

6th Sunday after Pentecost

July 4, 2021

PRELUDE/GATHERING

Jerrie Sue Massengale

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Buddy Butler

A TIME OF CENTERING

God Bless America

Jerrie Sue Massengale

CALL TO WORSHIP

Buddy Butler

Come! Listen to the word of the Lord!

Help us to receive God's word and direction for our lives.

Proclaim the goodness of God's love!

Let our voices and our actions be filled with love.

Come, now is the time to worship.

Open our eyes, our hearts and our spirits this day, Lord. AMEN.

*HYMNS OF PRAISE, 697, 696 *America, America the Beautiful*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, 881 The Apostles' Creed

*GLORIA PATRI, 70 **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

*SPECIAL MUSIC *Battle Hymn of the Republic* Ben and Nancy Thatcher

*DOXOLOGY, 95 **Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

Genesis 1:26-31; 2:7

SERMON

"Who Are We in Light of Who God Is"

Buddy Butler

HOLY COMMUNION

*INVITATIONAL HYMN, 641

Fill My Cup, Lord

*SENDING FORTH

*POSTLUDE

God Bless America, reprise

Jerrie Sue Massengale

"While the storm clouds gather far across the sea, let us swear allegiance to a land that's free.

Let us all be grateful for a land so fair as we raise our voices in a solemn prayer."

God bless America, land that I love. Stand beside her and guide her thru the night with a light from above.

From the mountains, to the prairies to the oceans white with foam. God bless America, my home, sweet home.

*Congregation standing, as able

A Bible Study on Ephesians, led by Pastor Buddy, will be available online and by Sermon on Phone on Wednesday, July 7.



The Sonshine Adult Sunday School Class has changed its name to **Son Seekers** to better reflect their purpose: "We seek to follow Jesus more closely, to study God's Word more intentionally, to encourage each other in our individual and community faith walks, and to strive to witness to the Lord in the living and giving of our lives." They have begun a study of *How Is It with Your Soul?* by Priscilla Pope-Levison and Jack Levison. The paperback versions are hard to find, but it is available on Kindle from Amazon for \$5.35. This is an open invitation--join us for the book, for a session, or for a season.

The Reading Room is back open for your reading adventures! Now is the time to read, read, read!!! UMW members will find reading program books in the church library, on the table and on the UMW bookshelf. Any book labeled 2015 - 2020 will count towards a certificate for 2021. Son Seekers Class, please note that *How Is It with Your Soul?* can be counted for 2021 in the Spiritual Growth category. You do NOT have to be a woman or a UMW member to read any book on the UMW shelves. But we do ask that ALL sign out UMW books, leaving the cards in the card catalog box or on the table. Thank you! Questions? See Marti Lane or go to <https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/readingprogram>

The Community Meal "To Go" is held on Mondays, 4—6 p.m. 148 meals were served on Monday. There is no charge for meals but donations are accepted and appreciated. If you would like to help, please contact Sheppie Dunn or Evelyn Stemmann. The Community Meal phone number is 423-241-2282.



Thanks to all your generous contributions we have exceeded our goal and paid off the new parsonage roof!

All items for the August issue of The Copperhill Courier are due in the church office by July 17 at 2 p.m.

Newsletter
DEADLINE



Our supplies are depleted! Please donate nonperishable food items in the Narthex box - peanut butter, jelly, breakfast cereal, oatmeal, canned meat, tuna, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, rice, soup, chili, vegetables, etc. *Thanks to all who contribute - the families are always grateful.*



Church Leadership

Pastor Gilbert "Buddy" Butler
Choir Director Ben Sexton
Accompanist Jerrie Sue Massengale
Secretary Heidi Rule
Custodian Christine Dowlin

Sunday Servants

Ushers Barry Abbott Dellon Ash
 Jerry Dunton Shirley Starling
 *Team captain
Sound Tech Randy Loudermilk, Ann Rymer
Webmaster Marti Lane

Our Prayer Concerns

Our Congregation: *Janice Burger, *+Jim Sheffer, Shirley Singleton, Janice Brooks, Evelyn Stemmann, Barb Bender, Hannah Geren, Dellon Ash

Homebound/Assisted Living: Fay Norwood, Emily Yaxley, Dot Sullivan, ^Warrene Alexander

Others in our prayers: Bill Grindstaff, Maria Ruark (mother of Evelyn Stemmann), Lacey Burnette and family, Sandy Graham, the family of Charles Bryson (brother-in-law of Ron Pace), Judy Potter (cancer treatments), Luann Sullivan (having cancer treatments), Phoebe Ann Smith (car accident), Virginia Lewis, surgery (friend of Evelyn Stemmann), Jerry Daves, cousin of Jerrie Sue Massengale, Bob and Sherry Welch, Wilma Sexton (mother of Ben Sexton). Alexis, granddaughter of Pamela Gamble (seizures), Marti Lane's cousin Bill Rider (undergoing chemo and radiation), Weldon Self, Jr., David Queen (brain tumor), ~Joe Roth (friend of Heidi Rule), Hoot and Gwen Skelton (Covid), Jessie Lebo (grandmother of April Butler), Ricky Callihan, Jill Chatham Anderson – chemo treatments (step-daughter of Brenda Chatham), Kerry and Cindy Hicks, first responders, our armed forces, victims of hate crimes and their families and perpetrators of hate crimes and their families

*new to concerns +Hospital ^Assisted Living/Nursing Home ~ Hospice

If you would like to add someone to our Prayer Concerns, please call the church office.

Birthdays

7 Emily Yaxley

Anniversaries

7 Buddy and April Butler 27th

If your birthday or anniversary has not appeared in our listings please call the church office so we can update our records.



Today	Monday	Thursday
10:00 am Sunday School	4:00 pm Community Meal "To Go"	6:00 pm AA Meeting (Legacy Hall)
11:00 am Worship		

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Come to the Table
Become the Gift of Reconciliation



Everyone Welcome!