

## Current Session Elders

**Clerk of Session**  
Melanye Lunsford

**Administration**  
John Gurney

**Congregational Care & Welcome**  
Wes Ashworth

**Christian Education**  
Kevin Robinson

**Fellowship & Pastoral Care**  
Suzanne Dunn

**Property**  
Jim Barkley

**Meaningful Service**  
Linda Stamps

## CURRENT ELDER CLASSES

**Class of 2021**  
Wesley Ashworth, Suzanne Dunn,  
Kevin Robinson

**Class of 2022**  
Jim Barkley, John Gurney

**Class of 2023**  
Linda Stamps



## From the Pastor's Desk

When things go really wrong in our lives we say “my life is falling apart.” That’s what it feels like. When we regain the first little bit of control, we say “I’ve got to pick up the broken pieces.” But when everything has broken down, by itself, picking the pieces back up isn’t enough. We have to somehow put them back together again. Our post-Covid “lock down” lives will be kind of like that. We’ll have to put the scattered pieces back together. Using this metaphor of a puzzle, I’ve been thinking about the reality of rebuilding our daily lives and some suggestions.

Imagine we’ve got these scattered pieces before us, now what?

- First, I think we have to have an idea of what we want and expect our “puzzle” to look like. Maybe we’ve got the box of our past to look at; but maybe we’ve lost it. Still we need to have the picture in our mind or we’ll just flounder.
- Once we have the picture, where do we start? Usually with the edges. We can find the edges. The edges that frame our picture are a good place to start.
- Once we’ve figured out the edges, we still have to get the middle done. The middle is usually more difficult. We have four sides to fit together. Each piece is a part of our puzzle. Once we know where the piece should fit, we have to figure out how to orient the different curvy edges so they fit together. Remembering where we are headed; remembering step one, how we intend the finished picture to look, is the primary thing we have to rely on.
- Sometimes the pieces don’t go where we thought they should. Sometimes the curvy parts look right, but they aren’t. We may be able to force them together, but it will end up messing up the rest of the puzzle. We’ll have to choose whether to give up or take out the wrong piece and search for the right one.
- You know how puzzles are, especially the complicated ones. (Our lives are always complicated.) And we may get close to the end and discover that some of the pieces are missing. No doubt we’ll be frustrated. We may even be angry. We may wonder if it was worth all the hard work we put in without the pieces we expected being there.

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Pastor Mark Wright  
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## ~ THE WORLD OF PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN ~



The next **Presbyterian Women's Coordinating Team** meeting will be Sunday, June 6, immediately following worship.

The Day Circle's next meeting is Tuesday, June 8, at 10am at the church. The current study is called *"Into the Light: Finding Hope Through Prayers of Lament"*. Next lesson information is below.

**As always, all women are invited to attend. You do not have to be a member.**

**Lesson:** Lesson 9, and the final lesson in this book, is titled The End of Lament found on page 83.

**Scripture:** Isaiah 25:6-10; Revelations 21:1-8

**Focus:** God: One day there will be no more death, tears, lament. To lament is to affirm trust

If you have any questions or would like to know more about Presbyterian Women, contact Mary Ann Epperson at 901-218-5851 or [maryannepp@att.net](mailto:maryannepp@att.net).

*Summer Break*

PW DAY CIRCLE BIBLE STUDY

June's gathering is the last until September. Stay tune and watch for details on the starting date and possible day/time change.

BIBLE STUDY

**MORE INFO TO COME!**

### ~ PASTOR'S DESK

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In that case, what comes to my mind is that it doesn't have to be perfect to be beautiful and satisfying. A few holes don't ruin everything. They're probably to be expected. They're probably not even your fault -not everything is. They're not worth fretting over or feeling like we've failed. We had a goal. We had a challenge. We took it up. We worked hard and had to figure out a lot of stuff.

Even if it's not perfect in the end, stand back and take a look. The puzzle of our lives is back together again. It's beautiful.

Blessings  
Mark <><



(L to R) Becca Schumacher, Martha Garner, and Pastor TroyAnn Pouloupoulos

*A special thank you to some members from Epiphany Lutheran for bringing color and life back into our planters. They look beautiful!*



## ~ MEANINGFUL SERVICE ~



### LUNCH MINISTRY

Whether you prepared entire lunches, sandwiches, dropped off snack items, or donated clothes, each part comes together to make an impact on someone in need.

