



# MUNSEY

## UPDATE FOR JANUARY 25, 2026

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### WEEKLY GROUPS AND STUDIES

#### WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

Our Women's Study Group meets on Monday mornings from 9:30-11:00am in the Parlor. We'll be studying *Keep the Faith: How to Stand Strong in a World Turned Upside Down* by David Jeremiah. All women are welcome, and please let Amanda Onks ([amanda@munsey.org](mailto: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](mailto:billdarden7@aol.com)).

#### WEDNESDAY MORNING MEN'S STUDY

Our men's prayer group meets each Wednesday morning at 8:00am in the Conference Room. They take turns leading a devotion with the group and share life and prayer request together. For more information please contact Boyce Berry at [boyceberry40@gmail.com](mailto:boyceberry40@gmail.com)

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMS

We have age-level programs for children and youth and adult studies from 6:00-7:00pm each Wednesday! We also have a 1:00pm option for the Pastor's Bible Study. More information is available in our January Messenger and Family Ministries Newsletter. We would love to see you on Wednesdays!

#### MUNSEY NEXT

If you're new to Munsey or want to learn more about being part of our church, we would love to have you join us for *Munsey Next!* The course is a five-week sampler to learn about the history, polity, theology, and serving opportunities at Munsey. *Munsey Next* will be offered for five Sundays in the Chapel from 10:00-10:45am, beginning **today, January 25**. Please reach out to Pastor Chris ([chris.brown@munsey.org](mailto:chris.brown@munsey.org)) if you have any questions.

#### MEAL MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

We celebrate that we've given out 80 meals since last March through our Care Ministry, and we've gotten a great start to restocking our freezer! We want to add soup as a new option - any kind is fine, but please label with type and date and freeze flat in Ziploc bags. We will also continue offering chicken and rice, pasta, breads, and desserts. Contact Emily Ham, RN at [Parishnurse@munsey.org](mailto:Parishnurse@munsey.org) for recipes. Thank you for supporting this ministry with homemade love!

### CHILDREN AND YOUTH

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##### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Munsey offers a variety of Sunday School classes for all ages from 10:00 to 10:45am, with drop-off available at 9:50am.

Kindergartners - 5<sup>th</sup> graders meet on the Elementary Children's Hallway in Room 209. Babies and toddlers meet in the Green Room, and children three years old through Pre-K meet in the Blue Room, both on the Preschool Hallway.

##### SPARK KIDS

After the children's message in 11:00 worship, kids younger than kindergarten can be taken to the preschool hallway or stay in worship. Kindergarteners through 5<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to dismiss with a small group leader to the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor for games, crafts, prayer, and more or remain in worship with their families.

##### WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

We would love to see our Munsey kids on Wednesday nights! Programs are from 6:00-7:00pm, with drop-off for kids available at 5:50pm so all can be in their groups to start at 6:00.

##### NEW MUSIC MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

We're thrilled to announce a new Music and Worship Arts opportunity for our K-5<sup>th</sup> grade students! In addition to current Sunday morning and Wednesday evening programs, we will begin a Sunday 4:00-6:00pm offering on February 8 twice a month through the spring. Each evening, our students will get to experience a rotating offering of cool and exciting activities, working with Matt Brickey, Brett Smith, Justin Boazman, and

Charity Damrau, as well as several congregational volunteers! Contact James Culp at [james.culp@gmail.com](mailto:james.culp@gmail.com) for more information.

#### YOUTH

##### WEEKLY OPPORTUNITIES

- Sunday School:** Sundays on the Youth Floor from 10:00-10:45am, with fellowship and snacks from 9:45-10:00am
- Life Groups:** Wednesday nights on the Youth Floor from 6:00-7:00pm
- Prayer Breakfast:** Thursday mornings from 6:30-7:00am at the W. Market St. Chick-fil-A for high schoolers

##### ASP SUMMER MISSION TRIP

Munsey Youth is officially signed up for our June ASP Mission Trip! If you or your youth would like to go, please let Mindy know ([mindy.moore@munsey.org](mailto:mindy.moore@munsey.org)). **A nonrefundable deposit of \$50 is needed to hold you spot.** You can pay by check, cash or online. If you are paying with a check or online, please write **ASP Youth Trip** in the memo line. If your family needs financial assistance, please don't hesitate to reach out to me directly—our goal is to make sure every youth who wants to attend is able.

For more information, please see our Family Ministries Newsletter, found in the brochure racks outside our worship spaces, at the Connection Point, and at [www.munsey.org](http://www.munsey.org).

The love and sympathy of the church are extended to Randall Head upon the death of his wife, Pat Head, on January 15.

