

SUNDAY SCHEDULE-June 2019

8:45 -9:00 Open Prayer in Sanctuary
 9:00-9:50 Sunday School (2 adult and children) & Coffee hour
 10:00-11:00 Worship in Sanctuary
 4:30-6:00 Adult Choir Practice

Ushers: Larry Brasher & Ann King
 Lay Reader: David Rigdon
 Worship : Karon Bailey
 Communion Servers: Amy Haizlip & Robbe Gay

Church Attendance: Billie Hayes
 Trustee Lock up: Jim Branch
 Congregational Care Team: Beverly Thomas

	June 2	June 9	June 16	June 23	June 30
Greeters	Becky Nesmith & Charlotte French	Becky Nesmith & Charlotte French	Mary Beth & Michel McKay	Mary Beth & Michel McKay	Mary Beth & Michel McKay

June Birthdays... "Happy Birthday to YOU!"

Al King	June 1	Matthew Toone	June 13
Dee Dee Given	June 14	Phyllis Bivins	June 16
Bruce Huey	June 21	James Herron	June 27
Tommie Johnson	June 28	David Rigdon	June 29
Tom Temple	June 30		

Gifts were received by the church in memory of Francis Atchison by:
Mamie Van Dyke **David and Gail Busby** **Kay Atchison**

Gifts were received by the church in memory of Woody Mackey:
Laurel and Alex Hoag **Joyce Randall** **Billie Hayes**
Carol Smith **Connie Harbor**

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Pastor Article

Is it just me or does it already feel like summer and it's not even officially here yet? It is now June. As things heat up weather wise, it's also heating up around here with lots of activity during the last week of May and the first weekend of June. In the final week of May, the church prepares for its annual Yard Sale which always falls on the first Saturday in June. This is inevitably followed the next day by the start of Annual Conference, which runs from Sunday June, 2-Tuesday, June 4, this year. Teresa Wood is representing us as our Lay Delegate this year, and of course I'm our clergy representative.

Things have been heating up in the Conference as Annual Conference approaches. It is an election year for the upcoming 2020 General Conference. The total numbers of self-nominated clergy and laity is much higher than usual. It is no surprise because so many clergy and laity are unsatisfied, to say the least, concerning the results of the 2019 called General Conference which took place near the end of February. Many are upset about the new restrictions, prohibitions, and exclusionary language and actions toward fellow Christians who are members of the LGBTQ community. Alongside this concern, is the deep despair being felt about how the UMC could possibly become fractured and fragmented due to many deep differences and disagreements ranging from the theology and doctrine to definitions of what it looks like to be a "true" disciple of Jesus.

I don't know what will happen or how it will all end. I do know that it is not supposed to be this way. In the last few weeks we have looked back on the words Jesus speaks to the disciples in the Farewell Discourse in Chapters 13-17 of John's Gospel. Jesus says again and again about how he came to mark the world with the love of God, to teach and show the disciples how to be marked by love, what it looks like to the world that we are marked by love and how to show the world who God is, who Jesus is, by the mark of God's love we leave on the world. In chapter 17 he even talks about unity. The peace and unity in the Christian community, in spite of its many disagreements, differences, and tendencies toward divisiveness, is supposed to be a vision of hope for a world torn apart by disagreements, differences and divisions that lead to so much violence, oppression, and suffering. This is both good news and a challenge, a call to us as the church.

I have hope in knowing that the way things are is not the way things have to be, nor will things always be this way. The UMC once experienced similar circumstances concerning the issues of slavery, segregation, racism, and ordination of women. Things always got stormy for years, even decades, but eventually the church came out on the side it should have in the first place. It didn't end disagreements, differences, or even struggles for power and authority... but we were able to look up from such things toward God, who loves us, loves this world, and calls us to work together for the common mission and ministry of marking this world with God's love that brings hope, peace, healing, and new life. Please pray for the UMC, our Annual Conference, and about ways we here at Hoover First can make our common call and ministry of reaching all people with the love of Christ our number one priority.

