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A Place to Know, Grow, and Show God's Love
June 2026 Newsletter

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June 2026 Prayer List

"Offer prayers and petitions in the Spirit all the time. Stay alert by hanging in there and praying for all believers." -Ephesians 6:18

Prayer Requests For Our Community & Beyond:

Our church, its ministries, and leadership.

Our country, our community, and our church leaders.

For those affected by injustice and violence in all the ways they present themselves.

All medical and emergency personnel.

The Kairos Prison Ministry.

The World with all its needs, near and far from us.

Our Men and Women in the Military:

Ryan Buckingham, nephew of Jane Bedell, US Army

Karl Buckingham, nephew of Jane Bedell, US Army

Tyler Buckingham, nephew of Jane Bedell, US Army

Bobby Marshburn, Ensign in the Navy

Mason McDaniel, Godson of Janni & Dynelle Martin, US Army

Major Scott Powell, son of Thomas Powell, US Army

Steven Wheeler, brother-in-law of Jan Roe

PFC Connor Legg, grandson of Jack Legg, US Army

Those in Assisted Living:

Gayle Pritchett

Brighter Mornings at the Shoals

7456 Hwy 82 Spur, Maysville, GA 30558

Janet Varner

25 Glen Lake Parkway NE Apt 1215

Sandy Springs, GA 30328

Those at home:

Lucy Gailey

The Pines

P.O. Box 458, Maysville, GA 30558

Dr. Don McFadden

119 University Dr., Commerce, GA 30529

Shirley Parham

2900 McEver Rd, Gainesville, GA 30504

Pat and Jimmy Purcell

108 Windy Hills Rd. Commerce, GA 30529

Prayers for Strength and Healing:

Ed Adams

Mitchell Adams

Collins Anderson

Grant Anderson

Keith Ariail

Heather Ballenger

Pam Barnett

Betty Baxter

Roger Beauchamp

Saoirse Bergman

Phillippe Berra

Jimmy Bolton

Steave Breeding

Amy Brown

Dennis Cain

Marie Canady

Elton Collins

Betty Corn

Bob Crocket

Sonia Davis

Anna Diemond

Lorraine Dipple

Cathy Fletcher

Carol Hatcher

Kenny Hill

Lydia Hoadley

Dash Hughes

Philip Jones

Ezra King

Claudia Lacy

Dave Ladd

Linda Lamb

Kim & Doug Legg

Debbie Manus

Bobby Marshburn

Greg Martin

Tiffany Mathis

Mike Matthews

Charlotte Maxwell

Patsy McCall

Charles Morris

Reagan Mullinax

John Murphy

June Murphy

Tom Murphy

Wanda Murphy

Joyce Phillips

Tara Pittard

Kim Reaves

Colleen Rios

Tony Rios

Barry Roper

Stone Shirley

Steve Shoun

Winona Siwick

Janice Smith

Jade Stickland

Faye Sullens

James Thomas

Lisa Till

George Turk

Blakeley Waddell

Chester Walters

Samantha Watson

Please contact the church office with any updates. Thank you!

Joys & Celebrations

If you have any joys or celebrations you'd like to share with the congregation please contact the church office at 706-340-8611 or office@cfmc.life

Trustee of the Month

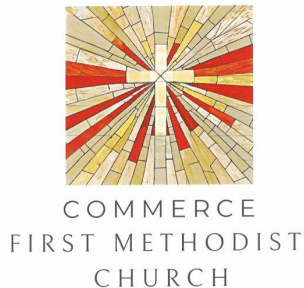
Preston Hempton

Counters

6/7 Dave Moon
Ray Morris
6/14 Al Fleming
Pete McClellan
6/21 Bill Davis
Dave Crouch
6/28 Jimmy Bolton
Elton Collins

A/V

6/7 Manning Pittard
Russell Crouch
Zachary Crouch
6/14 Evvie Phillips
Elise Phillips
6/21 Karen Hill
Evvie Phillips
6/28 Sara Hill
Manning Pittard
Russell Crouch



Altar Guild

Judy Harbin
Susan Gieler

Acolytes

6/7 Julia Crouch
OPEN
6/14 Rosemary Phillips
OPEN
6/21 Sara Hill
OPEN
6/28 Karen Hill
OPEN

Parents, online scheduling for Acolytes is now available. Please click [here](#) to sign your child up. Thank you!!

Children's Church

6/7 Remain in worship
6/14 Lydia Hoadley
6/21 Joy Scott
6/28 Kristen Hill

SAVE THE DATE

7/15– DeKalb Farmers Market Trip

7/26– Back to School Bash!

Happy Birthday

Jana Mitcham	6/4
Violet Samaniego	6/12
John William Pittard	6/13
Joe Fenn	6/15
Betty Turk	6/15
Julia Crouch	6/17
Anna Diemond	6/19
Mike Griffin	6/23
Barb Easterday	6/25
Harrison Lund	6/25
Amy Harbin	6/27
Liam Smith	6/28

HAPPY Anniversary!

