

# Sunset Rays

*The "Son" still shines at Sunset Drive Church*

*July 2022*

Newsletter for **SUNSET DRIVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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**Rev. Tommy Lewis-Crosby**



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***"Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!"***

I am so thrilled to be appointed to Sunset Drive UMC. I first came to this church as a young college kid who had worked at Camp Overlook and interviewed for a position of Youth director almost 20 years ago. I had two wonderful and formative years here at that time. It was at that time that I began to discern and then answer my call into ministry. This was the place I got my start in pastoral ministry. As I look back now, I know I made mistakes. There are things I could have done better. I realized that after 3 years of seminary, and 20 years of experience looking back. The one thing I remember is the grace and love this church showed me then and has continued to show me over the years. Sunset Drive has always been a place I considered home. It is a place that has supported me and now I look forward to our ministry together! God has great things in store for us!

As we begin our journey, I want us to spend time in prayer and discernment to where God is calling us as a church. We have the statement Connect, Grow, Serve. I think this is wonderful. I want us to dream big on how we can connect with our community and how we can serve it. How can we grow faithful disciples of Jesus Christ? I want us to live with these questions over the next couple months and pray for God's guidance.

"The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field"

Let's get our hands dirty in God's garden and rejoice in the harvest we yield.

Blessings,

*Pastor Tommy*

## Upcoming Church Events

- **August 2022 Newsletter Deadline:** Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup> . Please have all information to church office.



# Keep current with News & Events

submitted by Barry Davis

A friendly reminder that you can find an up-to-date calendar, bulletins, sermons, newsletters, upcoming events and online giving information on our website. Please take a few minutes and browse the site to see what's there. You'll be surprised at how much information is right at your fingertips.

If you have any comments or suggestions about how we can improve our website or our Facebook page, please feel free to contact me at [barry8360@yahoo.com](mailto:barry8360@yahoo.com)

Our website: <https://www.sunsetdriveumc.com>

Our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/sunsetdriveumc>

## Prayer List

### Our Church Family ...

Lois Dinges  
Kathryn Ford  
Nancy Hoover  
Virginia Ann Hulvey  
Rosemary Mumaw  
Sue Olson  
Richard and Kathy Sharpe  
Marium Selke

### Our "Extended" Church Family ...

Kinley Comer  
Rhonda McDonald  
Belle Weakley

## Prayers for Our Military Families

Will Freds: U.S Army (son-in- law of CW and Peggy Grandle)  
Mark Long: U.S Navy (son of Dawn Long)  
Chris Mullenax: U.S Army Special Forces  
Richard Ruley: US Air Force (great nephew of Michael and Esther Malloy)



## Thank you

*Blessings Upon Blessings!*

What a "send-off" Sunset Church Family gave to Dreanna and me our last Sunday with you. Following worship, the long tables of food, the warm fellowship, hugs and wishes were very special to us. Our time with you has truly been a blessing and your endearing words and envelopes at our "going-away," expressing your love and good wishes, was/is so appreciated. With all our love we wish God's blessings upon you and yours always!

*Pastor Tom*

## In Sympathy

- **We extend Christian sympathy** and prayers to the ***Phil Long Sr.*** family. Pal passed away on Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. He will be missed by his Sunset Drive family.
- **We extend Christian sympathy** and prayers to the Carl Grey Hoover family. Carl Grey passed away on Wednesday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>. He will be missed by his Sunset Drive family.
- **We extend Christian sympathy** and prayers to the Dorothy "Dot" Gladden family. Dot passed away on Monday, July 11<sup>th</sup>. She will be missed by her Sunset Drive family.

## Monthly Newsletter

Do you have any suggestions or ideas for information you would like to see in the monthly Newsletter? Please contact the church office at [office@sunsetdriveumc.com](mailto:office@sunsetdriveumc.com).

## Hygiene Closet

submitted by Lacey Roberts

We are helping a teacher at JCMES start a Hygiene Closet here at school. We will be collecting items starting next week for students in need at the school. There will be a box placed in the Narthex but if you have any questions, please contact Lacey Roberts or Jodi Clarke. The list of the items needed are on the bulletin board or on the flyers in the Narthex. Thank you,

## Communications

submitted by Matt Krantz

We would like to improve the way we communicate with you, especially if information is very timely. We will begin using the REMIND App as an additional tool to share information quickly through text messages.

If you would like to be added, we ask that you download the free app on your phone and email me your name and cell phone number and I will add your number to the list. You will receive a text asking if you would like to receive messages and to send Y or N. Please send Y if you would like to be added to the list. The church will then be able to send out short messages, reminders and important information. If you have any questions please reach out to Matt Krantz, Communications Chair at [bopsmk@hotmail.com](mailto:bopsmk@hotmail.com) or 304.886.3043.

