

July 2026



BEAVER RIDGE
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Our Mission Statement...

"Gathering in Worship, Growing as Disciples, and Going Into the World"

Our Vision Statement ...

"The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously in local communities and worldwide connections."

Summertime in Karns

BEAVER RIDGE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Church Picnic Celebration

Join us after worship for a church wide picnic in the gym. Bring a dish to share. Everyone is invited!!

Sunday, July 5, 2026

at 11:30 am in Family Life Center

WATER DAY

RESCHEDULED
Sunday, July 5h
11:30-1:30 PM

Summer Camp Wrapup Party

Potluck Lunch at 11:30 am
- Bubbles - Chalk - Water Guns - Water Balloons - Water Volleyball - Splash Area

Bring your towel & get ready to get wet!

SENIOR BEAVER ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Senior Beavers are invited to enjoy a hot dog lunch and ice cream social! Get ready for a sweet time filled with laughter, delicious flavors, and a sprinkle of joy.

TUESDAY 7 JULY 2026
11AM-1PM

BEAVER RIDGE UMC ED BUILDING

LET'S MAKE IT A SCOOP-MACULAR DAY!

Contact Us! Julie @ 865-299-2696 by July 3rd

You're Invited

Taco Fiesta Night

July 1st
5:30 PM-6:30 PM

Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Betty Joyce and Erica Zuckerman on the passing of Bob Joyce, husband and father. Bob was a longtime member of Beaver Ridge.

United Methodist Women

The UMW would like to thank our church family for their support in our May mission to collect snacks for the youth at Wesley House.



The UMW will be helping with camp meals. Any questions call: Gloria Lunsford 865-617-1201



Karns Moms Connect

July 8th: 9:15-10:15 (Walking)

- **Ball Camp Park**
7232 Schaad Road
Knoxville, TN 37931

July 22nd: 9:15-10:15 (Walking)

- **All Saints Catholic Church**
620 N Cedar Bluff Road
Knoxville, TN 37923

United Methodist Men

The United Methodist Men will meet Thursday, July 9 at 6 pm in the FLC.

Reach out to Randy Creswell at 865-712-7414, if you have any questions or would like to join us.

Your Donations to KARM Help Others

"Tell KARM: credit Beaver Ridge UMC"

Anytime is a great time to clear out clutter from your home or garage and donate to the Knoxville Area Rescue Mission (KARM). When you drop off your items, please tell them you want Beaver Ridge UMC to receive credit. KARM then provides gift cards that we distribute to neighbors in our community who need clothing and household items.

This recent quarter, Beaver Ridge UMC will receive \$610 in Corners of Your Field gift cards, thanks to 281 donations made at KARM Stores. Thank you to everyone who supports this partnership.

Your unwanted items can bless others and strengthen our church ministries—thank you for donating!

Community Outreach!



The Outreach team will be hosting a booth at the fair. Come by and see them.

If you are interested in helping at the booth, please contact Suzanne or Kerrie.

POOL PARTY

Sunday, July 19th | 6:30–8:30 p.m.

at Karns Lions Pool, Sunday

6618 Beaver Ridge Rd, Knoxville, TN 37931

Don't forget your towel and be ready to get wet!

Bring your friends for an evening of splash-filled fun!

YOUTH &
THE TABLE

Cinch River

KAYAK TRIP



Sunday, July 26th
meet at 12:30 pm

Meeting Location
7753 Oak Ridge Hwy,
Knoxville, TN 37931
Skill Level: All levels

INTERESTED

865.690.1060

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"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

I can't believe we are in July! The summer is going by so fast. Our Youth participated in the mission trip to Marion, VA June 3-6. They worked hard and had some amazing fellowship together. Thank you to everyone who helped make the trip possible and thank you to all the adults who helped lead us, feed us, work alongside us, and enjoy some fun with us!!! We served dinner to Family Promise families on June 24th. I am always so happy to see our Youth show up to serve others and appreciate each of them for their willingness to help others and each other. We also cooled off with a quick trip over to Scoopsville for some delicious ice cream. It's nice to be so close to an ice cream shop. 😊

We begin a new Wednesday evening series, "You and Me", where we will discuss relationships. Do our relationships glorify God? If we love God, do we love people? What does that look like? I look forward to some good conversations.

