



## Sanctuary worship returns!

Yes, you read that right! After more than a year we are making plans to return worship to the sanctuary.

Our Planning & Preparation Taskforce, working with our Worship Team, has set plans in motion for us to begin using the sanctuary again on Sunday, May 9 (Mother's Day). The schedule we're following for in the upcoming weeks is as follows:

<b>Sunday, April 11</b>	10:00 a.m.	Fellowship hall
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<b>Sunday, April 18</b>	10:00 a.m.	Fellowship hall
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<b>Sunday, April 25</b>	10:00 a.m.	Fellowship hall
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<b>Sunday, May 2</b>	10:00 a.m.	Playground
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*(We'll be celebrating the Sacrament of Infant Baptism for Hugh Michael Mills Lyon, the son of Matt & Jessica [Cunyngham] Lyon, and the family has asked for an outdoor service)*

<b>Sunday, May 9</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
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*From Pastor Todd, continued*

We are still required by the Holston Conference to social distance and wear masks in the sanctuary. In addition, every other pew must be left empty. My best estimate is that we can seat 35-40 people in the sanctuary with these restrictions.

The question of Sunday school has also been raised.

Unfortunately, our classrooms do not offer enough space to social distance so we still cannot use them for Sunday school. Since we only have two adult classes now some options to consider include:

- Have both classes meet in the fellowship hall—one group near the kitchen and one group near the main doors (with masks and social distancing). However, this arrangement may make it difficult to hear with people in both groups talking and teaching.
- Temporarily combine both adult classes into one and meet in the fellowship hall (with masks and social distancing).
- Have one Sunday school class meet at 9:00 a.m., and the other adult class could meet after worship at 11:00 a.m.

The Seekers Sunday school class continues to meet virtually on Zoom. But if classes are still uncomfortable meeting in person, that's completely understandable. As with worship, we want you to feel at ease about returning to church and Sunday school. Do what is best for you and your family with regard to health and attendance.



Soddy United Methodist Church will once again be sponsoring Camp Lookout scholarships for the summer of 2021. Children and grandchildren of members and affiliates are eligible for these full camper scholarships.

If you are interested, please check out the Camp Lookout brochure, available at [www.camplookout.com](http://www.camplookout.com) to select a program session and date. Once you have made your decision, please contact Soddy UMC

Treasurer, Suzie Weber (423-595-4628, [tnwebers@epbfi.com](mailto:tnwebers@epbfi.com)), to obtain the sponsorship code needed to make your child's reservation directly with Camp Lookout. **PLEASE DO NOT SHARE THIS CODE WITH ANYONE!** Each camper must be accounted for by the Treasurer to ensure proper payment to Camp Lookout.

# April Birthdays

1	Judy Teague	17	Hannah Lynch
2	Robert Wood	18	Jean Johnson
	Kevin Jones	20	Jim Adams
4	April Mikeal Messer	25	Frank Mulkey
	Felicia Kingrea	26	Carla Anderson
10	Jean Wortham		Fay Daughtrey
14	Carlos Wilson	28	Suzanne Parrott



# May Birthdays

7	Ray Woodall	25	Donna Graham
8	Karen Yeatts	28	Charles Bain
9	Mike Parrott	31	Rebecca Musgrave
11	Steve Wortham		
12	Carson Wood		
13	Marion Wood Wagner		
20	Evelyn Caldwell		
21	Britany Posey		
24	Annaliese Mullins		
	Aiden Mullins		

## May Anniversaries

23	Tripp & Kathryn Mullins
27	Matt & Jessica Lyon

# June Birthdays

4	Jim Mulkey	28	Matt Lyon
9	Sid Parrott	29	Kellsea Hendrix
11	Becky Stulce		
	Hannah Musgrave		
	Kathy Vinyard		
12	Marti Hendrix		
	Bennett Hendrix		
14	Ron Reahard		
15	Marie Musgrave		
17	Carl McLaughlin		
24	Matthew Kingrea		

## June Anniversaries

4	Charles & Gena Bain
6	Arnie & Becky Stulce
	Doug & Karen Yeatts
17	Jeff & Karen Ward
20	Buck & Jean Johnson
24	Vic & Sharon Rogers

# 2021 HOLSTON ANNUAL CONFERENCE HANDS-ON MISSION PROJECT SCENIC SOUTH DISTRICT



## HOME BUCKETS FOR ZIMBABWE

- 1 roll of paper towels
- 1 spray deodorant (7 oz. or less)
- 1 bottle of shampoo (15 oz. or less)
- 1 bottle of dish liquid (25 oz. or less)
- 1 bottle of hand sanitizer (10 oz. or less)
- 1 bottle liquid toilet cleaner (24 oz. or less)
- 1 bottle antibacterial hand soap (10 oz. or less)
- 1 laundry detergent  
(liquid OR powder, 40 loads or less)



**NOTE:**  
A \$5.00  
donation for  
packing and  
shipping is to  
accompany  
each kit.



**PACK ALL ITEMS IN A NEW  
5-GALLON BUCKET WITH LID.**

***PLEASE LEAVE COMPLETED KITS  
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.***  
**ALL KITS MUST BE TURNED IN BY SUNDAY, MAY 30th!**



# Easter Egg hunt!





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# Holston Annual Conference Update

This year's annual conference will be a hybrid of virtual and in-person gatherings. The clergy session will be on Monday, June 7, at 2:00 PM on Zoom. A virtual annual conference (like the one last year) will be held on Saturday, June 12, beginning at 1:00 PM on Zoom. During this time the church will hear reports and worship together. Then, on Saturday, August 28, there will be an in-person gathering at Meadowview Conference & Retreat Center in Kingsport, TN.

The purpose of this gathering will be to discuss agenda items and vote. **ONLY** voting members of the annual conference will be able to attend. No discussion or voting will be done virtually, although the event will be live-streamed. The in-person annual conference is scheduled to run from 12:00 - 6:00 PM.



**Thursday, April 1st**

**Friday, April 3rd**

**Sunday, April 4th**

**Sunday, April 11th**

**Sunday, April 18th**

**Sunday, April 25th**

**Maundy Thursday**

**Good Friday**

*Easter Sunday*

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*"Have You Argued With God Today?"*

*"The Last Moment You Can Possibly Wait..."*

*"Why Did God Give Us Nature?"*





**Sunday, May 2nd**  
(outdoor service in playground)

*"Why United Methodists Baptize Infants"*  
The Sacrament of Infant Baptism for  
Hugh Michael Mills Lyon

**Sunday, May 9th**  
(first service back in sanctuary)

*Mother's Day*  
*"Three Priceless Qualities Of Mothers"*  
Hands-on mission kit buckets available

**Sunday, May 16th**

**Sermon to be determined**

**Sunday, May 23th**

**pentecost sunday**  
**Sermon to be determined**

**Sunday, May 30th**

**Sermon to be determined**  
Hands-on mission kit buckets DUE!

**Monday, May 31st**

**MEMORIAL DAY**



**Sunday, June 6th**

**Sermon to be determined**  
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

**Monday, June 7th**

Annual conference virtual clergy session

**Saturday, June 12th**

Annual conference virtual session for reports  
and worship (Zoom)

**Sunday, May 13th**

**Sermon to be determined**

**Sunday, May 20th**

**FATHER'S DAY**  
**Sermon to be determined**

**Sunday, May 27th**

**Sermon to be determined**