**Volunteers are needed to help delivery lunches.** Everything is packed and ready to pick up the morning of delivery. All you have to do is stop by the church, pick them up, and drop them off.

**Our next day to provide lunches is July 6.** If you'd like to help by providing complete lunches, other items, or delivering, please contact Meredith Hall at [mtm352000@yahoo.com](mailto:mtm352000@yahoo.com) or call the church office at 901.853.4226.



### CLOTHING DONATIONS

Have you noticed all the clothing items being donated? It's been wonderful! We get frequent calls from the community wanting to know what items they can donate. So keep spreading the word there are ways they can help our neighbors in need. Below is of items needed. Reading glasses are a great donation!

- Women's t-shirts, sizes XL and up.
- Jeans, men and women
- Women's underwear, all sizes
- Sports bras for women all sizes
- Men's underwear, boxers or boxer briefs if possible
- Men's t-shirts, especially extended sizes 2x and up
- Shoes (casual, sneakers, working boots, etc.)
- **Reading glasses**

***\*Constance Abbey does not need suits or dressier attire and shoes for their closet. They need every day attire and shoes.***



### MANNA BAG PROJECT

The manna bags we place on the table by the coffee counter are for YOU to pick up and keep in your car. Make it special by adding a note. When you see a person in need, hand it to them with the love of Christ.

We don't have many bags left and need to replenish our supply. Below is a list of suggested items needed. Could you grab an item or two while shopping? If so, donations can be placed in the grey bins on the right when entering the church.

If you ever ask how can these little bags be that much help, imagine the feeling of just being able to clean up or change socks. A homeless man once said that it's more than the food items. Just being able to wash and shave gives back some of his dignity. All of that in a little bag.

- Washcloth, socks
- Sunscreen, lip balm
- Travel size toiletries: shampoo, soap, deodorant, toothbrush, toothpaste, comb
- Bottled water, juice boxes
- Adhesive bandages (first aid items)
- Nail clippers
- Fruit cups, applesauce
- Snack size food items: raisins, nuts, trail mix,
- jerky, peanut butter crackers, granola bars
- Canned or pouches of meat/tuna (cans need to be pop top)
- Hard candies or mints

**WE ARE  
BLESSED  
TO BE A  
BLESSING  
TO OTHERS.**

## MEMORIALS & HONORARIUMS



*In Memory of  
Our Loving Mother,  
Jo Hall,  
by  
Meredith Hall  
Melanie Ortega  
Teresa Cunningham*

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you would like to provide flowers for the Sanctuary, please sign up on the sheet located on the coffee counter. Please note if the flowers are placed in memory or honor of someone, or celebrating a special event. If you have any questions, contact Linda at the church office. You may provide your own flowers or the church can make the purchase for \$20.



## SANCTUARY HELPER

Do you have a few minutes after church to share? A volunteer (or more) is needed to go through the pews:

- Pick up trash items
- Replace pencils as needed
- Replenish offering envelopes and other cards
- Check registration pads.
  - Turn into the office any sheets with information.
  - Replace with new pads as needed.
  - Ensure pencil is inside.
- Straighten up as needed

It seems like a lot but it really doesn't require much time. Contact Linda at the office if you can help!

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

*as off May 28, 2021*

YTD Tithes & Offerings Rc'd:	\$32,686
YTD Tithes & Offerings Bdgt:	\$53,996
<b>YTD Total:</b>	<b>\$21,311</b>
YTD Income:	\$58,390
YTD Expenses:	\$56,441
<b>YTD Net Ordinary Income:</b>	<b>\$1,949</b>

*Parenthesis indicate negative number.*

## BOXES AND BINS NEEDED



Some medium size packing boxes and a few storage bins (not the extra large totes) are needed. We will be going through the rooms cleaning out items that aren't used and can be donated, stored, or tossed. If you have some you can donate, please put them in the room on the left next to the kitchen.

## HELPING OUR SCOUTS GROW



Scouts BSA (Boy Scouts of America) Troop 65 and Cub Scouts Pack 65 are not separate from CPC but are considered a ministry of CPC.



