

**Guiding To and Growing Through the Christian Life**

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Sunday Worship Schedule:

8:30am Worship Service with Communion  
9:30am Sunday School for all ages  
10:30am Family Worship Service

On line worship:

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/avonmumc](http://www.facebook.com/avonmumc)  
YouTube: [www.youtube.com/avonmumc](http://www.youtube.com/avonmumc)

“Before and after!” This sounds like a TV commercial that describes the great difference between before and after using its product. Every day, we encounter these kinds of commercials that emphasize “before and after.” As we celebrate Pentecost Sunday on June 8<sup>th</sup>, I would like to mention the Bible story of “before and after.”



Before Pentecost, the disciples were dense, timid bumbler who locked themselves in the upper room. But afterwards, they became fearless religious leaders. They healed the sick and cast out demons. Before experiencing the Holy Spirit on Pentecost, Peter had denied Jesus three times and ran away from him. But afterwards, he fearlessly witnessed about Jesus Christ and died a martyr.

How could Peter change his personality? The Holy Spirit enabled him to willingly suffer with Jesus so that he could be glorified with Jesus. When Peter lived with the Holy Spirit, he was moved to fulfill his Christian faith.

There are also big differences in our lives between before and after experiencing the Holy

Spirit. Before receiving the Holy Spirit, we were not very kind to others. But afterwards, we include and accept others as friends. We did not have joy in our lives. But now, we have the joy that God gives us because we have confidence for eternal life.

We criticized each other and hated each other. But afterwards, we forgive each other and love each other. We were not willing to spend our time, energy, and money for our church. But afterwards, we are joyfully dedicating ourselves to the church. This is a miracle of the Holy Spirit. Before and after, there are a lot of changes.

Do you want to change yourself positively? Do you want to live a joyful life that God gives to you? Then, open your hearts and let the Holy Spirit come into you and live with you. After that, you will enjoy the fruit of the Holy Spirit, which is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control” (Galatians 5:22-23). Happy Pentecost!

Sungmu Lee

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## "OUR HERITAGE" FIRST FRIDAY POTLUCK LUNCH Friday, June 6 at noon

Potluck lunch traditionally provides a great variety of dishes that we get to sample at our First Friday pot luck lunches.

We are hoping to make this especially scrumptious by asking everyone to **bring something that comes from their heritage, their family's history and country of origin.** This should provide a wonderful variety of foods for us all to sample. Please provide a card with the name of the dish and country of origin. (Cards will be made available.)

We also encourage all to bring any items that are representative of their heritage and/or culture for a display for all to view. Hope to see you all there to share and learn about each other's heritage.



Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup> will be last day of Sunday School.

Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup> will be the first Sunday of our summer schedule of one service at 9:30.

Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> is UMARMY Sunday.

Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> will be Vacation Bible Camp Sunday.

We will return to two services at 8:30 and 10:30 on Sunday, September 14<sup>th</sup>.

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual  
**CAR SHOW**  
**Saturday, June 14**  
**11-3**  
(Rain date: 6/21)



Please help us spread the word!! Would love to have a great display of cars!!

Invite friends, family and neighbors to join you to enjoy viewing the cars and welcoming participants. Enjoy coffee, hot dogs, chips and beverages. Donate your dollars and receive tickets for the opportunity to win prizes donated by local merchants. Seeking volunteers to man our tables, help with cooking and just be a presence to welcome all to the show!!! In our new red shirts!!

Seeking prizes – please contact John Perotti at [jbdeper@aol.com](mailto:jbdeper@aol.com) if you would like to donate a basket, gift card etc.



**SEEKING  
GRADUATE  
INFORMATION**  
Education Committee

We would love to celebrate your academic accomplishments and share with the congregation. If you are a recent high school graduate (or a member in your family), please send information, including the name of the high school and future plans, along with a class or similar picture (can be scanned and returned).

We would also appreciate information on any recent college degrees. Please contact Kay Hunter via [the online form](#).

High school graduates will be honored on **Sunday, June 8** including a special cake for Fellowship Hour.



**WOMEN OF  
FAITH & FUN  
PSALMS STUDY**  
Chris Calandriello

We continue our study of PSALMS on Saturday mornings 10:30-11:30 in Parlor and on Zoom. All women are invited to participate. Led by Chris Calandriello. No study book is necessary, but good to have a Bible at hand. The two books I am using for leadership are Dietrich Bonhoeffer's book, Psalm: The Prayer Book of the Bible, with a new introduction by Walter Brueggemann, and Understanding the Psalms, by John H. Hayes.

