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# KOCHENDERFER KORNER

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## LEAD TEAM

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The Lead Team has grown! We welcome Teddy Carpenter (serving until end of 2024) and Andy Mease (serving until end of 2025). The end dates of Lead Team participants are spaced out so as not to have major turnover at any one time.

the Lead Team meets every Wednesday evening to pray, discuss the business of the church, and consider possibilities and opportunities for KUMC in our community while keeping our mission and vision in mind. These are reports of their recent meetings:

- There was much prayer,

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# WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE CHURCH?

## EMERGENCY CONTACT

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Pastor Jeff will be out of office from Sunday, June 25 - Saturday, July 1. Andy Mease will be preaching during for this and if you have any emergencies during this time, contact the church office.

## COMBINED SERVICE

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Sunday, July 2 will be a combined service at 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary.

## OFFICE CLOSED

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The church office will be closed Tuesday, July 4. Have a happy Independence Day!

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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Wishing a happy birthday to these brothers and sisters-in-Christ this month: Barry Fisher (7/2), Doreen Heisey (7/4), Luke W (7/9), Richard Plummer (7/10), Ken Donmoyer (7/11), Sherry Krall (7/11), Jodi Miller (7/12), Jay Porter (7/17), Bonnie Stamm (7/18), Jeffrey Kuhn (7/18), Jamil W (7/20), Ava B (7/24), Chris Heisey (7/26) and Abigail Rohrer (7/31)!

Happy anniversary to Jack & Barb Kopeski (7/23) and Scott & Jodi Miller (7/26)!

# WHAT'S COMING UP?

## KLINE CONCERT

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Enjoy the soft sounds of Carol & George Kline once again on July 2, 4:00 PM, here at the church. This is a free event where you may give a love offering to the performers if you desire.

## BACKYARD WORSHIP

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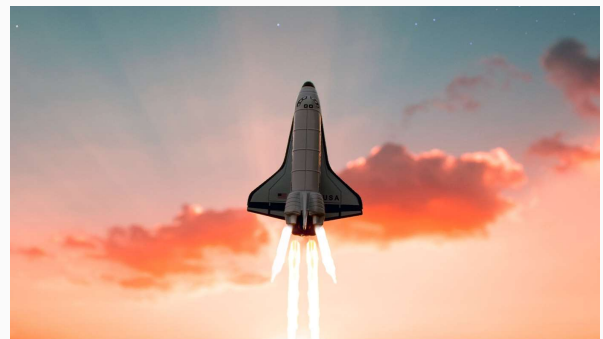
Join us for this series of worship and fun throughout this summer! This month, Backyard Worship will be Saturday, July 22 at 7:00 PM in the CLC Parking Lot yard.



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

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VBS will launch kids on a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world. Stellar rockets kids on an out-of-this-world adventure that's light years of faith-building fun. Stellar will be from 6:00-8:30 PM, Sunday, July 9 - Thursday, July 13. Please talk to Kelly Mease, Tammy Allwein or visit the Ministry Table in the Welcome Center for details or to register.



VBS is a yearly summer Bible school hosted to have the gospel reach children.

# FEATURED ARTICLES

thoughtful questions, and positive discussion regarding declining giving in the last three years and the financial situation of church accounts. There is always struggle, emotions, and loss during times of change. As the Lead Team plans for the future, great care is taken to share and stay aware of grief and fears during the discussions and decisions.

-Some building updates are being planned, including putting AC and Wi-Fi in the old pavilion classroom. These upgrades are being funded by grants given to the daycare. A new hand railing in the CLC hallway will need funding, some from memorial funds given in the past 3 years. The prayer railing from the old church building (currently in a day care classroom under the sanctuary) will need to be carefully removed, and several ways to preserve and celebrate this history are still under consideration. A new ice machine has been purchased and installed in the kitchen to replace the old one, which ceased working in early June.

