

The Connection

June Scripture Readings

- 1. Colossians 3:13
- 2. Matthew 6:14-15
- 3. Luke 17:3-4
- 4. Ephesians 4:31-32
- 5. 1 John 1:9
- 6. Acts 3:19
- 7. Isaiah 1:18
- 8. 2 Corinthians 5:17
- 9. Ephesians 1:7-8
- 10. Hebrews 10:17
- 11. Daniel 9:9
- 12. Colossians 1:13-14
- 13. Psalm 103:12
- 14. Micah 7:18-19
- 15. Mark 11:25
- 16. Luke 6:37
- 17. 1 Peter 1:3
- 18. Luke 7:47
- 19. Psalm 130:3-4
- 20. Isaiah 55:7
- 21. Luke 24:46-47
 22. 1 Corinthians 6:9-11
- 23. 1 John 2:1-2
- 24. Matthew 18:21-22
- 25. 2 Corinthians 2:5-8
- 26. John 8:7
- 27. Hebrews 12:14
- 28. James 5:16
- 29. Psalm 19:12
- 30. Acts 2:38

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Special Days in June

1 National Go Barefoot Day 2 National Leave the Office Early Day 3 National Doughnut Day 4 National Hug Your Cat Day 5 National Cancer Survivor's Day 6 National Yo-Yo Day 7 National Chocolate Ice Cream Day 8 National Best Friends Day 9 National Strawberry Rhubarb Pie Day 10 National Black Cow Day 11 National Corn of the Cob Day 12 National Children's Day 13 National Weed Your Garden Day 14 National Flag Day 15 National Smile Power Day 16 National Fudge Day 17 National Flip Flop Day 18 National Go Fishing Day 19 Juneteenth Day 20 National Ice Cream Soda Day 21 National Selfie Day 22 National Kissing Day 23 National Pink Day 24 National Take Your Dog to Work Day 25 National Catfish Day 26 National Beautician's Day 27 National Onion Day 28 National Paul Bunyan Day 29 National Camera Day 30 National Handshake Day

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4 Treesa Colosky
5 Lauren Dickson
6 Bruce Burns Judy Dodd Andrea Johnson Tim Morrill Emily Buccaneer
7 Tim Kinney
8 Carl Yorke
9 Jennifer Colosky Hurlahe Mario Gabriel

3 Darla Gasper

- 10 Susan Burns Zachary Dickson
- 11 Norma Coon McKenzie Shores
- 12 Jeremy Burks
- 17 Kayla Olmstead Bridgett Pletcher
- 19 Nancy Burns
- 20 Geraldine Burns
- 22 Neil Balfour





Moment

Being prudent and saving for a rainy day are good things. They are things that are encouraged in a number of different places in the Bible. But, at what point does being smart and saving for the future, turn into selfishness? What is the proper balance between saving and giving? There is no hard-and-fast answer, but Luke 12:16-21 gives us guidance. The ground of a landowner produced an excellent crop. It was so good that he didn't have room to store it all; so he built bigger barns to store all of the grain and told himself he would be able to take life easy for many years.

That seems like a smart thing to do, right? But Jesus said that God was upset with the man, because if he died that night, all of his surplus would go to waste. Didn't the man have every right to make a profit from his abundant harvest? What exactly did he do wrong?

The plentiful harvest had given him far more than he needed. He had the chance to do some incredible things with it, but instead he squandered the chance, because he thought he had earned it.

What would have happened, if the man had imagined the possibilities for sharing the surplus? He could have put some of the crop aside to have good seeds for the following season. He could have taken the profits from selling the extra crops and given ten percent or more to the work of God. That would have been a good start. He could also reward those who had helped produce such a good crop. He could look around his community and see who was struggling to make it from one day to the next. He had the opportunity to make their lives easier through a generous gift.

At the end of the day, the satisfaction he would get from sharing his bountiful harvest would last far longer. He might sleep more soundly, knowing he had made his neighbors' lives easier and that God had used him to make his corner of the world a better place. He could be filled with joy because his faith had led him to save wisely and give generously.

The "Parable of the Rich Fool" in Luke 12 is about one man and what he alone could do. As a congregation, we can contribute together to help people in need and make our corner of the world a better place. We don't have to be rich. As a congregation of the United Methodist Church we can contribute to make other corners of the world a better place and be filled with joy because we have given generously.