## Outreach News

Submitted by Joe Adolph

Since 1925, Lions International has been a champion in helping combat vision impairment and blindness. It's through your donation of used glasses that the Lions are able to help those in need. If you would like to donate any old glasses, there is a collection box in the narthex. The Lions Club appreciates all donations.



# Sunset Drive Ladies News

submitted by Donna Belle Dove

Sunset Drive Ladies have had a productive spring. We have made our regular donations to Meals on Wheels and the Presbyterian Food Pantry along with donations to: Hillyard Middle School Back Pack Program, Open Doors, New Creation, UMCOR, Samaritan's Purse, Pleasant View, CRPS, AVA Care, and Camp Overlook Scholarship Fund. Many of these donations are made possible because of the proceeds from our yard/bake sale.

With that in mind, we would like to thank all of you for your help with our annual sale. It would not be possible without you. Anonymous donations show up in the garage. You bake. You shop. You help organize and advertise. You help with moving items and pricing. You give moral support. All of this help resulted in a profit of about \$3000. Thank you again.

We made and distributed goodie bags to the Meals on Wheels recipients when it was our church's time to deliver. The smiles and thankful reactions are a blessing to those delivering.

Our next official meeting will be in September. We hope you will join us.

## Word Search

Congratulations to all who turned in the June Word Search.

Sadie Kann

Dixie Miller

Lisa Thacker

## Happy Birthday

### July

4 Michele White

5 Jodi Clarke, Jordan Holsinger

7 Ellie Roach, Carla Fisher

8 Sophie Davis

9 Angela Craig, Susan Holsinger

11 Travis Fulk, Les Pettigrew

12 Ben Orebaugh

14 Donna Arbogast, Brenda Hoover

16 Tara Langston

18 Emily Dick

19 Eleanor Campbell

21 Laura Deavers, Lisa Thacker, Billy Hulvey

22 Jonathan Thompson

24 Heather Reeves

26 Aaron Hoover, John Haviland

27 Liz Orebaugh

30 Karla Dick, Ed Roach, Andy Thomas



## Happy Anniversary

### July

- 4 Mike and Cecee Hawkins
- 18 Dennis and Kay Turner
- 21 Scott and Valerie Arbogast
- 23 Jeremy and Lisa Jo Fulk



## Happy Birthday

### August

- 4 Zane Turner
- 5 Erika Dick, Huck Kann
- 7 Helen Thomas, Andy Haviland
- 8 Tanner Fulk, Brian Powell, Luke and Daniel Boller
- 9 Kay Bowman
- 10 Joanna Thompson
- 12 Joan Shifflett
- 17 John Crist
- 18 Tom Hoover
- 19 Eva Rellins
- 20 Norma Lee, Craig Hoover, Terri Hoover
- 24 Ashley Hoover, Ollie Roberts
- 28 Alan Laughlin, Eli Flora
- 31 Lee Andes



## Happy Anniversary

### August

- 1 Wayne and Donna Arbogast, Ronnie and Donna Belle Dove
- 4 Kyle and Meghan Flora
- 5 Lowell and Sandy Turner, Scott and Becky Harris,
- 9 Tim and Shelia Proctor
- 16 Jeffrey and Emily Dick Kopsick
- 17 George and Janet Hadley
- 20 Tim and Robin Turner
- 21 Tom and Dreanna Murphy
- 25 Michael and Shelley Ellington
- 31 Grant and Maureen Holsinger



