A monthly newsletter of Marion United Methodist Church encouraging faith, love, and action.





Our cover this month is from VBS during June. We still have more fun for our children during July.

### Spanish Camp: July 12 and 14

Kids will not only learn to speak Spanish, but fun traditions, games, and even enjoy a yummy Spanish lunch. Grades K-3 will be held on Tuesday, July 12th, and grades 4-6 will be held Thursday, July 14.

### Cooking Camp: July 19 and 21

Some of MUMC's finest chefs will be on hand to help the kids make some tasty treats. Grades K-3 will be held Tuesday, July 19, and grades 4-6 will be held Thursday, July 21.





Serving in Worship This Month USHERS	
Ted Archer Les Callen	
Denny East	Jim Johnston
ACOLYTES	
3rd Lake	Laughter
Jackson Rawls	
10th Maso	on Hardke
Addi	Claire Schwartz
17th Troy	Cole
Davis	s Fowler
24th Hadi	ey Gill
Lexie	Claire Laughter
31st Katie	Wynn Entrekin
Sam Owen	

### **SUMMER FOOD DISTRIBUTION**



Our food pantry and summer food distribution is serving 21 families this summer. We are providing a food box containing a variety of canned vegetables, non perishables, breakfast and snack options. We also provide milk, eggs, cheese and meats.

We want to thank our dedicated volunteers who help with shopping, packing, and delivering.

We have 2 more distributions: July 8 and July 22. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Beverly Vaughn.

# Happy Birthday

(7/1) Bill Adams, Lynda Avery, Emily Burns (7/3) Melissa Sargent, Charles Stokes (7/4) Tyler Carey, Aiden Carey, Mary Peyton Bell, Whitten Morris, Don Nelson, Jr. (7/5) Susan Griffee, Leslie Brick (7/6) Kelly Fogleman (7/7) Elliot Allen, Kristen Catt, Lee Catt III, Alex King, Avery Knych (7/8) Laura Helms, Jack Gerrard (7/9) Mark Miller (7/11) Mickey Charlton (712) Marcia Sutton (7/16) Amy Henderson (7/17) Eme Claire Bius, Tony Gardner, Tammy Hale (7/18) Brian Doyle (7/20) Lisa Heath, Mike Sample, Kaleigh Busby (7/21) Alan Helms (7/23) Vickie Sample (7/24) Patricia Jones (7/26) Denny East, Meghan Fowler, Missy King (7/27) Lee Catt IV, Catherine Catt (7/28) Julie Burns, David Catt, Frank Harrison (7/29) Caroline Bernard, Taylor Conrad, Sam Stuckey, Stephen Jones

# **CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES**









The MUMC Children's department was on a roll for God during VBS this June. We averaged 45 in attendance each night and 10 volunteers. The Food Truck party was an awesome VBS series about celebrating God's provision for us. Our children were invited to pray as Jesus teaches us in Mathew 6:11, "Give us this day our daily bread." This prayer served as a reminder through the week that everything we have comes from GOD and that if we turn to him in prayer then he will meet our daily needs. The stage food truck "On a Roll," was led by our Top Chef and the crowd favorite DJ cupcake. Our chefs in attendance learned through music, Bible stories, science experiments, crafts, and games about multiple parables in the Bible where God provided for others. The children were also invited to share God's love through providing and caring for others. This week would not be possible without the volunteers, and for that, Michelle is extremely grateful for the individuals who committed to sharing God's love with our children. The kitchen crew filled all attendee's bellies each night with delicious food and family night concluded the week with Stumpy's BBQ truck on site. We will be starting to prepare for VBS 2023 this fall and look forward to another fun year of sharing God's love with our community.



















SOCCER CAMP: We have completed our soccer camp led by Luke Kennedy with assistance from Witt Kennedy, Ella Rivers Kennedy, Anna Wehrum, Donovan Doyle, Isabella Hinze and Miller Owen. We had two classes and a total of 33 children from grades K-6 attend our soccer camp. Both classes walked to Burnetti Field for some outside soccer action then returned to the church gym for lunch and inside lessons. Among other things, the children learned some basics needed for soccer and then Luke added in some fun games such as red light—green light.



### PROMOTION SUNDAY

The Children's Ministries promoted children to the next grade level on Sunday, June 12th. During the promotion our upcoming fourth graders received Bibles. This year we had 10 children receive the Spark Bible to be used in their new class.







## Spread the word!

Our preschool is now offering extended times. Children can arrive as early as 7:30 each day and stay until 4:00. For more information or to schedule a tour, please contact the preschool at 870-771-0064 or please contact our church office.

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#### **Church Office Hours**

Monday-Thursday (9:00-3:00); Friday (9:00-12:00)