In July, three boys will cross over from Cub Scouts to Scouts reducing their members to two. To maintain their charter, four members are required. If the Pack doesn't have a total of four members by December, they will not be able to recharter and the church will lose the pack charter. Let's help keep this ministry alive. If you have a child or know of one in grade 1 through 4, please share David Whittaker's contact information:

David Wittaker  
CubMaster Pack 65  
Assistant ScoutMaster Troop 65  
colliervillepack65@gmail.com  
901-871-2698

Scout Oath: On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; to help other people at all times; to keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight.

## BUILDING USAGE

As we begin to meet and gather at the church more frequently, please check with the church office before planning an activity or meeting. This ensures your space is reserved and that others are aware of your presence eliminating interruptions.



*Congratulations*



*Mr. & Mrs. Scott Healy*



Dear Friend,

CAMP'S BACK ON! Thank God, our campers are coming back!



I can't tell you how great this feels - campers are excited, and some of our camps have waiting lists. We're following current Covid safety guidelines, and it looks like we will be able to open up more than we thought. Last year's Virtual Camp was great, but there's nothing like laughing and sweating together IN PERSON! True story: Remember that snow we had? Towards the end of it, one Mom signed up her two kids for 9 camps between them! She's ready!

We hope you're ready, too. We've got campers who are depending on camperships, and I hope you can help them make great memories and feel God's love. A **donation to our Send a Kid to Camp Scholarship Fund** answers that need. Here are some options for your giving:

- **MudPit Sponsor - \$5000**
  - Campers get good and sloppy every week. A surprisingly pricey piece of fun.
- **Cinnamon Roll Sponsor - \$2500**
  - Every week, our campers get our homemade cinnamon rolls with your compliments!
- **S'Mores Sponsor - \$2000**
  - Same with s'mores! They're the big finish at camp ending bonfire.
- **Lanyard Sponsor - \$1500**
  - What's camp without a lanyard? We're sure that lanyards make the world go 'round.
- **Send a Kid to Camp - \$30 - \$475**
  - Some need only canteen money, some need almost the total amount. Let's do this!
- **Choose your own - \$\_\_\_\_\_**
  - Have a favorite camp memory and want to make sure that happens. Or we can choose for you!

Thanks for making this happen. After last year, our kids really need to get back to camp where they can connect with friends, run and play in the great outdoors, become more independent, and experience God's boundless love.

You can send us a check to Pinecrest PO Box 36 LaGrange, TN 38046 OR donate online on our Support Us page at [www.camppinecrest.org](http://www.camppinecrest.org) OR call us at 901-878-1247

You're my hero. You make summer camp happen. Campers, their families, staff, volunteers, and I...we all thank you.

Peace and Grace to you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lucy", is written over the printed name.  
Lucy Cummings





## CAMP AND RETREAT CENTER

Summer Events 2021

### Little Explorers

One Friday Each Month 10-11:30 am

Mini-Adventures for you and your little one. Bring a picnic and stay after to play. Recommended ages 4-6.

Fri. June 18

**Spheres and Bubbles** - Find bubbles and other spheres in nature. Make a natural bubble blower, create bubble art, and form giant bubbles.

Fri. July 9

**Wild Tracks** - Learn about the animals of Pinecrest and explore the creek to find their tracks. Make a plaster print to take home. Bring water clothes and shoes!

Fri. August 13

**Water Babies** - Follow me to the cattails and frog calls; we're looking for water babies! Borrow a net and we'll look, listen, and make a splash! Bring water clothes and shoes!

\$6 per child. 1 adult helper free per child. Siblings welcome. \$6/Additional adults or siblings age 4 and up. Please RSVP prior to day of program if possible: 901-878-1247 or e-mail [charity@camppinecrest.org](mailto:charity@camppinecrest.org)

### Darkness 101: The Perils of Light Pollution

Presented by: Wolf River Conservancy Summer Lecture Series

Wednesday, June 16 6:30-7:30 pm (Virtual)

Charity Siebert, Program Director for Pinecrest Camp and International Dark Sky Advocate, will present "Darkness 101: Light Pollution and Its Impacts on Human Health, Ecology, and Climate."

Light pollution is a growing concern, with connections to conservation, climate change, and human health. As challenging as it is, light pollution is one of the easier environmental problems to address. Learn how the International Dark Sky Association is working to educate and make a change, how you can make an impact at your own home, and how to support the Dark Sky Project underway at Pinecrest Camp and Retreat Center in Fayette County.

