

## Single Vision JULY 2022 Newsletter

*“Welcoming all, presenting values based on the teachings of Christ”*

First Broad Street United Methodist Church, Church Circle, Kingsport, TN

*Most of us have relaxed our precautions against Covid, but we still need to be cautious and take appropriate action as needed. Vaccines and boosters still seem to be the most effective course of action, but many who have been vaccinated and boosted are getting mild or asymptomatic cases. For all Single Vision activities, if you are sick, have a fever, have recently tested positive for Covid, or have been in contact with someone with Covid, please stay home. There are many vulnerable among us, and we want to keep everyone safe.*

There are many special activities in July that you may wish to participate in; therefore, Single Vision will have fewer planned programs. We will not have any program on the Monday, July 4 holiday. Fun Fest will take place July 15 – July 23, and there will be no Single Vision planned activities.

### **Thurs., July 7, 6:30 PM-Putt-Putt, 346 W. Stone Drive at Teasel Drive**

Join hostess Joyce (423 245-7734) for a fun outing. A real bargain at \$3 for both courses. Stay later for cards.

### **Mon., July 11, 6:30 PM-Fellowship Hall/Parlor-Potluck Dinner and Presentation by Dr. Kellie Brown**

Dr. Brown, Chairman of the Music Department at Milligan College and assistant conductor of the Johnson City Symphony Orchestra, has done extensive research and written a book, **The Sound of Hope**, which bears witness to the power of music to uplift hearts and spirits during the darkest times. She will give examples from the Holocaust and WWII. Don't miss this! **Dinner:** Bring a food item to share. Coffee, tea and water will be provided. The program begins at 7:15. **Enter the church through the 1<sup>st</sup> door of the Fellowship Hall.**

### **Monday, July 25, 6:30 PM-Fellowship Hall/Parlor-“Manna Meal” Dinner and Program on “Manna Meal Ministries” with Marty Barkley and Carole Hubble**

Marty and Carole, participants of Single Vision, saw a need to help feed the homeless and financially disadvantaged people in the area. They began distributing meals to these people on a regular basis. They found the perfect vehicle for this ministry, dubbed the Manna Wagon, and the “Manna Meal Ministries” was officially begun. They will share their story and the effects of this ministry. You will have an opportunity to donate to this ministry if you wish. **Dinner:** Marty and Carole will prepare a ‘Manna Meal’ of sandwich, chips, fresh vegetables and dip, dessert and drink. **Cost: \$7.** Dinner reservations are needed by noon, Fri., July 22 (423 224-1502). The program begins at 7:15. **Enter the church through the first door of the Fellowship Hall**

### **Saturday, July 30, 1:00 PM-Bus Trip For Poolside Food, Fun and Fellowship at the home of Susanne Seiler (100 Bentwood Lane, Gray, TN) and Music at 6 PM at The Boones Creek Opry (632 Hales Chapel Rd., Gray)**

Depart the FBSUC **Wanola St.** parking lot at 1 pm. Susanne has invited us to her home to enjoy the afternoon in a bucolic setting of hay fields and hills. We can swim, wade, or just sit by the pool dipping our toes in the water. We can bask in the sun or sit under umbrellas and enjoy fellowship or games. Bring favorite games. If too hot, we can enjoy games and fellowship indoors. We will have some snacks (bring some if you wish). At 4 PM we will have meal of pork barbecue sandwich or chicken salad croissant, fresh garden vegetables, watermelon, lemonade and tea. We will leave at 5:30 for music at the Opry. **Cost: Bus \$2, Meal \$5, Opry \$2.** **Reservations** are needed for the bus and the meal. You may sign up Monday evenings or call Jane (423 246-1727). Back to Kingsport around 9 pm. Hosts: Susanne Seiler (423 647-1085) and John Powers (423 335-5697)

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**We need your help!** 1) set-up, clean-up, meal prep, etc. 2) planning committee-plan and/or host programs and activities, 3) be responsible for getting people to do devotions or do an occasional devotion, 4) host Tuesday evening Dinner and a Movie, 5) host afternoon walks, 6) assist with name tags and taking up dinner money. Thanks to all who have responded. We still can use more help. Planning Committee meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays at 10 AM (room 143 at church).

**This and That.** We welcome your input on programs, activities and meals and welcome those who would like to join the planning committee. Normal meeting times are 10AM on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays. Give Jane (423 246-1727) or John (johnpowers2@juno.com) your input. Most of all we encourage your presence on Monday nights and other planned activities.

*Meal-A-Month Program* The Planning Committee is aware that many members of Single Vision are on limited incomes and cannot always afford the \$7 meal costs and has recommended a program with funds donated by Single Vision participants. If you want to attend a meal but cannot afford it, you may be eligible for one meal/month depending on availability of funds. If you think you could spare \$7 occasionally to support this program, a basket will be available Mondays, with all funds going to this cause.

**\*\*Locked Door Policy**-With a new security system, most church doors are locked in the evenings. When we meet in the Fellowship Hall, enter through the 1<sup>st</sup> door of the Fellowship Hall. **Shades of Grace**-Indoor activities may still be closed because of the Covid pandemic, but “to go” meals are provided at their facility on Sullivan Street. They can use food such as fresh fruit (bananas, oranges, grapes, fruit cups) and individually packaged items such as chips, crackers, cookies, nutrition bars and other nonperishable items suitable for lunch or breakfast. Take to front door between 9 and 9:30 am and knock. Not sure when normal operations will resume. **Safe House**-Items needed are clothing for adult women, infants and children to age 10, socks and underwear; personal care items; bedding for single beds and cribs; paper products, etc. **Alcohol**-It is a Single Vision policy that alcohol will NOT be consumed at any Single Vision function. **Meal Policy**-Remember-meal reservations are binding and unless someone is available to take your reservation, you will be expected to pay. To cancel, call the 24-hour reservation line (423 224-1502) BY 8:30 AM Monday morning. If you learn after 8:30 that you cannot attend, call the church office (423 224-1502) to inform them, and we will try to fill your spot. \*\*\*Please notify a Single Vision contact to update your address and phone number, email, or to be removed from our mailing list. Contact Jane Adams (423-246-1727) or email johnpowers2@juno.com

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