

MUNSEY UPDATE

MAY 19, 2024

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 or our Munsey app to fill out your card electronically.

NEW SUMMER SERMON SERIES - COMING IN JUNE



WEEKLY GROUPS AND STUDIES

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

Our Women's Study Group, led by Amanda Onks, meets on **Monday mornings from 9:30-11:00am** in the Gathering Place. All women are welcome, and please let Amanda Onks (amanda@munsey.org) know if you have questions or need childcare.

MUNSEY MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

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

LADIES LUNCH

All ladies are welcome to join us **tomorrow, May 20, at 12:00pm** at Holy Taco North, 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.

GENERAL CONFERENCE

We hope you'll mark your calendar for our Munsey Post-General Conference Briefing session **this Wednesday, May 22, at 6:00pm** in the Christian Life Center Gym.

ORGAN CONCERT

There will be a special organ concert **today at 3:30pm** in the Munsey Sanctuary. Kyle Ritter, the guest organist, is the Canon for Music at The Cathedral of All Souls in Asheville, NC, where he oversees a comprehensive choral program involving children and adults.

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES AND NEWS

OPEN DOOR WORSHIP HELP NEEDED

We need Sunday School classes to help cook food or bring it pre-cooked. To help in other ways, please see the QR code. Worship is also a great time to interact and love on our downtown community. For more information, please contact John Redmond at john.redmond@munsey.org.



BACKPACKS FOR LIBERIA

This year's Hand-On Mission project for the Three Rivers District is Backpacks for Liberia. The school kits will equip some of the 16,000 students who attend United Methodist Schools in Liberia and Guinea. To help, please come by the Connection Point for a list of supplies or visit <https://munsey.org/backpacks>. The cost is between \$30-\$40, depending on where you purchase the items. If you don't have time to shop and would rather make a donation, we will gladly accept those too, and you can note "backpacks" in the memo if giving online or by check. Backpacks and donations are needed by **Sunday, May 26**.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

The Blessing of the Animals, which was postponed last October, will be held **June 2 at 3:00pm** under the portico at the Christian Life Center (CLC) entrance. All animals are welcome in a carrier or on a leash. This is a rain or shine event, and you are invited to bring a donation of dog or cat food or cat litter for the Appalachian Highlands Humane Society.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE CHURCH

Join us in the columbarium (outside the sanctuary) **today** for cake as we celebrate the birthday of the church. You can also learn more about our columbarium at the same time.

VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING

We have 2 training options for this year's VBS volunteers and ask that all volunteers attend 1 training or schedule a time to meet with Katie Jackson before June 16. We'll offer a Zoom meeting on **June 5 from 7:00-8:00pm** and will also have an in-person training on **June 9 from 12:15-1:30pm**, where lunch will be provided. Please email Katie Jackson – katie@munsey.org to RSVP with which meeting you plan to attend.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS is quickly approaching and we need YOUR help! Here are ways you can serve:

- Help decorate the Children's Hallways on June 8 or June 15 from 10:00am-2:00pm. (NO ARTISTIC TALENT NEEDED)
- Set up tents and the CLC stage on June 16 from 12:30-1:30pm.
- 4 volunteers to be "floaters," people willing to help 1-2 days during VBS if needed
- 1 volunteer to lead Preschool Music (curriculum and music provided)
- 1 volunteer to assist in the Baby Room during VBS

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!

Our Children's Ministry is growing and thriving!!! This means we need more volunteers to serve our precious kids! Sunday morning volunteer roles needed are:

- Preschool and elementary Sunday School teachers – people willing to teach Sunday School lessons from 9:45-10:50am (all curriculum and supplies provided)
- Nursery volunteers – We need a minimum of 6 volunteers to staff our nursery each Sunday! We especially need volunteers to serve during the 8:45 and 11:00 services.
- Check-in volunteers – people willing to greet and check in children in the preschool and elementary hallways from 9:45-10:10am

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

CHILDREN

Katie Jackson (katie@munsey.org), Director of Children's Ministries

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Munsey's VBS will be **June 17-20 from 9:00am-12:30pm**.

This year's theme is

"Camp Firelight: A Summer Adventure With God." We will have classes for all potty-trained children aged 4 (as of August 15, 2024) to rising 5th grade. (Babies – 3-year-olds of volunteers



will also have their own classes.) This year, we will have a staggered registration until all the spots are filled. The registration schedule is:

- May 13 – Registration opens for Munsey members and children who regularly attend Munsey programming.
- May 20 – Registration opens for children and siblings of the weekday Munsey Preschool and Kindergarten.
- May 27 – Registration opens for all children within our community.

Our registration link can be found at <https://munsey.org/VBS>.

YOUTH

Amy Brown (amy.brown@munsey.org), Director of Youth Ministries

GRADUATING SENIOR SUNDAY & BANQUET

Today, we will celebrate our seniors in high school during worship. This evening at 5:00pm, the seniors will be honored with a banquet in the Gathering Place.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our summer Sunday School session will focus on different Christian denominations. Join us Sunday mornings on the Youth Floor from 10:00-10:45am.

HIKING ACTIVITY

All youth are encouraged to join us for an afternoon of hiking on **June 2**. We'll meet at the church at **3:30pm** and head to Warriors Path State Park for a hike and picnic. Students will have the option to also participate in water activities (canoeing, paddle boarding, kayaking, or paddle boating) for a cost between \$8-\$12. We will return to church by 7:00pm. Let Amy know if you want to come by May 31.

Please see our Family Ministries Newsletter for more Children and Youth information. It's available in our brochure racks, our website and on the Munsey app.

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!

HEARTS STRANGELY WARMED
WHAT IT MEANS TO BE UNITED METHODIST IN THE BIBLE BELT!



OUR CURRENT SERMON SERIES

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 MAY 12, 2024

May 12 gifts: \$34,095
Weekly need: \$29,970
Difference: \$4,125
April YTD: \$27,610



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

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12 MONTHS OF GIVING WITH NORTH SIDE

We are collecting Related Art Supplies in May. A list of supplies can be found at the Connection Point.