-A decision was approved to stop live-streaming services, and

instead offer recordings of the sermon and possibly some of the music. The Lead Team anticipates a return to openly sharing prayer requests, passing offering plates, and creating again a space for worshipping together without worries of privacy, legality, and other concerns of streaming online.

-A renewal of the Security Team is under leadership of Teddy Carpenter. We want the building to stay safe, accessible, and secure at all times for those who use it. The goal is to become aware of any issues ASAP, by having a person scheduled to check the building every evening and after events to see that all is turned off and locked up properly.

-The Day Care is open all year round, and there are currently 5 classrooms continuing to provide childcare over the summer months. We now await decisions from State and IU13 funding about whether they will renew our two additional Pre-K Counts classrooms for another 5-year contract.

The Lead Team asks for your trust and love to one another so that we may together fulfill our mission to Invite, Grow, and Serve. Thank you for your support of prayer, encouragement, finances, attendance, and friendship.

# GROWING IN DISCIPLESHIP

## LIVING INSIDE- OUT!

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Lead by Courtney & Jen, Living Inside-Out is for children ages 2 - grade 3. We sing praises to God as our opening, have a large group "hands-on" Bible lesson before breaking into age-appropriate groups for more activities. The time together includes a fun way to learn about God's love, care, and plan for each of us, 9:00 AM.

## CLUB 456

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Kids grades 4 - 6 gather for fun activities, opportunities to help others, build friendships and learn more about how God involves Himself in their lives! The group meets during the 9:00 AM Contemporary Service.

## REVOLVE

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Revolve is our church's youth ministry for grades 7 - 12. This group engages in Sunday School and fun-filled events to keep them intrigued and learn more of Christ! Sunday School meets in their own Youth Lounge, Room 201 at 10:30 AM.

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOLS

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We offer discipleship to further enforce teachings on a Sunday to help you grow in God. **Worship Breakdown** is a class that meets on Sunday mornings in the CLC at 10:30 AM and is led by Andy Mease & Bonnie Mease. We breakdown the music that was sung as well as the message and scripture that was delivered. **God's Morning Uplift**, led by Alice Miller, during the 10:30 AM Traditional Service.

# FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

## HOUSE OF PRAYER

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The House of Prayer is every Wednesday evening, 7:00 PM.

## PLARN GROUP

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This group meets every Tuesday after Bible Study to make mats for the homeless.

## BIBLE STUDIES

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Join Pastor Jeff as he leads Bible Study, every Tuesday at 10:30 AM. The Bible Study will meet again July 25. If you have questions, you can contact Pastor Jeff at [pastorjeff@kochenderfer.org](mailto:pastorjeff@kochenderfer.org). Small Group Bible Study meets the 4th Thursday of the month at 11:00 AM in CLC 101.

## DINING OPPORTUNITIES

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Once a month, various fellowship groups meet for a meal offsite. **Retiree's Breakfast** meet at Country Fare Restaurant in Myerstown at 9:00 AM on the first Thursday of the month; July 6. **Sisters In Faith Breakfast** meets also at Heisey's Diner on the second Saturday of the month; July 8, 9:30 AM. **Men's Breakfast** meets at Heisey's Diner, 7:30 AM on the third Saturday of the month; July 15. The **Retiree's Luncheon** meets at 12:30 PM at a different location each month on the third Tuesday of the month.

## PRAYER SHAWL

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On the second and third Thursday of the month, this group meets at 9:30 AM in CLC 101 and open to anyone. We crochet and knit, cross stitch, paint and more!

