

COMMUNICATOR

**AUGUST
2019**

Potluck and Fellowship
On the First
Sunday of Every
Month



**Sunday, August 4
12pm**

MEETINGS

**Worship Com.--
Thurs., August 8,
7pm**

**UMM--Sat., August
17, 8am**

**Finance Com.--Tues.,
August 27, 7pm**



Mission Trip

Sept. 2-6

Sager Brown

Disaster Relief

Depot

Baldwin, Louisiana

We will be putting
together UMCOR

kits

See Rev. Riddle to

sign-up asap

Pastor's Message...

Welcome Back!

Welcome back! This is the time of year when we welcome back folks to school, to work, football games, and to church. I hope and pray that everyone had a chance to retreat and rest a little this summer. I am grateful that I was able to spend a week with my parents and a week with Jeannene, Makaila and our granddaughter Georgia in Helen Georgia. It's always good to get away and it is always good to return home.

Acts 15:4 says, "When they came to Jerusalem, they were welcomed by the church and the apostles and the elders, and they declared all that

God had done with them. The they in this story were Paul, Barnabas and others traveling to Jerusalem on a mission for the newly birthed church. This passage reminds us that not only are we to be welcoming to the stranger and the first time visitor but also to each of us who are already in the church as we return from time away. So, welcome back to church! We have missed you and we are glad that you are back.

Speaking of church, this fall is shaping up to be a busy and exciting season. Weekday ministries has new leaders and them and the teachers are working hard to get everything ready for the children who will be returning in a

few weeks. We are starting a new small group and a Confirmation class. Also there some things in the works for a new Youth ministry and Children's ministry. Also many of our long standing ministries will resume or continue this fall. Men's and Women's groups, Thursday morning bible study, Sunday school and more.

Welcome back and strap in for an exciting fall!

Your Friend and Pastor,

Steven



Welcome Vicki Jenkins, new Weekday Ministries Director! Vicki has been teaching at County Line Weekday for over 8 years. She and her husband, Mickey are members of County Line and she currently serves as Co-Lay Leader.

Also, Debbie Jeromin will be the Assistant Director. She has been with the program for 14 years. She also is a member of County Line UMC.

We wish these ladies much success in their new positions!



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WEEKDAY MINISTRIES...

Friday, August 16--10am Meet & Greet

Sunday, August 18--11am Worship--Blessing of the Teachers

Monday, August 19--1st Day of School

JESUS WAS IN A SMALL GROUP. I'M JUST SAYIN'...

(life change happens in small groups)

New Small Group forming! Beginning Wednesday, September 11 we will read and discuss Class Meeting by Dr. Kevin Watson. The group will meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30pm and will be led by Pastor Riddle. Email Pastor Riddle with questions or to sign-up.

Smiles Needed!

Tues., Aug. 13, 6:45pm.

We will be hosting a local HOA Meeting



The Caring & Calling Team would like to invite anyone interested to attend with them, Dementia 101--a free class being offered at the KSU Center on Friday, September 20th, 10-11:30am. Afterward, we will have lunch at Cracker Barrel. To register call the KSU Center, 470-578-6765. A 4-session follow-up class will be offered in October.

Our Staff...

Pastor	Rev. Steven Riddle (ext. 102)
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Custodian	Linda Lamine
Financial Admin.	Mary Paris
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Music Director	Ted Brown
Musician	Liz Carroll
Weekday Director	Vicki Jenkins (ext. 105)
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Confirmation Class Starting Soon...

In August, Pastor Riddle will offer a **Confirmation Class** for grades 6 and up. If your child has not been confirmed and would like to participate, please email Rev. Riddle, steven@countylineumc.org



FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE (6-month financial check-up):

Did you know there are only 7 weeks of summer left? Of course that means the kids will be back in school on August 1st, and sports, band, chorus and other school extra curriculum activities will begin. And yes summer vacations and travel come to an end. We hope everyone experienced rest and relaxation. We thank all who continued to contribute to the church during their time away.

One of the other things that usually happens as summer comes to a close is that children all over the country are flooding the doctor’s offices to get physicals and checkups for school. We feel that this is also a good time to conduct a church financial checkup as well. As you will see below, giving (revenue) is still below budget. To meet budget, we should have \$150,000.04 in revenue as of June 30, 2019. Thankfully, expenses are also below budget at \$145,059.08. However, even with expenses being under budget the bottom line (revenue less expenses) is still a loss of \$15,142.38.

There are several things we can do: First and foremost pray and ask God to continue to bless County Line UMC. Then consider the following actions: increasing your giving; use the business cards provided by Pastor Steven to invite people to our church, find opportunities to talk about your church to those you come in contact with in your daily activities. Help when the church needs volunteers to grow the children and youth programs to bring more young people to our church. God will see we have the resources, if we all work at being a vibrant, growing church reaching out to the unchurched.

Electronic giving is a convenient way to provide consistent financial support to our church. Please visit our website (www.countylineume.org) click on the Stewardship and Giving tab, then scroll down to the icon and click on the button to set up your online recurring giving during the summer months. Please contact Mary Paris, finadmin@countylineumc.org if you have any questions about the online giving.



Thank you for your faithful giving to our church.

FINANCE REPORT (6 months checkup):

July Offering:	Total Annual Budget:	
7/7 \$12,035		\$300,000
7/14 \$2,741	Year-to Date 6/30/19:	
7/21 \$2,387	YTD Funded:	\$129,917
7/28 \$3,938	YTD Unfunded:	\$170,083
	FLC Loan Outstanding (07/31/19):	\$250,892

<p>Average Weekly Giving needed to meet Budget in the remain- ing 5 months</p> <p>\$5,719</p>
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“Average Weekly Giving needed to meet the Budget” will change each month based on the YTD unfunded and the number of remaining Sundays in 2019.

If you have any questions about the finance reports, please contact Deborah Bentley, Finance Committee Chairperson.