Free. To register, visit: <https://wolfriver.org/default.aspx?p=129528&evtid=2062103:6/16/2021>

### Tennessee Naturalist Program

Begins August 16

Our mission is to teach Tennesseans about our natural world, inspire the desire to learn more, instill an appreciation of responsible environmental stewardship, and channel volunteer efforts toward education of the general public and conservation of Tennessee's natural resources.

Learn more and register at [www.tnnaturalist.org](http://www.tnnaturalist.org)

\$250. Registration is now open for the Memphis Chapter at Pinecrest. Space is limited.



BE THE

Light

PINECREST

SUMMER 2021



Scan with your phone  
for more information.





# BE THE Light

Everyone has something they are or do that is different than anyone else. It's their light to shine, given by God. We'll think about how God's light shines through us to help others find their light, too.

## 2021 SUMMER CAMPS

At **LIT CAMP**, high schoolers practice, create, learn, and connect. With lots of laughter, Leaders in Training find out how they can help younger campers have the times of their lives at Pinecrest. LITs can volunteer at least a week during the summer.

Sometimes, we just want a little **TASTE OF CAMP**. Only two nights, TOC helps campers feel more comfortable with sleeping away from home and trying out new things. They'll do all the camp-y things, just curated to deliver highlights. TOC happens during the first week so campers can register for other weeks if available.

**DISCOVERY CAMP** is what you expect camp to be. Recreation, activities, swimming, arts/crafts, biking, Bible study...this is the camp that feels most traditional. It's great fun, and our campers make great friends who catch up year after year. Regular 5 and new 3 night camps available for 2021.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL/HIGH SCHOOL CAMP** fills up really fast, and here's why: when they come in on Sunday, our campers get to decide as a group what activities and experiences they want during the week. Sleep in a day? Ok. Stay up all night? Sure. Swim twice a day? Why not? It's so much fun!

We started **THEATER CAMP** a couple of years ago to great success! Campers loved rehearsing and creating sets, etc. together during the day and hanging out and playing at night. It's intense, but at the end of the week, they produce an excellent show. Raejah Bratcher is back to direct!

We know it's hard to leave your littles at camp, so try **MINI-CAMP**. We focus on safety and helping them have successful first camp experiences. At the end of their time, many little campers can't wait to stay for a whole week! Parents are SO (pleasantly) surprised.

Have you tried **DANGEROUS CAMP**? Ok, really not that dangerous, but campers try things they don't usually try at home: woodworking, backcountry exploration, 'worst-case scenarios', and lots of other outdoor stuff with emphasis on safety. Campers enjoy building confidence and an enthusiastic sense of adventure.

**BEACH RETREAT** is a highschooler's dream camp. Hanging out on the Emerald Coast (AL/FL), campers spend the week sunbathing, cooking, playing, and talking about important stuff. These kids make some of the best friends they've ever had. Only 18 spots available.

The **OUTDOOR CHALLENGE CAMP** is our longest running camp and most high-adventure camp. We travel to E. TN and NC to rappel, cave, whitewater raft, and such. Adults who went on OC often tell us that it helped shape who they are today. Limited spots available.

**A word about registrations and safety:** due to current physical distancing and safety, we are taking a max of 56 campers per session. Our cabins will hold 3-4 campers and 1 counselor. We'll clean more often and be even more vigilant about health. If public health concerns ease, we may be able to accept more campers.

**WANT TO BE A SUMMER STAFFER?** Check out summer position descriptions on our website and apply at [Pinecrest.campbrainstaff.com](http://Pinecrest.campbrainstaff.com) or call 901.878.1247 with questions.

## REGISTRATION & PAYMENT

Realizing that families have different abilities to pay, Pinecrest offers a voluntary three-tier fee program. You know your family's financial situation better than we do. Simply choose the tier that is most suitable or comfortable for your family. All campers receive the same Pinecrest experience, no matter which amount you choose to pay. As you consider your family's financial situation, please also consider the true cost of camp.