# July 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>2 Combined Service 10:00am - 11:30am @ Sanctuary Card &amp; George Kline Concert 4:00pm - 6:30pm @ CLC</p>	<p>3 Fellowship Team Meeting 6:00pm - 7:30pm @ Sanctuary Overflow</p>	<p>4 Independence Day Office Closed Tuesday Morning Bible Study 10:30am - 11:30am @ CLC 101 Prism Group Meeting 12:00pm - 1:00pm @ CLC 101 Praise Team Rehearsal 7:00pm - 8:00pm @ CLC</p>	<p>5 Lead Team Meeting 6:00pm - 7:00pm @ CLC 101 Boy Scout Troop 439 Committee Meeting 7:00pm - 8:00pm @ Room 202 Prayer Meeting (Communion) 7:00pm - 8:00pm @ Sanctuary</p>	<p>6 Retiree's Breakfast 9:00am - 10:30am @ Offsite</p>		<p>1 Facility Rental 3:00pm - 8:00pm @ CLC Facility Rental 3:00pm - 8:00pm @ Welcome Center (Lobby) Facility Rental 3:00pm - 8:00pm @ CLC Main Parking Lot</p>
<p>9 Newsletter Article Deadline Contemporary Worship - Children's Sunday School Club 4:56 9:00am - 10:30am @ CLC Traditional Worship - Adult Sunday School - Revolve 10:30am @ Sanctuary VBS 6:00pm - 8:30pm @ Entire Church</p>	<p>10 VBS 6:00pm - 8:30pm @ Entire Church</p>	<p>11 Tuesday Morning Bible Study 10:30am - 11:30am @ CLC 101 Prism Group Meeting 12:00pm - 1:00pm @ CLC 101 VBS 6:00pm - 8:30pm @ Entire Church</p>	<p>12 VBS 6:00pm - 8:30pm @ Entire Church</p>	<p>13 Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:30am - 11:30am @ CLC 101 VBS 6:00pm - 8:30pm @ Entire Church</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 Men's Breakfast 7:30am - 9:00am @ Offsite</p>
<p>16 Contemporary Worship - Children's Sunday School Club 4:56 9:00am - 10:30am @ CLC Traditional Worship - Adult Sunday School - Revolve 10:30am @ Sanctuary</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 Tuesday Morning Bible Study 10:30am - 11:30am @ CLC 101 Prism Group Meeting 12:00pm - 1:00pm @ CLC 101 Praise Team Rehearsal 7:00pm - 8:00pm @ CLC</p>	<p>19 Learning To Pray Class 10:00am - 11:00am @ CLC 101 Retiree's Luncheon 12:30pm - 1:30pm @ Offsite Lead Team Meeting 6:00pm - 7:00pm @ CLC 101 Prayer Meeting (Communion) 7:00pm - 8:00pm @ Sanctuary Learning To Pray Class 8:00pm - 9:00pm @ CLC 101</p>	<p>20 Prayer Shawl Ministry 9:30am - 11:30am @ CLC 101 Learning To Pray Class 7:00pm - 8:00pm @ CLC 101</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22 Mission Trip @ Offsite Backyard Worship Service 7:00pm - 8:30pm @ CLC Main Parking Lot</p>
<p>23 Mission Trip @ Offsite Contemporary Worship - Children's Sunday School Club 4:56 9:00am - 10:30am @ CLC Traditional Worship - Adult Sunday School - Revolve 10:30am @ Sanctuary</p>	<p>24 Mission Trip @ Offsite</p>	<p>25 Mission Trip @ Offsite Tuesday Morning Bible Study 10:30am - 11:30am @ CLC 101 Prism Group Meeting 12:00pm - 1:00pm @ CLC 101 Praise Team Rehearsal 7:00pm - 8:00pm @ CLC</p>	<p>26 Mission Trip @ Offsite Lead Team Meeting 6:00pm - 7:00pm @ CLC 101 Prayer Meeting (Communion) 7:00pm - 8:00pm @ Sanctuary</p>	<p>27 Mission Trip @ Offsite Small Group Bible Study 11:00am - 12:30pm @ CLC 101</p>	<p>28 Mission Trip @ Offsite</p>	<p>29</p>
<p>30 Contemporary Worship - Children's Sunday School Club 4:56 9:00am - 10:30am @ CLC Traditional Worship - Adult Sunday School - Revolve 10:30am @ Sanctuary Fifth Sunday Potluck 11:30am - 2:30pm</p>	<p>31</p>					



# Happy Independence Day

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