Mission and Outreach notes for June

The only event we are considering in the near future is a pot luck after the church service to honor the first responders in our community. The firemen, policemen, ambulance people. We have no specific date as of yet, but it will probably be in either July or August.

I am writing this on Tuesday, May 17th, 2022. I am quite certain you have heard of the mass shooting in Buffalo, New York and the shooting in the church in California over the past 2 days. What you may not have heard is that during the past 72 hours there have been 379+ shootings in the USA with many deaths and injured people.

Some of these incidents are racially motivated, others not. Regardless of the specific cause many are related to hate, bitterness, revenge, bigotry, etc.

Regardless of the underlying cause, there is much emotional and physical pain.

What is the Solution??

You know the answer!! What we need in our world is MORE OF JESUS, MORE OF GOD'S LOVE. Yes, more of Jesus, more of God's love in our world! We need to realize that a changed world starts in our homes, our local communities.

When you leave our church drive on your way onto Barnes Road, you see our sign, "you are now entering your Mission Field". Changing our world starts with each one of us.

There is a saying that comes out of the persecuted church in North Korea that goes like this:

LOVE BEGETS LOVE, AND THAT LOVE BEGETS A NEW LOVE AND THROUGH THAT NEW LOVE, ONE MUST MAKE MANY PEOPLE INTO WARRIORS FOR JESUS CHRIST.

What are your thoughts concerning the violence we hear of each and every day? Maybe the answer rests in Romans 12:9 and 18.

Your thoughts.

Maury Chapin, Chair

Mission and Outreach

Upcoming Events and Information...

35th Annual

Ice Cream Social

Millington United Methodist Church

(formerly Arbela UMC's)

9020 State Rd., Millington (corner of M-15 & Barnes)

Friday, June 17th, 2022, 4:00 to 7:00 pm



Featuring:

Homemade Ice Cream

Pies and Desserts

We recently received a check for \$173.75 from Planet Green for cartridges collected.!

Thank you to all those who help raise money for our Children's program by recycling your ink cartridges. Effective March 1, 2020, the only thing that Planet Green will accept after that date is ink cartridges. Please bring your items to the church office to be collected. Thank you!

What we reycle: Ink Cartridges

We will **NO LONGER ACCEPT** cell phone & accessories, GPS & radar detectors, calculators, eBook Readers, IPods/MP3 Players, Digital/Video Cameras, PDAs, IPads/Tablets, Video Game Consoles & Accessories.



SCRIP Gift Card Program



Father's Day, A Special Veteran, Teacher Gift, Weddings, Showers, Birthdays and Anniversaries, Graduations, or just to say Thank You...don't forget you can purchase or order your SCRIP Gift Cards from Barb in the church office. Proceeds from this program go to help support our Children's programs. There are several cards available in the office and 100's you can order. We have earned another \$2.52 for the youth group account just this month! Thank you! See Barb in the church office if you would like to purchase or order cards.

	June 2022					
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5 9am Sunday School 10am Worship—Pastor John Britt Pentecost	6 7pm Mission & Outreach Mtg.	7 8:30 am Women's 4th Day 6pm Men's 4th Day	8 10 am Quilt Club`	9	10	11
12 9am Sunday School 10am Worship— Free2b, Kim French and CJ Short	13	14 8:30 am Women's 4th Day Flag Day	15	16	17 4-7pm Ice Cream Social	18
Trinity Sunday 19 9am Sunday School 10am Worship Father's Day	20	21 8:30 am Women's 4th Day 6pm Men's 4th Day First Day of Summer	22 10 am Quilt Club	23	24	25
26 9am Sunday School 10am Worship—Pastor Steve Lambert	27	28 8:30 am Women's 4th Day	29	30		

A Note from Barb...

Every good and perfect gift is from above. –James 1:17

Thinking over all the blessings that God has blessed me with over the years, I think the best gift he has given me is the family he blessed me with. First my parents and siblings. And then my husband and sons. Then my daughters and grandchildren. I love them all and they are all good to me. Who could ask for anything more? But then I also thought of my church family. But I wasn't just blessed with just one church family, I was blessed with two! My St. Paul Lutheran family, and my Methodist family.

The support I get from all of these pieces of my life make up who I am and I pray that I never let any of you down.

Thank you for always being there when I need an extra hand or an ear to listen to me. You are an extraordinary group of people who deserve the very best! God's blessings on you all!

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