Jana and Zachary Mitcham	6/1
Nadine and Roger Waters	6/1
Karen and Tommy Benton	6/6
Bette Rose and Mike Bowers	6/8
June and Tom Murphy	6/8
Nancy and David Nichols	6/12
Kristen and Daniel Hill	6/16
Linda and Charles Exley	6/19
Alice and Robert Lyle	6/21
Janet and Edward Adams	6/22



Elizabeth Clark	Christian Hoadley
Keitha Clark	Lydia Hoadley
Jim Dove	Michael Sales
Nancy Dove	Sheila Sales



Care to Share

Care to Share is a Youth Sunday School program that connects Commerce First Methodists "Tall People" with our youth. Each Sunday, from June 7th through July 26th, members are asked to share a time that God has been with you in your life's journey, and/or a skill that you can share with the youth. The goal is building relationships for Christ with our young people and to grow in Christ alongside their church family. If you are interested in joining this very important discipleship, please let Pastor April know.



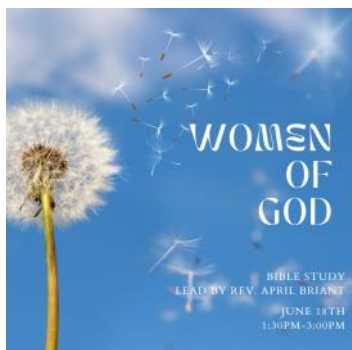
Summer Splash
Join us for a Dinner, Games, and Swimming at Staghorn Lake in Nicholson on **Saturday, June 6th, 2026** from 12:00PM – 4:00PM. Bring friends and family for a relaxing afternoon of food, festivities and fun at Staghorn Lake. The main dish will be provided and we are asking for you to bring a side dish or dessert to share. Please sign up [here](#).



Financial Peace University
Financial Peace University will be held at CFMC starting Wednesday, June 10th through August 12th. We will meet every Wednesday for 9 weeks from 5:30-6:45pm in the FLC. There is space for 10 families to attend. The cost will be \$100 per family. If you are interested please sign up [here](#).



Biblical History Center Trip
All ages are welcome to join us for a trip to the Biblical History Center on Thursday, June 11th! We will depart from CFMC at 9:00 AM and plan to return around 5:45 PM. The church will purchase all tickets in advance. Please reimburse the church on or before June 11th. Please RSVP [here](#), so we know what size van to reserve. **Ticket prices: Adults: \$30.88, Children: \$25.88, Ages 5 and under: Free.**



Women of God
Women of God Bible Study will be focusing on *Receiving Peace*. Please join us on Thursday, June 18th from 1:30–3:00 PM in the Education Building Library. We look forward to growing together in faith and peace!



Women's Choir Invitation
All women are invited to join the Women's Choir for a special anthem on Sunday, June 21st during the 11:00am worship service. No long-term commitment required-just come and sing! We will gather for a brief rehearsal at 10:30am in the sanctuary before the service. All are welcome.

June 2026 Trustee Flash

Great Things Are Happening on Our Campus!

What a difference a few months can make! Thanks to the generosity and faithfulness of this congregation, our Phase 1 Drainage Project is well underway — and the results are truly something to see. The weather has cooperated beautifully, and the work has moved along at a wonderful pace.

Do you remember what the Victoria Street parking lot looked like just two months ago? Or the ramp entrance to the Sanctuary? Or the driveway behind the Education Building? All three areas have been completely torn up and rebuilt from the ground up. The Trustees are extremely pleased with the craftsmanship and professionalism of Griffin Brothers, and the Finance Committee has secured all the necessary funding to complement the wonderful donations and pledges from our congregation.

What Has Been Completed

The drainage pipeline is now fully in place. The driveway behind the Education Building has been reworked and graded with a beautiful new retaining wall. Curbing and concrete work is nearly complete, and gravel has been laid in preparation for pavers in the parking area.

Perhaps most striking is the transformation at the Sanctuary entrance. The old ramp is gone, replaced by a smooth sidewalk that leads directly from the parking lot into the Sanctuary — no ramp required. Even better, you can now walk from the Education Building straight into the Sanctuary without navigating any steps at all. This is a wonderful improvement for everyone in our community.

Coming Soon

There is still more to look forward to! Next on the horizon is a covered walkway leading into the Sanctuary, along with new awnings: one over the lower entrance to the Youth Room, a longer awning over the FLC entrance from the parking lot, and an awning over the “casket” entrance to the Sanctuary.

Also in the planning stages: new playground equipment with an astroturf surface, updated signage throughout the campus, and fresh landscaping to tie it all together. The future of our campus is looking bright!

The Trustees are deeply grateful for your prayers, your giving, and your enthusiasm.

None of this would be possible without your faithful support or the time spent by your volunteer

Trustees to keep us within our budget!

Thank you!

Lay Leadership—Here to Serve!

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