Pastor Angela

Reaching out to all people, inviting them to experience the love of Jesus Christ.

Seniors

The Seniors will be doing the Father's Day tribute this year. They will collect names and money on June 2nd and June 9th. All money will be donated to the general budget.

The Seniors will NOT be meeting in the months of June and July. We will begin meeting again in August.

Please encourage anyone who would enjoy the Seniors meetings to begin coming and having a great time with us in August.

OUTREACH UPDATE

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO SUPPORTED THE HFUMC BLOCK PARTY! IT WAS A BIG SUCCESS FOR COMMUNITY OUTREACH. WE RECEIVED MANY THANK YOU'S FROM THE PARENTS OF THE CHILDREN WHO PARTICIPATED. I THINK THEY ALL SLEPT GOOD THAT NIGHT!

June

June 9th- A "Thank you Luncheon" will be held downstairs after our church service. Please come!

The Outreach Committee would like to invite you to a "Recognition and Thank You" luncheon in appreciation of the support and generosity that you continue to provide. There will be a sign up sheet in the Narthex so we can make sure we have enough food. Donations will be accepted with all monies going to the church General Fund.

July

During the month of July we will be collecting items to support the McCoy Adult Day Care Center. The McCoy Adult Day Care is a program of the United Methodist Center for Senior Citizens. By Mid-June we will provide a list of suggested items needed to support this important ministry as well as identify a location in the Narthex to place the donations.

Day School News

Summer weather has arrived early, but the Day School kids know that means splashing in the wading pools and running through the sprinklers will be happening soon! Our Summer session begins Wednesday, June 5th.

Plenty of Summer activities are planned along with water play.

Plan ahead to attend our annual fourth of July parade! It will be held Tuesday July 2nd at 12:00 noon. You are welcome to watch the children parade around the parking lot and then go pick up your Boston Butt from the Men's group.

We would love to have volunteers to read to the children. Just let Susan know when you would like to come.

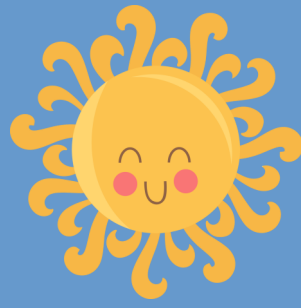
The kids had a great time at field day this year. There were so many activities for them to do along with a visit from the shaved ice truck.



THANK YOU

A huge thank you to the outreach group and all of the volunteers who made the block party such a great success. There was such a good turn out and everyone had a wonderful time!!





June 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Garage Sale 8-1
2 Choir 4:30 pm Annual	3 Conference	4 ----->	5 First Day of Day School Summer program	6	7	8 Men's Group 8:00 am
9 BP Sunday "Thank you Luncheon" Choir 4:30 pm	10	11 Outreach 5:30 pm	12	13	14	15
16 Choir 4:30 pm	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 Choir 4:30 pm	24	25	26	27	28	29
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Sunday Schedule

9:00 am Sunday School and Coffee Hour
 10:00 am Worship
 4:30-5:30 pm Adult Choir

Blood Pressure Sundays

Mark your calendars to come early on the following Sundays to have your blood pressure checked.
 Here are the dates for 2019 Blood Pressure Sundays

June 9th July 14th
 August 11th September 8th
 October 13th November 10th
 December 8th



If you have any questions regarding BP Sunday please contact Cherie Huey

Summary of Worship for June 2019

June 2 Sunday Gospel: John 17:20-26	Seventh Sunday after Easter/Communion Sermon: "Embodied by a Loving God"
June 9 Scripture : Acts 2:1-21	Pentecost Sunday Sermon "Empowered by a Loving God"
June 16 Scripture : Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31	Trinity Sunday/Father's Day Sermon: "The Inheritance of Wisdom"
June 23 Scripture : I Kings 19:1-15a	Second Sunday after Pentecost Sermon: "The Inheritance of Attentiveness"
June 30 Scripture: 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14	Third Sunday after Pentecost Sermon: "The Inheritance of Empowerment"