP
JUNE 2025

In June we will be collecting 2 gallon size Ziploc bags for our friends at North Side. You can drop off donations at the Connection Point window!

