

The Good News

First Methodist Church, Senatobia, Mississippi

June 2026

Dear Church Family,

Bro. Connor here! You may have noticed that the heat of summer is upon us! Though the heat and humidity of Mississippi can be oppressive, let's not forget to give thanks to God for all that He is doing in our midst. As we enter the summer months there is much to praise God for in the life of our church.

Summer Camps

We will have many children spending a week at Camp Lake Stephens this summer where they will have the opportunity to encounter God in his creation through song, devotions, and fellowship. Please pray blessings over them this summer.

July 2-5, the youth group will travel to Lake Junaluska, North Carolina, for our annual M28 trip. M28 is a wonderful camp/retreat experience in the mountains where our youth will spend a few days immersed in worship, prayer, and discipleship. On July 26th, the youth will lead us in Sunday morning worship and share testimonies about their M28 experience!

Vacation Bible School

June 22-26, we will be hosting VBS. Many groups in the church have already been in prayer for the children who will be attending this year. I have been impressed at how intentional this congregation is with every aspect of VBS. Continue to be in prayer for the children and volunteers as we move closer to this wonderful week.

Ministry Milestones

This past week Cristen Barnard was recognized as one of the first six people in our annual conference to complete the Certified Lay Ministry program. Congratulations Cristen, your church family is proud of you!

I would like to take a moment and thank you all for your support in my journey to ordained ministry. When my family and I came to SFMC two years ago, I had never had a single seminary class and in fact, carried a lot of anxiety about school. Two years later, I completed enough classes and met the requirements to be ordained Deacon in the GMC this past weekend! I cannot overstate how loved I feel by this congregation. You have lifted me and my family up in prayers, supported me through sickness, and encouraged me every step of the way. School has never been the easiest thing for me, but God could not have blessed me with a better place to support me while completing my studies and pursuing ordination. Thank you to all who sang in the choir at ordination, all who attended the ordination service, all who offered kind words and congratulations, and all who prayed for me along the way. I truly could not have done it without you! I am humbled and in awe at the power of God's grace. This time thirteen years ago, I saw God's hand in my life. God took a clueless college kid who spent most of his summer at Camp Lake Stephens as a counselor wanting to quit, and He transformed him into a man who would one day serve as a minister and proclaim the Gospel. I am utterly amazed at what God has done in and through my life in ministry and especially through the church.

May God bless you this summer!

In Christ,
Bro. Connor

Schedule of Activities

Tuesday, June 2

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible study (every Tuesday in June)

Wednesday, June 3

5:00 p.m. John 6 Ministry (every Wednesday in June)

Saturday, June 6

1:00 p.m. Birthday party in the new building

Sunday, June 7

7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast
 8:45 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
 9:45 a.m. Fellowship Time
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
 4:45 p.m. Sexton Connect Group
 6:00 p.m. Sunday Nights in the Prayer Room

Sunday, June 14

8:45 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
 9:45 a.m. Fellowship Time
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
 4:45 p.m. Sexton Connect Group
 6:00 p.m. Sunday Nights in the Prayer Room

Sunday, June 21

8:45 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
 9:45 a.m. Fellowship Time
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
 4:45 p.m. Sexton Connect Group
 6:00 p.m. Sunday Nights in the Prayer Room

Monday, June 22 through Friday, June 26

8:30 a.m. Vacation Bible School

Sunday, June 28

8:45 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
 9:45 a.m. Fellowship Time
 10:00 a.m. Sunday School
 11:00 a.m. Worship and Live Stream
 4:45 p.m. Sexton Connect Group
 6:00 p.m. Sunday Nights in the Prayer Room

Remember in Prayer

HEALING OF CANCER

Bernadean Taylor Morganti
 Lindsey Massey
 Renee King
 Granville Sherman
 Rodney Cain (uncle of Alysca Webb)
 Jeff Patterson
 Kent Davis (friend of Linda & Terry Kroush)
 Robert Donner
 Ladarius McCoy (Strayhorn High student)
 Bobby Bouchillon
 Robin Mackey Spahn
 Debra Young (cousin of Les Young)
 Erika Holland
 Howard Patterson
 Marcia Kidder
 Joyce Casillas

Renay West Rucker (friend of Heidi Terrell)
 Jonie Swanson
 Linda Hankins
 AnnaBeth Harrison (friend of Nicole O'Conner)
 Amy Wooten Freeman (cousin of TA Wooten)
 Jim Patterson
 Eva Wilkerson Lenzi (friend of Marcia Kidder)
 Sherri Surman Philbin (friend of Heidi Terrell)

FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Lindsey Todd
 Steven Dossett (son of Ken)
 Shirley Marble (friend of Signy Givens)
 Simon Smith
 Lisa Lucius (friend of Mary Ann Walker)
 John Gotera (co-worker of Cliff O'Conner)
 Noah Blue Webber (great niece of Russell & Kay Sowell)
 Chris O'Conner
 Fay Tomlin (friend of Joyce Ingram Casillas)
 Levi & Lindsey Lance (family of Kristen Prince, South Asia)
 Jere & Gail Gammon (father & step-mother of Heidi Terrell)
 Charles & Beth Vail
 Jan Christenson (friend of Linda Kroush)
 Jo Best
 Christopher Jarman