**CHURCH WIDE MISSION  
PROJECT "DIAPER DRIVE"**

Laura Gorden, Contact via [the online form](#)

Our month long "Diaper Drive" for the Diaper Bank of Connecticut continues until June 18 with a blessing of the diapers on Sunday, June 22. Delivery date to the CT Diaper Bank will be the week of June 22. Diapers can be dropped off in the back of the sanctuary on Sunday or anytime you may be at the church during the week. Monetary donations can be made by cash or check with a notation "for diaper drive".



The Diaper Bank of CT has distributed more than 31 million free diapers to poor and low-income families through its extensive Diaper Distribution Network (DDN) of more than 100 agencies throughout CT. The Diaper Bank collects diapers and cash donations from individuals, corporations, foundations and other sources for the bulk purchase and distribution of diapers.

To check Diaper Facts and Stats in CT and get more info about the diaper bank, visit <https://thediaperbank.org/>

## MUMC MISSIONS AT WORK

Laura Gorden, Committee Chair

Contact via [the online form](#)

**The next Winsted meal preparation will be on June 7.** I need one person at 8 AM to help prepare the meal and two or three additional people at 9:30 to help fill the takeout food containers. It is always appreciated if someone would help wash the dishes and cleanup the kitchen at 10 AM or volunteer to deliver the meals to Winsted. Please contact me if you are willing to help at any of the times needed for this mission project.

**Please help keep our food pantry stocked by bringing non-perishable food items** to be dropped off in the blue bin located outside the kitchen. If you would prefer to make a monetary donation to the missions committee, notated for food pantry, I am willing to do the shopping.

### **Most useful food pantry donations:**

#### **No more Mac & Cheese or Green Beans needed (not popular items)**

Canned vegetables (corn, carrots, peas, peas & carrots, sweet potatoes, mixed)

Boxed milk or Powdered milk

Cereal/Instant Oatmeal

Pasta sauce and pasta

Soups/beef stew

Canned fruits

Tuna/salmon

Canned meats/chicken, beef, spam

Rice/rice cups

Beans/black, red, navy, baked

Fresh produce/potatoes, squash, apples, oranges

Peanut butter/Jelly

Pancake mix/syrup

Coffee/Tea/Hot Chocolate

Oil (vegetable, canola, olive)

Salt & Pepper Sugar/Flour

Cake & Cookie mixes/frosting

Dish detergent

Personal hygiene products

#### **Easy open (no can opener required) items:**

Fruit cups/Pudding cups

Tuna in a pouch

Single serve soups & pastas

Protein bars



## THE OTHER GOOD BOOK GROUP

[Contact: Heather Kelsey,  
hrmkels@aol.com,  
(860) 670-1163]

Our June title takes us to 15th century China through the eyes of Lisa See's novel, *Lady Tan's Circle of Women*. "According to Confucius, 'an educated woman is a worthless woman,' but Tan Yunxian—born into an elite family, yet haunted by death, separations, and loneliness—is being raised by her grandparents to be of use. Her grandmother is one of only a handful of female doctors in China, and she teaches Yunxian the pillars of Chinese medicine, the Four Examinations—looking, listening, touching, and asking—something a man can never do with a female patient.

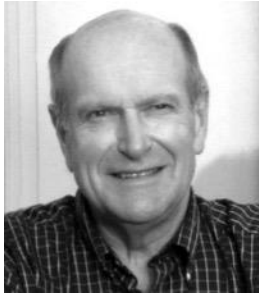
From a young age, Yunxian learns about women's illnesses...alongside a young midwife-in-training, Meiling. The two girls find fast friendship and a mutual purpose...and they vow to be forever friends, sharing in each other's joys and struggles...But when Yunxian is sent into an arranged marriage, her mother-in-law forbids her from seeing Meiling and from helping the women and girls in the household. Yunxian is to act like a proper wife—embroider bound-foot slippers, recite poetry, give birth to sons, and stay forever within the walls of the family compound, the Garden of Fragrant Delights.

How might a woman like Yunxian break free of these traditions and lead a life of such importance that many of her remedies are still used five centuries later?...A captivating story of women helping each other, *Lady Tan's Circle of Women* is a triumphant reimagining of the life of one person who was remarkable in the Ming dynasty and would be considered remarkable today." [goodreads.com]

Our discussion will be held **Sunday, June 15th at 7pm**. We will meet in the Parlor and on Zoom and all are welcome!