For more information about the three tiers, please visit [www.CampPinecrest.org](http://www.CampPinecrest.org)

### Every Child Should Experience Camp

We believe that every child should experience the powerful impact that summer camp at Pinecrest provides, regardless of income. For this reason we also provide "Camperships" (our word for financial aid), so that no child is denied that experience because of financial hardship. If camp fees present a challenge for your family, please contact us at 901.878.1247 or email [lucygc@bellsouth.net](mailto:lucygc@bellsouth.net)

Reserve your summer camp spot now! Here's how:

Go to [www.CampPinecrest.org](http://www.CampPinecrest.org) to register online or to print off a full registration form

OR if you don't have Internet access, call us at **901.878.1247**

**Register through February 28, 2021  
and get a \$30 canteen credit (non refundable)**

CAMP	DATES	GRADES (complete)	TIER 1	TIER 2	TIER 3
Leaders in Training	6/6-11	9th-12th	\$450	\$485	\$520
Taste of Camp	6/6-8	K-2nd	\$275	\$300	\$325
Taste of Camp	6/9-11	3rd-4th	\$275	\$300	\$325
Discovery 5 nights	6/13-18 6/20-25	1st-6th	\$475	\$530	\$580
Mini-Camp	6/20-23	K-2nd	\$290	\$320	\$345
Discovery 3 nights	6/27-30 7/6-9	1st-6th	\$300	\$325	\$350
Middle/High	7/11-16	5th-12th	\$475	\$530	\$580
Beach Retreat	7/18-23	8th-12th	\$725	\$725	\$725
Dangerous Camp	7/18-23	3rd-7th	\$480	\$540	\$590
Outdoor Challenge	7/23-29	5th-9th	\$725	\$725	\$725
Theater	7/25-30	2nd-8th	\$480	\$540	\$590

*As Christians, specifically Presbyterians steeped in the Reformed Protestant faith, and as followers of Jesus who included all people in the realm of God, we welcome absolutely everyone to Pinecrest.*





☺ Birthday 🎂 Anniversary

# JUNE 2021

## Collierville Presbyterian Church



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Lunches for Constance Abbey ♦ Hopefuls AA (5:30pm)	2 ☺ Will Sweet	3 ☺ Ron Lunsford	4 ♦ Hopefuls AA (12pm)	5 ♦ Hopefuls AA (7pm)
6 2nd Sunday after Pentecost ♦ ELC Worship Service (9am) ♦ Coffee & Fellowship (10am) ♦ Communion Service (10:30am) ♦ Hopefuls AA (3pm) ☺ Lori Miller	7 ♦ Cub Scouts (6:30pm) ♦ Boy Scouts (7pm) ☺ Zoe Leake	8 ♦ PW Circle (10am) ♦ Hopefuls AA (5:30pm)	9	10	11 ♦ Hopefuls AA (12pm)	12 ♦ Hopefuls AA (7pm) ☺ Mark Wright
13 3rd Sunday after Pentecost ♦ ELC Worship Service (9am) ♦ Coffee & Fellowship (10am) ♦ Worship Service (10:30am) ♦ Hopefuls AA (3pm)	14 ♦ Cub Scouts (6:30pm) ♦ Boy Scouts (7pm) ♥ John & Amanda Gurney	15 ♦ Hopefuls AA (5:30pm) ☺ Ashley Wright	16	17	18 ♦ Hopefuls AA (12pm)	19 Juneteenth ♦ Hopefuls AA (7pm)
20 4th Sunday after Pentecost Summer Solstice ♦ ELC Worship Service (9am) ♦ Coffee & Fellowship (10am) ♦ Worship Service (10:30am) ♦ Hopefuls AA (3pm) ☺ Jonathan Sain <i>Happy Father's Day!</i>	21 ♦ Cub Scouts (6:30pm) ♦ Boy Scouts (7pm) ☺ Mike Kerr	22 ♦ Hopefuls AA (5:30pm) ♥ Chuck & Candy Nicholson	23 ☺ Tatum Sain	24 ☺ Ron Drewry	25 ♦ Hopefuls AA (12pm) ♥ Warner & Tingting Davis	26 ♦ Scouts Troop 65 Awards Ceremony (4:30pm) ♦ Hopefuls AA (7pm) ☺ Madeline Lunsford
27 5th Sunday after Pentecost ♦ ELC Worship Service (9am) ♦ Coffee & Fellowship (10am) ♦ Worship Service (10:30am) ♦ Hopefuls AA (3pm)	28 ♦ Cub Scouts (6:30pm) ♦ Boy Scouts (7pm) ☺ Suzi Arant	29 ♦ Hopefuls AA (5:30pm) ♥ Mike & Trish Kerr	30 ☺ Rita Riggins ♥ Mike & Susan Miller			