

Cokesbury United Methodist Church

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Our Mission

To be a transformed and transforming community in Christ.

Our Vision

Change lives, ours and others'.

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Through Cokesbury Windows

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Tribute to Mother

Families celebrated Mother's Day last Sunday. I was happy as a mother and as a daughter at the same time. Flowers, cards, gifts, dinners, laughter, hugs, kisses ... What a wonderful occasion for us to express our love and appreciation for our mothers.

At the same time, I couldn't help but think about those who have lost their mothers, whether it was recent or a long time ago. My heart goes out to those who feel pain in their hearts, because they miss their mothers. Because mothers are precious (at least they are supposed to), their absence is more painful.

So below I quote a poem, "Missing You", that I found on a website:

Missing You

No words I write can ever say, how much I miss you everyday.

As time goes by the loneliness grows, how much I miss you, nobody knows.

I think of you in silence, I often speak your name.

But all I have are memories and a photo in a frame.

No one knows my sorrow. No one sees me weep.

But the love I have for you, is in my heart to keep.

I've never stopped loving you – I know I never will.

Deep inside my heart, you are with me still.

Heartaches in this world are many, but mine is worse than any.

My heart still aches as I whisper low,

"I love you and miss you so."

The things we feel so deeply are often the hardest to say.

But I just can't keep quiet anymore, so I'll tell you anyway.

There is a place in my heart, that no one else can fill.

I love you so, my precious mother

... and I always will!

May God fill all your hearts with comfort and gratitude, as you celebrate or remember your mothers, and as we dedicate ourselves to be mothers (and fathers) to those who don't have any.

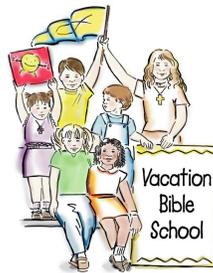
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- Ed & Diane Bolster, Bill & Gwen Coulter, and Deanna Reed gave gifts to the Budget Fund in memory of **Rachel Cox**.
- Phil & Marta Cox gave a gift to the Memorial Fund in memory of **Rachel Cox** and **Kathy Cannon**.
- Joyce Dear, Dr. & Mrs. Gene Dickerson, and Eric & Allison Hoffman gave gifts to the Memorial Fund in memory of **Rachel Cox**
- Bill & Gwen Coulter gave a gift to the Missions Fund in memory of **Sandy Fowler** and **Bobbie DeViney**.
- Dan & Kay Dumas, Mary Freeman, Mitchell & Judy Hagler, Tom & Mickey Helms, and Pat McKenzie gave gifts to the UMW Fund in memory of **Rachel Cox**.
- Floyd & Irma Fike gave a gift to the Budget Fund in memory of **Sandy Fowler** and **Bobbie DeViney**.
- Mitchell & Judy Hagler gave gifts to the UMYF Fund in memory of **Sandy Fowler** and to the Budget Fund in memory of **Kathy Cannon**.
- Dot Hailey gave a gift to the Memorial Fund in memory of **Sandy Fowler** and **Bobbie DeViney**.
- Deanna Reed gave a gift to the Budget Fund in memory of **Margaret Glasscock**.
- Ray & Karen Saito gave a gift to the Budget Fund in memory of **Sandy Fowler**.
- Flo Sowell gave a gift to the Budget Fund in honor/memory of **all mothers**.
- Louise Ward gave a gift to the Missions Fund in memory of **Rachel Cox**.
- Carrie Winkler gave a gift to the Budget Fund in memory of **Bobbie DeViney**.



To Dennis Cannon and his family at the loss of his wife, Kathy, who passed away April 29.



By Tammy Gilmore

The 2018 Vacation Bible School (July 9-12 from 2:00-4:00 p.m.) needs you to start saving the following for our *Going Green for Jesus* activities: empty toilet paper and paper towel rolls, plastic caps from any size bottles, empty plastic water bottles, empty K-cups or Keurig coffee cups (small). We may need a few other items once we finalize our projects. Please save these items and we will put out a collection box after Mother' Day. We will stop collecting these items around July 4. Please also consider volunteering for this fun and exciting event. We will be in touch soon with more details. Remember the 3 R's: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.

60th Anniversary

By Bobbi Abele

Our 60th anniversary celebration is just five months away. We are planning to send out *Save the Date* cards next month and need your help with addresses for your children, grandchildren, and friends who have attended Cokesbury. Deadline to submit addresses to Joan is June 3. Thank you very much!

Collection for Charlotte Rescue Mission

By Ed Bolster

The United Methodist Men are collecting the following items for the Charlotte Rescue Mission during the month of May: disposable razors, bar soap, and regular size toothpaste. Thank you for helping to fill the bin!

Prime Timers

By Kay Dumas

The Prime Timers are pleased to have Rev. Debbie Grosch share a meaningful and enjoyable message with them on **Thursday, May 24 at 11:00 a.m.** Following the program they will enjoy a time of food and fellowship. No reservation necessary – lunch is only \$6.



By Bruce Fowler

Camp Tekoa Family Camp

August 31 - September 3

For registration, contact Bruce Fowler at Church on Sundays or call 704 578-4466 or email brucemfowler@gmail.com.

*Do not miss this time of fellowship at
Camp Tekoa!*



Music at Cokesbury

Thursday, May 17

7:00 p.m.

Featuring The Beacons (Blue Grass Gospel)

Hot Dog Supper begins at 6:00 p.m.

Only \$4.00



**Please wear red for Pentecost,
Sunday, May 20!**