The Youth have several events and outings coming up. We are looking forward to helping Camp in the Community staff the week of June 29-July 3, a fun lake day on July 8 at Norris Lake with Tom and Geneva McMahan, the church pool party at Karns pool on July 19, and our kayaking trip down the Clinch River on July 26th, and a trip to Dollywood August 2nd! It's a busy summer, but we are going to enjoy every minute!

As always, please come by and say hi or join in the fun!!

In His service,

Rachael Searcy, Youth Director



YOUTH NEWS

July-26

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28 9am- Sunday School 10am-Worship 4 pm -Jr Counselor Training 6-8pm-Water Day	29 Camp 8:30-4:30 1-2pm-Food Pantry Open (Ed. Bldg.) 5:30pm- Line Dancing (Gym) 6:30pm- Girl Scouts	30 Camp 8:30-4:30 10am-Women's Bible Study (library) 6pm- Boy Scouts	1 Camp 8:30-4:30 6:30-7:30pm-Food Pantry 5:30pm-Taco Fiesta	2 Camp 8:30-4:30	3 Camp 8:30-2:00	4 12pm-Crochet group (Ed. Bldg.)
5 9am- Sunday School 10am-Worship 11:30am-Church Picnic	6 Office Closed 1-2pm-Food Pantry Open (Ed. Bldg.) 5:30pm- Line Dancing (Gym) 6:30pm- Girl Scouts	7 10am-Women's Bible Study (library) 11am-Sr Beaver Ice Cream Social 6pm- Boy Scouts	8 9:15am- KMC, walking at Ball Camp Park Youth Outing * Regular Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm-Food Pantry	9	10 6pm-UMM Mtg	11 12pm-Crochet group (Ed. Bldg.) 5pm-Fairest of the Fair
12 9am- Sunday School 10am-Worship	13 1-2pm-Food Pantry Open (Ed. Bldg.) 5:30pm- Line Dancing (Gym) 6:30pm- Girl Scouts	14 10am-Women's Bible Study (library) 6pm- Boy Scouts	15 * Regular Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm-Food Pantry	16	17	18 10am-4pm-Karns Fair 12pm-Crochet group (Ed. Bldg.) Card Show
19 9am- Sunday School 10am-Worship 6:30-8:30pm - Pool Party	20 1-2pm-Food Pantry Open (Ed. Bldg.) 5:30pm- Line Dancing (Gym) 6:30pm- Girl Scouts	21 10am-Women's Bible Study (library) 2:30pm-Staff mtg 6pm- Boy Scouts	22 9:15am- KMC, walking at All Saints * Regular Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm-Food Pantry	23	24	25 12pm-Crochet group (Ed. Bldg.)
26 9am- Sunday School 10am-Worship 12:30pm-Youth & The Table Kayak Trip	27 1-2pm-Food Pantry Open (Ed. Bldg.) 5:30pm- Line Dancing (Gym) 6:30pm- Girl Scouts	28 10am-Women's Bible Study (library) 6pm- Boy Scouts	29 * Regular Wednesdays 6:30-7:30pm-Food Pantry	30	31	1 12pm-Crochet group (Ed. Bldg.)

* Regular Wednesday events - 6:30pm-youth, 6pm- Choir rehearsal, 7pm- Rugged Faith

Dear Beaver Ridge,

Pastor's Message

CAMP IN THE COMMUNITY IS HERE!

I love everything about camp. I love the kids and their families, the camp staff, our volunteers, the church staff, the community support, food, activities, Bible stories, worship, relationships, fun, fellowship and most of all Jesus and you!

You, church, raised at least \$10,000 to pay for camp and the food so that the children of our community attend for free. Faithfully, you have done this for five years! For FIVE YEARS you have hosted camp at church. Last year we hosted two weeks of camp! This year we hosted two camps concurrently. That's double the camp in one week with 101 registered, 15 camp staff, 4 host homes, with 65 volunteers and staff, etc.

Miracles happen every time we host camp. People come together and Jesus is present in a real, joy-filled, and vibrant way! It changes the atmosphere at church because it changes us!

