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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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A Way Forward Resource

As I have told you before, there will be a special called General Conference on February 23-26, 2019 in St. Louis, MO. Its sole purpose is to deliberate on human sexuality and the future of the denomination. As a delegate to the 2016 General Conference, I will have the privilege to take part in it. Our Bishop is encouraging all the congregations to engage in the dialogue. He says that the more opportunities a congregation has to engage in hard conversations in a safe environment, the stronger their bond gets. I believe Cokesbury is one of those congregations that have been in conversations about difficult topics and therefore have strong bonds among members. If not, let us start doing it. I invite all of you to pray for the General Conference's deliberation and for our dialogues. More specific plans for conversations will be shared with you later. For now, I am happy to share with you a resource provided by our District. Please feel free to ask me questions or to make comments. Thank you.

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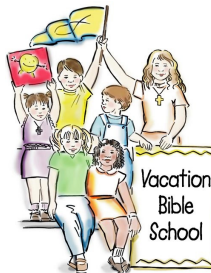
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- Bill & Gwen Coulter gave a gift to the Missions Fund in memory of Jeff Hargett and Kathy Cannon.
- Dan & Kay Dumas and the Saints & Sinners Class gave gifts to the UMAR fund in memory of Sandy Fowler.
- Floyd & Irma Fike gave a gift to the Memorial Fund in memory of Kathy Cannon and Rachel Cox.
- Tom & Mickey Helms gave a gift to the Budget Fund in memory of Jeff Hargett and Jong Jin Kim.
- Pat McKenzie gave a gift to the Budget Fund in memory of Jeff Hargett and LyKenya Thomas.
- Deanna Reed gave a gift to the Budget Fund in memory of Kathy Cannon.
- Ray & Karen Saito gave a gift to the Memorial Fund in memory of Jeff Hargett, LyKenya Thomas, and Jong Jin Kim.
- Martha Simpson gave a gift to the Memorial Fund in memory of Jeff Hargett.
- Judy Sims gave a gift to the Budget Fund in memory of Jeff Hargett and Kathy Cannon.



To Dan & Joan Hargett at the loss of their son, Jeff, on May 19.
To Ethel Thomas at the loss of her granddaughter, LyKenya Thomas, on May 20.
To Hee-Soo Kim and Pastor In-Yong and their family at the loss of Hee-Soo's father, Jong Jin Kim, on May 22.



By Tammy Gilmore

Items currently needed for the 2018 Vacation Bible School are: newspapers, yarn for hair, plastic and metal caps and lids of all sizes, ANY size plastic bottles, empty cardboard paper rolls from toilet paper, paper towels, and wrapping paper. Please take off labels, if possible. Also needed are gently used plastic tablecloths to be used as drop cloths for painting projects.

On Thursday, July 12 from 2:00-4:00 p.m., please join us in the Fellowship Hall for the final day of Cokesbury's *Going Green for Jesus Vacation Bible School*. We will start with a short skit "In

Gods Name” followed by a speaker from the Reedy Creek Nature Museum. Tracy, a naturalist, will share on Woodland Critters. Then we will have a delicious Ice Cream Sundae Bar. Volunteers are needed for the skit and clean-up. To volunteer, contact Tammy Gilmore at 704 488-5395 or email dhuwary@gmail.com.

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!

Paper Products for UMAR

By Kay Dumas

On Sunday, June 3, please bring paper products for UMAR and leave them in the box in the narthex. Paper products needed are: paper towels, toilet tissue, Kleenex, plates, napkins.



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!