# July 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>NOTES</b>						
3 Sunday School: 9 am Worship: 10 am Children's Church: 10am	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 Sunday School: 9 am Worship: 10 am Children's Church: 10am	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 Sunday School: 9 am Worship: 10 am Children's Church: 10am	18	19	20	21	22	23
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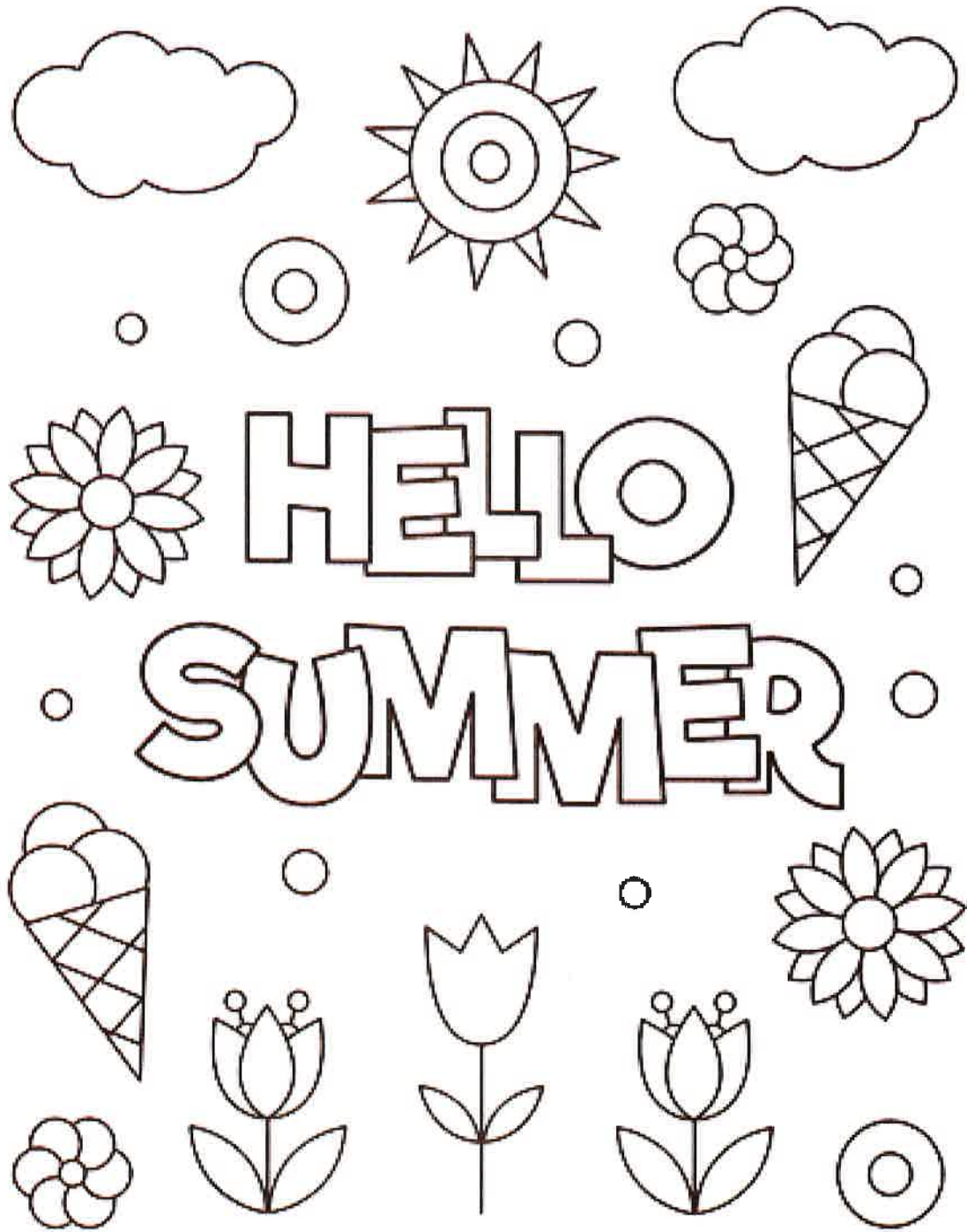
## Summer Is Here

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 I U J O E F Y K O H K Y E X D T S W G L C  
 E P W N O M I L W E L C O M E O T X Y Z K  
 N P K I G K E R V C N R J U L Y M A G E Y  
 D R N Y V M O P E E P P O O L S X N Q J Q  
 S S D A R X U U D W P I C E C R E A M A S  
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 C H T H T G E Y F S B R L J S A D E E Z Z  
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 W N H C E M K L C C H H S S N E R F M F H  
 S K V D J A B N F A M I L Y S B R Q D Q A  
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 Q Q H L O I T G G G U K V T N L X N P T G  
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| • July             | • Baseball   |
| • Fourth           | • Ice cream  |
| • Fireworks        | • Pool       |
| • Welcome          | • Fun        |
| • Independence Day | • Sunshine   |
| • Cook Outs        | • Hamburger  |
| • Family           | • Hot Dog    |
| • Friends          | • Watermelon |

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return to Sunset Drive by Tuesday, July 26<sup>th</sup>. Those who complete the word search will be listed in the August Newsletter. There is a box in the narthex to your completed word search. Watch for new word search next month.



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please color and return to Sunset Drive. There will be a box in the narthex to leave your coloring page. We will have to coloring pages displayed on the bulletin board in the narthex. Watch for new coloring or activity pages next month.