## MUMC FAMILY NEWS.....



Walt Sargent of Farmington CT passed away at home on Saturday, May 10. Walt and Sandy raised their children Rob and Betsy in Farmington and at Memorial. Walt served for over 20 years as the MUMC Treasurer retiring in 2024. Walt also served as

the coordinator of the Men's monthly breakfast. When held on site at the church, Walt was more often than not the cook of the breakfast casseroles, many times including some venison.

Walt will be remembered fondly for his wisdom and his commitment to MUMC. We extend our sympathies and love to Sandy and their family.

[Walter Sargent Obituary | May 10, 2025 | Hartford Courant](#)

## RECOGNITION OF SERVICE

We are proud to share that on May 16, MUMC's Jean Pickens and Ida Franklin were among 12 who were recognized by HOPE (formerly Farmington Services for the Elderly) for their service to our community.

"In recognition and appreciation of your outstanding contributions and service to Helping Others Prosper Everyday in Farmington / Unionville" Congrats to both on this well deserved recognition.



## REMEMBERING THOSE WHO HAVE TROUBLE GETTING OUT

A card would be so appreciated.

Judy C.  
The Residence at  
Brookside  
117 Simsbury Rd.  
Avon, CT 06001

Katie M.  
11 Briarwood Road  
Farmington, CT 06032

Bob E.  
Farmington Station  
111 Scott Swamp Rd.  
Room 251  
Farmington, CT  
06032

Adva V.  
10 Chelsea Place  
Avon, CT 06001

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS



"Happy Birthday!" to the following people who are celebrating birthdays this month.

Tina Tardiff  
James Kennedy  
Courtney Robinson  
Becca Hallock  
Ruthellen Corbett  
Jeff Notestine  
Ashley Arnold Rau  
Maribel Corbett

Lea Johnson  
Mandy Roberts  
Heather Kelsey  
Dawn Giese  
Jeff Tremback  
Christin Daley  
Nicole Gregory

## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

"Happy Anniversary" to the following people who are celebrating anniversaries this month.

Mark & Courtney Borenstein  
John and Bev Perotti  
Nat and Kim Brinn

If you would like your special day(s) added to newsletter and/or bulletin insert, please notify the church office at [avonmumc@gmail.com](mailto:avonmumc@gmail.com)



## MUMC MEMORIAL GARDEN

May 2025 Update

The Committee has contracted for irrigation and maintenance with Grasshelper. In addition, we have ordered and planted sunpatien annuals and rosebushes, cleaned up the entire Garden area, cut low hanging tree limbs, fertilized roses, and top-dressed mulched areas at our Spring Cleanup and continuing into the following weeks as needed. We also will contact our arborist to prune the three trees in the center circle area, as well as those that line the south driveway from West Avon Road all the way down to the Garden area. Then from June through September, Gardeners will take responsibility singly or in pairs for the weekly weeding, spraying, deadheading, and other routine maintenance to ensure that the Garden always looks its best.

Planned special activities include individual memorial services for departed members, installing nameplates for the deceased on our Memorial stones, and holding a Service of Remembrance in the Garden in September, in conjunction with a special Sunday service in the Sanctuary that same morning.

Online Directory updates are continual as new information is gathered. Please alert of phone preferences or email addresses. Always a need for new photo of families whose children are grown so much since their directory photo. They should be sent to Linda Kime by text 860-305-0526 or email [lmk318@aol.com](mailto:lmk318@aol.com)



## MUMC “AWARDS” DINNER

September 15

The Guiding and Growing Committee is planning an awards dinner to honor and celebrate our many dedicated volunteers who serve our church and the community with their time and efforts, often behind the scenes. The dinner will take place on Friday September 19 at our regularly scheduled 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday Potluck dinner.

Please help us by suggesting award categories and sending nominations. Both can be sent to Krista Kennedy via [the online form](#).

Examples of award categories include: most meals cooked, most committees served, best technology support, most pumpkin bread baked, etc. Please join us in celebrating our dedicated volunteers who make MUMC great!

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## KEEP US INFORMED FOR PASTORAL CARE

Just a reminder that if you should hear of someone from the congregation who is ill or has another need for pastoral care, please **notify the church office** who will share the info with the **Pastor and Pastoral Care Committee**.

Too often we all think someone else has passed on this information especially to the Pastor and that is not always the case. Better to get several messages than none. Thanks for your help in keeping us all informed and able to keep all in prayer.

