

Single Vision October 2018 Newsletter

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

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

Greetings. As Covid cases decrease, we are beginning to open up with programs and meals at the church following church and CDC guidelines: Unvaccinated people should wear masks (except when eating or drinking) and maintain some physical distancing. For all Single Vision programs and activities, it goes without saying that if you are sick, have a fever, have tested positive for Covid, or have been in contact with someone with Covid, please stay home. Although cases are low, the virus is still out there. We want to keep everyone safe.

Monday, August 2, 6:30 PM-Potluck Picnic, Shelter 9, Eastman Bays Mountain Recreation Area

Let's try another potluck picnic. Bring a food item to share (with serving utensil) and a beverage for yourself. Ice and paper products will be provided. Feel free to bring your own meal if you prefer. For fellowship time, bring your musical instruments and favorite items for outdoor recreation activities, board and card games. SAFETY NOTE: Bring your masks. Masks are required when going to the bathroom or outside our shelter. Unvaccinated folks should wear masks except when eating or drinking. You may wish to bring a chair for extra seating or physical distancing.

Monday, August 9, 6:30 PM-Fellowship Hall-Dinner and Isaiah 117 House with Julie Dixon

The Isaiah 117 House, a caring place for children awaiting foster placement, has expanded in our area. Come learn more about the history, purpose and operation of this ministry and get an update on the Sullivan County facility. This is a much-needed ministry and Julie has stories to share. Want to help: Julie suggests donations of NEW shoes and clothing (infant to adult sizes), gift cards to retail stores (Walmart, Target, Old Navy, TJ Max, Kohl's, etc.) and fast-food restaurants (McDonald's, Chick-Fil-A, Little Caesar's, Burger King, etc.) Dinner: Summer salad plate (chicken, pasta, fruit), dessert and beverage. Cost: \$7. Reservations are needed by noon, Friday, August 6 (423 224-1502). The program begins at 7:15 and no reservations are needed for the program only. Enter the church through the 1st door of the Fellowship Hall

Monday, August 16, 6:30 PM-Restaurant Trip-Captain D's (1656 E. Stone Dr.)

As there are 5 Mondays in August, we decided to have a restaurant trip. Captain D's was suggested for good specials on Mondays. Meet at the restaurant at 6:30. Reservations are not required, but to ensure adequate seating, call Jane (423-246-1727) if you plan to attend. Thanks.

Thursday, August 19, 6:30 PM-Putt-Putt, 346 W. Stone Dr. at Teasel Drive

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

Saturday, August 21, 4:30 PM-Bus Trip to Big Stone Gap for Dinner and “Trail of Lonesome Pine” Outdoor Drama Depart the First Broad St United Methodist Church WANOLA St parking lot at 4:30 PM. Dinner will be on your own at the Four Seasons Restaurant in Big Stone Gap—Sample prices are \$12 and up for dinner, \$9 for main dish salads, \$7 for sandwiches and burgers, \$6-10 for combo sandwich, side, and drink. After a leisurely dinner, we will depart for the drama, which begins at 8. Cost for bus and drama-\$12. Sign up Mondays or call Jane (423 246-1727). Bus capacity, 15, Host: John Powers (423 335-5697) Return ~11PM

Monday, August 23, 6:30 PM-Fellowship Hall-Bring your own Dinner and Karaoke

Come for fun and an evening of belting out some of your favorite songs at Karaoke night. Even if you don't want to participate, come cheer on the folks who do. If you have music you can contribute to the collection, call John Powers (423 335-5697). Dinner: Bring your own. We are trying a new dinner plan, as the church no longer provides a meal, we are asking folks to bring their own meal once a month. We have done this with success at some of our picnics. We will provide drinks (water, tea, coffee). No reservations required. We welcome

your help and suggestions. The program begins at 7:15. **Enter the church through the 1st door of the Fellowship Hall

Monday, August 30, 6:30 PM-Greenbelt Walk (East Stone Commons-2003 N. Eastman Rd.) and Dinner at IHOP (1201 E. Stone Dr., beside Chick-Fil-A) Meet in the lower parking lot beside PetSmart near the Greenbelt sign for an approximate hour walk. After the walk meet at IHOP at ~7:45 for dinner. Join us for dinner if you do not wish to walk. In case of heavy rain or storms, meet at IHOP at 6:30. Call Jane (423 246-1727) if you know you plan to attend.

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 2nd Thursdays. Give Jane (423 246-1727) or Dave (daveredd@gmail.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 fixed incomes and cannot always afford the \$7 meal costs and recommended a program with funds donated by Single Vision participants. Persons in this category would be eligible potentially 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-All church doors will be locked at 6PM on Mondays. When we meet in the Fellowship Hall, enter through the 1st door of the Fellowship Hall. Shades of Grace-Drop by between 10AM and 4PM weekdays to help or visit with the people Shades of Grace serves and see what their needs are. Food donations of breakfast items including fresh fruits and vegetables during the summer months are appreciated. 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 (423 224-1500) 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 daveredd@gmail.com.

Due to the pandemic, Shades of Grace is not currently having meetings or meals in their facility on Sullivan Street. Therefore, we can defer food and clothing donations until they are able to take these items in the future.