The family of Jackie Walton
 Scott Frame (Step-father of Mary Elinor Goodwin)
 Bud & Deloris Trout
 Peggy Rotenberry (mother of India Hale)
 Marie Coleman
 Rachel Smith (recovering from surgery)
 Cherry Smith
 David Burkhead
 Richard Van Sickle

NURSING/REHAB/RETIREMENT HOME

William Dorr (Providence — father of Jimmy Dorr)
 Sue Anthony (Providence — mother of Marvin Lishman)
 Robbie Sissell (The Langford of Collierville)

MILITARY SERVICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

Landon Riley (great-nephew of Glenda Rhodes)
 Brian Englund (nephew of Val Lyle)
 David Neal (brother of Beth Dickerson)
 Members of Mississippi National Guard Units
 Members of the Senatobia Police Department
 Members of the Tate County Sheriff's Department
 Members of the Mississippi Highway Patrol
 Will Parker (Navy; nephew of Phil & Sharon Coleman)

Parker Still

Flower Calendar

June 7 Erin Peterson
 June 14 ***Open***
 June 21 Putt Family
 June 28 ***Open***

June 2026 Worship Volunteers

OFFERING COLLECTORS.....Marvin Lishman & Martin Murphree
 MONDAY MORNING COUNTER.....Faye Dorr

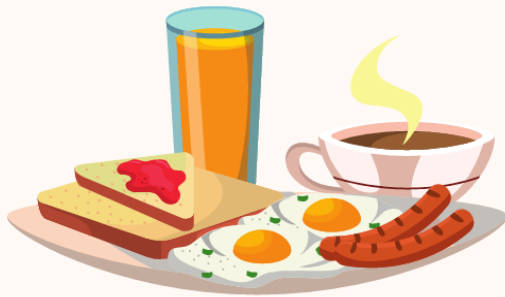
AUDIO/VISUAL OPERATORS (8:45) June 7.....Calvert Shideler
 June 14.....Phillip Frazier
 June 21.....Calvert Shideler
 June 28.....Garrett Nickens

AUDIO/VISUAL OPERATORS (11:00) June 7.....Eric McAlexander
 June 14.....Robert Barnard
 June 21.....Calvert Shideler
 June 28.....Lee Pinkston

USHERS.....8:45 a.m.....Paul Mabry & Jerry Clark
 11:00 a.m.....Sidney Kidder, Les Young, Jamie Beckham

Upcoming Activities

Men's Breakfast



Sunday, June 7
Fellowship Hall at 7:30

METHODIST
WOMEN'S
MEETING

MONDAY,
JUNE 15
6 P.M.

FELLOWSHIP
HALL

All women of the church are welcome for a time of fellowship, service to our church and global community, and to deepen our Christian faith. †

Refreshments will be provided! †

Meetings will be held on the third Monday night of each month at 6:00 p.m. † † † † †

VBS

RAINFOREST FALLS
Exploring GOD'S Nature

DATES:

June 22-26, 2026

8:30 - 12:00

Rainforest Explorers
Jesus Leads the Way

4K-6TH GRADE, & SPECIAL NEEDS
(NURSERY, 2K & 3K FOR VOLUNTEERS)

SFMC CHOIR PRESENTS

4TH OF JULY

PROGRAM

THE SFMC CHOIR WILL PERFORM A PATRIOTIC, FOURTH OF JULY PROGRAM AT BOTH SERVICES ON SUNDAY, JUNE 28TH. PLEASE JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE AMERICA AND ITS 250TH BIRTHDAY!

PLEASE JOIN US!

Happy
Birthday

1 Suzanne Coke
6 Brian Atwood
7 Sloane Sellers
9 Paul Mabry
10 Charlie Smith
10 Janet Clark
12 Lee Pinkston
15 Wade Barham
15 Jason Puckett
15 Megan Murphree
17 Judy Allison

Happy
Birthday

19 Don Fernholz
19 Kristen Prince
20 Shirley Anderson
22 Ricky Copeland
22 Lincoln Beckham
22 Kelley Coleman
23 Jimmy Dorr
23 Sidney Roberts
25 Troy Day
25 Van Kidder-Gillentine
25 Summer Putt
27 Callie Kidder

Happy
Birthday

28 Erin Edwards
29 Elizabeth Carpenter

Happy
Anniversary

1 Terry & Linda Kroush
2 Marvin & Gay Lishman
3 Jesse & Kasey Barham
3 Craig & Calvert Shideler
4 Lee & Tiffani Hurley
4 Jason & Tara Puckett
4 Charles & Beth Vail
6 Aylon & Summer Putt
10 Tim & Brenda Sexton
12 Travis & Elizabeth Carpenter
16 Brian & Sara Atwood

Happy
Anniversary

18 Eric & Jessica McAlexander
19 Sean & Susan Zeringue
21 Bobby & Marcia Kidder
22 Connor & Hope Burns
22 Marc & Brenda Lacker
22 Kyle & Erin Peterson
23 Mike & Jill Ferguson
24 Doug & Jill McClure
24 Derek & Kristen Prince
24 Tim & Laura Steward
24 Lindsey & Cynthia Todd
26 Eric & Tina Edwards

Happy
Anniversary

27 John & Cara Matlock
29 Jennifer & Josh Hammons

*Senatobia 1st Methodist
Church:*

*Many thanks for your
donation and your
generous hosting of
the Lenten lunches.*

*They were a blessing
to the community.*

Thankfully yours,

*Donna Holt
Hope Ministries
Board member*