*“We are God’s hands  
and God’s arms for  
those in need of comfort.”*

## MUMC TREASURER'S REQUEST

David Gorden ([dtgorden@outlook.com](mailto:dtgorden@outlook.com))

To make my job as treasurer more efficient I ask that all requests for payment be made by using the **MUMC Receipt for Expenses** form which can be found in a folder on the table at the landing between the sanctuary and the church office. If there is a receipt, please include it with the form. The form must be approved by the Committee Chair or Committee Treasurer, if there is one, in order to be paid. The completed form can either be e-mailed to me at [dtgorden@outlook.com](mailto:dtgorden@outlook.com) or put in my mailbox located outside the church office.



## UPDATE FROM YOUR FINANCE COMMITTEE

Hello Folks,

As of the end of April, we find ourselves at a critical point in the year, financially speaking. While our giving has exceeded our budget expectations, thanks to your continued generosity, our expenses have also exceeded our budget expectations. Just as you at home have experienced the pain of rising costs of goods and electricity, so has MUMC. You may recall that our budget this year is not a balanced budget, and as such relies on either receiving or earning additional income and/or looking for cost savings throughout the year. We also have carry-over income from last year to help buffer the storm.

As of the end of April, MUMC's year to date income is \$86,909.65. Our expenses were \$101,462 for a net income of -\$14,552.35. This negative net income has been offset by our carry-over amount from last year of approximately \$30,000. I say that this is a critical point because at this rate, our overall budget will become negative and we may need to tap into our reserve funds. We ask our congregation to consider this in your giving going forward. We know that giving to pay electricity, gas bills, lawn maintenance, and salaries may not be as rewarding as giving for missions such as the food pantry, UM Army, fuel banks, or any of our many other mission initiatives, but it is just as essential. Keeping the lights on and the bills paid lets us do more mission work to help others. This congregation has shown their generosity in so many ways. Where this has been a need, it has been met. Please consider contributions to our general fund a need as well.

Yours in Christ,  
Krista Kennedy  
MUMC Finance Chair

## PEDALS FOR PROGRESS/ SEWING PEACE

Anne Fitzgerald

Many of you know I collect bicycles and sewing machines for third world countries through Pedals for Progress ([www.p4p.org](http://www.p4p.org)). Normally, with volunteers' help, I would be having an actual collection day in September but my schedule is not permitting me to do that this year so I have postponed it until September 2026.

In the meantime, however, I am collecting sewing machines year round, and in June I am making a concerted effort to advertise that fact. Sewing Peace is part of Pedals for Progress. I will deliver them to High Bridge, NJ this summer when I head down that way to visit relatives.

If you, a family member or friend is ready to part with their sewing machine, please contact me for more details and to arrange pick up. Thank you!







## THURSDAY LUNCH BUNCH

Lunch Bunch is a casual get together of MUMCers in Fellowship Hall every Thursday at noon (except week of First Friday Potluck Lunch).

Although we seem to have a core group, our numbers change from week to week. We share stories, memories and even discuss current affairs a bit. We share happy news and concerns.

Recently Bruce Corbett invited us to his home to enjoy the daffodils and other flowers blooming in his yard. Both times we enjoyed good fellowship and friendship and even the presence of our beloved Ruthellen. Thank you Bruce for your generosity. We look forward to doing this again in the future.

Always lively conversation and fellowship. Won't you join us? Just pack up your own lunch and beverage. Coffee and tea are available.







## GUIDING & GROWING GROUP

Kay Hunter

Although a small group, we of Guiding & Growing are continuing our efforts and commitment to regrow and strengthen MUMC. We continue the planning of events for our members' enjoyment, but also to bring folks from our communities to MUMC where they can experience our fellowship and friendship and hopefully bring them to worship with us and to discover, grow and/or strengthen their relationship with Jesus Christ.

The success of these events depends on all of us by volunteering, attending and inviting friends and neighbors to join you.....

Sat 6/14	11-3	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Car Show
Fri. 6/21	5:30 pm	Third Friday Potluck Supper

Other events in the works: Talcott Mountain Celebrate America Concert, Yard Goats Game, Ice Cream Social, Worship and Picnic at Sycamore Park in Avon,

We welcome suggestions, ideas and of course *volunteers* to help organize these events. We hope you will join us in this adventure!!

Also you are welcome to join us for our next planning meeting, Tuesday, June 24 at 7 pm in the Parlor or on Zoom.



## BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP VISION, PURPOSE

Allen Nixon

Contact via [the online form](#)



Everyone grieves differently and in their own way, and your grief will vary from day to day. There is no simple answer or definitive process for your grief, but know that you are not alone. This is the fundamental benefit of MUMC's Bereavement Support Group, knowing you are not alone and to remember Christ is always with you, and His grace supports us.

This Support Group provides a safe place to share each other's experiences, concerns and emotions that may be causing pain. Talking with the group about one's experiences with grief and listening to what others have experienced affords a great benefit to understand and process our personal grief.

Your time with the Bereavement Support Group is a time specifically set aside for you to process your grief, away from distractions and the day-to-day frustrations and interruptions we all experience. Here you may cry, remain silent, and express your emotions without fear of judgment, as the members of this group understand what you are going through.

The Bereavement Support Group meets the third Wednesday of every month, except July and August, from 10 am to 11:30am. The meeting is held in the parlor and also on Zoom; the Zoom meeting ID and password will be sent to Group members several days prior to the meeting.

Our last meeting before summer is **June 18th at 10am**. We **will not be meeting in July and September 17<sup>th</sup>**.



## 2025 VACATION BIBLE CAMP

**August 11-15      9 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.**

Memorial United Methodist Church

**Age 3 as of 8/11 (must be potty trained)  
to those completing Grade 4  
\$25 per child; max. \$60 per family**

***“The Lord your God is with you  
wherever you go.” Joshua 1:9***

All children are invited to participate in Vacation Bible Camp – we have no limit on number of registrations – but early registrations help us in planning and organization.

Camperships are available. Register your child and then e-mail [kay.hunter@att.net](mailto:kay.hunter@att.net) for confidential paid status.

Seeking volunteers - for this great week at Memorial!

To register your child (grandchild, niece, nephew, friend) or to as a volunteer, and to view more information go to:

[avonmumc.org/vbc](http://avonmumc.org/vbc)



## KEEPING MUMC “PEANUT FREE”

While we cannot guarantee MUMC will be totally peanut free, we would appreciate your help in making every effort to support a peanut free environment at Memorial, especially our little ones.



## FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Linda Kime

Fellowship Hour in Fellowship Hall after Sunday worship continues to be a vital time of conversation and fellowship.

Responsibility for hosting Fellowship Hour rotates among the many committees of MUMC. Keeping it very light and simple this year. We appreciate the committee members giving us this service.

June Fellowship Hour Host is Education Committee.

Education Committee organizes, supervises and oversees the total program of Christian education in the local church at all age levels and oversees special programming including the library, Christmas pageant, children's workshops and other activities.

## SUMMER REFRESHMENTS!

Committees have done a stellar job these last 9 months and June is hosted by Education Committee. Thank you to all volunteers who have contributed to this time we so enjoy together and the treats!

Summer we go to one service at 9:30 am. July and August do not have committees covering refreshments so we will need volunteers to sign up for July 6, 13, 20, 27 and August 3, 10, 17, 24, 31. That's 9 opportunities to provide those days!! Pair up and that's 18 lucky folks. A sign-up sheet will be in back of sanctuary and then in Fellowship hall while we're socializing.

**"COFFEE & CONVERSATION"** awaits in Fellowship Hall at 9:30 am through June for those 8:30 worship attendees who want to gather after, and those who have children in Sunday school, and anyone who comes early before 10:30 worship. Keurig coffee maker will be on for self-serve cup of Jo! Creamer and sweeteners will be out.



On Sunday, May 18, approximately 45 women and girls – friends and family - gathered in Fellowship Hall for High Tea in Alice's Wonderland sponsored by Guiding & Growing Group and Girl Scout Troop 66304.



Thank you to all who brought and shared a wonderful variety of savories and sweets. We were also treated to an assortment of teas, scones and a variety of jams and cream. Special thanks to Girl Scout Troop 66304 and their leader Linda Baker who decorated Fellowship Hall, set tables and assisted with hosting the event including cleanup.

Prizes were awarded to those with the funniest, prettiest and most original hats!!! We look forward to this being an annual event.



Prize Winners:  
Prettiest hat  
Most original hat  
And funniest hat



Girl Scouts and their leader Linda Baker





## 2025 CONNECTICUT DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Linda Arnold, Chris Calandriello, Diane Hornaday, Kay Hunter and Linda Kime represented MUMC at the Connecticut Conference on Saturday, May 3 at North UMC, Hartford. We enjoyed a continental breakfast with time for fellowship and to meet and greet members of other churches in our District.