The love and sympathy of the church are extended to the family of Lewis P. Wexler Sr., Munsey's longest-standing member, upon his death on January 16. His loving Munsey family includes his wife, Lynda Wexler; son, Lewis Wexler Jr. and wife, Nora Jane; son, Harrison Wexler, and wife, Felicia; daughter, Susan Wexler Ellis; grandchildren, Savannah Wexler Kirk and husband, Ben; Lewis Wexler III (Luke); Hayes, Rutledge, and Bowen Wexler; Lillian and Samuel Ellis.

## ETSU WESLEY FOUNDATION MEALS

The spring semester at ETSU has started back. Once again, Munsey will have the opportunity to provide three Tuesday evening meals for the students at the Wesley Foundation. This is a wonderful ministry and is greatly appreciated by the staff and students. If anyone or group would like to furnish a meal or make a donation, please contact Pat Barnett for more information at [gpatsy2@gmail.com](mailto:gpatsy2@gmail.com) or 423-737-8011.

## ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS AND COLLEGE STUDENTS

The application for Munsey scholarships is at [www.munsey.org/youth](http://www.munsey.org/youth); upload your transcript and submit online. **You must be a Munsey member to apply.** The deadline for online submission is **January 31**. Contact Gayle Hughes, Chair of the Scholarship Committee ([jimgayletn@gmail.com](mailto:jimgayletn@gmail.com)) if you have questions.

## VOLUNTEERING

Our theme for 2026 is "All In," and a great way to truly show your commitment is by volunteering your time to support your church. This year, we're excited to offer many opportunities for you to get involved. Whether you're helping serve our downtown community, working in children's and youth ministries, or volunteering in our Connection Point, we're looking forward to having you participate. Together, we can make Munsey a warm and inviting place where everyone feels comfortable to come and worship! For more information, please contact Justin Boazman at [justin.boazman@munsey.org](mailto:justin.boazman@munsey.org) for worship opportunities or Amanda Onks at [amanda@munsey.org](mailto:amanda@munsey.org) for program ministries.

## MUNSEY MEMORIAL MUSIC MINISTRY – ORGAN RECITAL SERIES

Join us on **Sunday, February 15, at 4:00pm** in our Sanctuary for an exceptional afternoon of organ music featuring world renowned organist Dr. Stephen Hamilton. Look for our flyer that will be coming in a couple of weeks. If you have any questions, you may contact Justin at [justin.boazman@munsey.org](mailto:justin.boazman@munsey.org).

## INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the event of inclement weather, we follow Johnson City Schools' schedule for church programs. If schools dismiss early or close on a weekday, we won't have evening activities at Munsey that day. The church office will be open on weekdays, as staff are able to safely travel to the church. Sunday morning schedules will be adapted and shared online as needed for weekend snow.

## MISSION OPPORTUNITIES AND NEWS

### OPPORTUNITY TO VOLUNTEER WITH HEALTH FAIR

Munsey will be sponsoring our first Health and Wellness Resource Fair of 2026 for our downtown community on **Saturday, February 28, from 8:30am to 12:00 noon**. Medical services will be available, along with resource tables, snacks, and giveaways. Haircuts will also be offered, and lunch will be provided. To help make this event a success, we need general volunteers. To volunteer, please go to <https://www.facebook.com/meltingpotjc>. For additional information, please contact Anthony Jackson at [anthony.jackson@munsey.org](mailto:anthony.jackson@munsey.org).

### FLOOD TASK FORCE UPDATE

When Munsey members organized the Hurricane Helene task force, the goal was to continue to respond to the needs well beyond the immediate needs of cleaning buckets and bottled water. As we wrap up our primary support of the six families who are part of the *Rebuild Embreeville* campaign, new opportunities are being explored. One such opportunity is to support the efforts of the Community Relief Aid Effort, a volunteer organization in Lancaster County (Pennsylvania) that provides disaster assistance throughout the US. A volunteer group is currently based in Limestone, TN and is providing work teams (who volunteer for a 2-week commitment) throughout the spring. Trish Patterson and Cheryl Maner went grocery shopping with two of the current volunteer group, Becky and Mary Ann, this past week. The Flood Task Force will continue to provide this service for the next 4 months and invites volunteers to help. On the last night of the group's stay, they reflect and share their thoughts on what they accomplished and their overall experience. Munsey has been invited to attend the session for this group on **Thursday, January 29, at 6:00pm**. Dinner will be served, so a headcount is requested. If you are interested in attending the share session and dinner, please let Cheryl know ([cherylfmaner@gmail.com](mailto:cherylfmaner@gmail.com)) by Tuesday, January 27. You can email Cheryl or Trish Patterson ([1956tlpatt@gmail.com](mailto:1956tlpatt@gmail.com)) if you want to help with grocery shopping.



### CHURCH OFFERING WEEK OF JANUARY 18, 2026

Gifts from 1-18-26: \$69,230  
Weekly Need: \$32,278  
Difference: \$36,952



### DECEMBER YEAR TO DATE \$43,849

For online giving, scan the QR code or go to [munsey.org/give](http://munsey.org/give).

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.

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