"I Am" is the theme this year for camp. Those statements that Jesus used to describe Himself.

In **Exodus 3:14**, God revealed Himself to Moses as *"I AM THAT I AM,"* declaring His eternal, unchanging nature. When Jesus echoed these words in **John 8:58**, saying, *"Before Abraham was, I am,"* He revealed His divine identity as one with the Father, the same unchanging God who spoke from the burning bush. This claim was not lost on His hearers; they understood that He was proclaiming Himself to be the Lord of eternity, the God of Israel, robed in human flesh.

What comfort this brings to believers. The same "I AM" who parted the Red Sea now parts the shadows of our fears. The One who said, *"I am the bread of life"* (**John 6:25-52**) is the great provider for our minds and souls, as well as food, shelter and rest for our bodies (**Psalm 23**). The One who said, *"I am the light of the world"* (**John 8:12**) still shines in the darkness of human hearts. The One who declared, *"I am the good shepherd"* (**John 10:11**) still guides and guards His flock. The One who promised, *"I am the resurrection, and the life"* (**John 11:25**) stands today as the guarantee of our eternal hope.

In every season: past, present, and future, Jesus remains unchanged. *"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever,"* (**Hebrews 13:8**). The Great I AM stands at the center of Revelation's glory, reminding us that history is not spiraling into chaos, but moving toward His promised return. He is, He was, and He is to come, the Almighty.

Let our hearts rest in this eternal truth. When life shifts, when people fail, when the world trembles, the Great I AM remains firm. To trust Him is to anchor our souls in eternity itself.

Don't miss church! The Great I Am is here! And the miracles are abundant!

In Christ, Pastor Teresa

We're About Missions!

Summer is here, and school is out.

That means that the Food Pantry crew is working overtime to keep the shelves stocked and volunteers committed to serve. An update on our current food sources:

- **Food City on Middlebrook Pike.** Contributes food and household items three times a week. Thanks to Paulette McBee and John Witherspoon for being dependable in picking this bounty up week after week.
- **Concord UMC on Kingston Pike.** Provides boxes of bagels for our Pantry (and our neighbors at the trailer parks down the road) twice a month. Zeni Schleiter has stepped up to the plate to handle this source. Many thanks!
- **Weigels store on Oak Ridge Hwy (through the Food Donation Connection).** Provides baked goods each Saturday for us to offer to our Clients. I am currently picking this up, but can share this responsibility if someone else is interested.
- **Gleaning at the Market Square farmers' market on third Saturday of the month.** Provides fresh produce for our Pantry, always popular! Thanks to the Moazin family for helping out with this.
- **CedarBrook Outreach.** Excess food from Krogers and Sprouts. Kirby and LoraLee Wilcher make this possible.
- **Grassy Valley Baptist Church on Kingston Pike.** Has recently "adopted" our Pantry and provides A LOT of food to our Pantry. Many thanks to David and Crystal Hayes!
- **Mayfield Milk.** This is a new source, recommended by David Hayes. Through the Randy Davis Memorial Milk Fund, the Davis family is making it possible for us to pick up 20 gallons of 2% milk every Monday for our Pantry!
- **Concord UMC on Kingston Pike.** (yes, I know I listed them above also) Donates fresh produce from their garden. I just picked up potatoes, squash, green beans, tomatoes, and onions from them

We pay no money for all the sources listed above...just a little bit of effort on the part of our volunteers. Bless you all!

A few months ago, I mentioned that the Pantry has been awarded a \$7500 grant from the United Way (thanks again to Marisa Moazen for spearheading that effort). It has been decided to purchase an industrial-grade freezer to supplement our current food storage needs. Also to purchase six shopping carts (think of the smaller buggies at the grocery stores) to possibly replace the wagons we currently use (which are a little cumbersome in our limited space). Well, both items are now on order and we can look forward to a few changes in the near future.

We have had a few volunteers who have taken the summer off from working the Pantry. If you are interested in volunteering either Monday (1-2) or Wednesday (6:30-7:30), please give me a call or an email...(865-804-6642, deanleslielittle@gmail.com) we'd love to add you to our team!

Blessings to all, Leslie Little



RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

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9:00am-3:00pm
Friday CLOSED
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