We were treated to a Bible Storytelling Workshop, led by Sheila Arnold, exploring how to bring the Word of God to life through story.

Following a gourmet Caribbean lunch and inspiring concert, we participated in District business and recognitions and a farewell to DS Alpher Sylvester.

Check out display on Fellowship Hall bulletin board for more information and photos. Also you can go to the Facebook page of Frank Sarpong to access a great number of videos and photos to experience the excitement of the day's activities.



## BISHOP'S TIME WITH THE CONNECTICUT DISTRICT

Diane Hornaday, Kay Hunter and Linda Kime represented MUMC on Monday, May 5, 6-9 pm Meriden First UMC. We were joined by Hope Storrs, former member of MUMC and now member of Meriden First UMC. We enjoyed dinner with musical accompaniment. . Bishop Bickerton shared the vision for our journey ahead. Closing with short worship and communion. Once again great opportunity for fellowship and worship with members of Connecticut District UMC.

## You know you're a Methodist if.....

We make fun of Methodists for their blandness, their excessive calm, their fear of giving offense, their lack of speed, and also for their secret fondness for macaroni and cheese.

But nobody sings like them. If you were to ask an audience in New York City, a relatively Methodist-less place, to sing along on the chorus of "Michael Row the Boat Ashore," they will look daggers at you as if you had asked them to strip to their underwear. But if you do this among Methodists, they smile and row that boat ashore and up on the beach! And down the road!

Many Methodists are bred from childhood to sing in four-part harmony, a talent that comes from sitting on the lap of someone singing alto or tenor or bass and hearing the harmonic intervals by putting your little head against that person's rib cage.

It's natural for Methodists to sing in harmony. They are too modest to be soloists, too worldly to sing in unison. When you're singing in the key of C and you slide into the A7th and D7th chords, all two hundred of you, it's an emotionally fulfilling moment. By joining in harmony, they somehow promise that they will not forsake each other.

I do believe this: People, these Methodists, who love to sing in four-part harmony are the sort of people you can call up when you're in deep distress.

\*If you're dying, they will comfort you.

\*If you are lonely, they'll talk to you.

\*And if you are hungry, they'll give you tuna salad.

\*Methodists believe in prayer, but would practically die if asked to pray out loud.



\*Methodists like to sing, except when confronted with a new hymn or a hymn with more than four stanzas.

\*Methodists believe their pastors will visit them in the hospital, even if they don't notify them that they are there.

\*Methodists usually follow the official liturgy and will feel it is their way of suffering for their sins.

\*Methodists believe in miracles and even expect miracles, especially during their stewardship visitation programs or when passing the plate.

Methodists think that the Bible forbids them from crossing the aisle while passing the peace.

\*Methodists drink coffee as if it were the Third Sacrament.

\*Methodists feel guilty for not staying to clean up after their own wedding reception in the Fellowship Hall.

\*Methodists are willing to pay up to one dollar for a meal at the church.

\*Methodists still serve Jell-O in the proper liturgical color of the season and think that peas in a tuna casserole adds too much color.

\*Methodists believe that it is OK to poke fun at themselves and never take themselves too seriously.

And finally, You know you are a Methodist when:

It's 100 degrees, with 90% humidity, and you still have coffee after the service.

You hear something funny during the sermon and smile as loudly as you can.

Donuts are a line item in the church budget, just like coffee.

When you watch a Star Wars movie and they say, "May the Force be with you," you respond, "and also with you."

And lastly, it takes ten minutes to say good-bye! (Minimal)

## ***DATES TO REMEMBER!!!***

Day	Date	Time	Pg.	Event
Fri.	6/6	12 pm	4	First Friday Pot Luck Lunch – Honoring your heritage!
Sat	6/14	--		<b><i>FLAG DAY</i></b>
Sat	6/14	11 am-3 pm	8	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Car Show (Guiding & Growing)
Sun.	6/15	--	-	<b><i>FATHER'S DAY</i></b>
Sun.	6/15	7 pm	4	The “Other” Good Book Group
Wed.	6/18	8 am	-	Men’s Breakfast – Friendly’s of Avon
Fri	6/20	5:30 pm	8	Third Friday Pot Luck Supper (Guiding & Growing)
Sat	8/11-15	9 am-12:15 pm	11	Vacation Bible Camp

*PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE TO FIND OUR LATEST HAPPENINGS  
AND UP TO DATE INFORMATION  
***avonmumc.org****

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