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MarvinLife



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Fall Midweek classes
and Mission Week
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At our May Strategic Planning Committee meeting, chairman Scott Myers reminded the team that the church's by-laws require that the strategic planning committee do a periodic review of our Vision, Mission, and Values Statements. At the meeting, committee members reviewed, discussed, and affirmed all three of these and offered the suggestion that church leadership explore creative ways to keep these in front of the congregation. In response to their wishes, I thought that using my monthly newsletter article might provide such an opportunity. As I review them now, I am hopeful that they will sound familiar to you.

The vision of Marvin Methodist Church is "Growing disciples to share the love and hope of Christ." If you read the church's 24/25 Annual Report that was sent to church members homes in May, then you will recognize these words that were prominently displayed throughout the document: "Grow," "Love," and "Hope" were notated in large capital letters along with our strategic pillars of Discipleship, Worship, People, Stewardship, and Service.

The Mission of Marvin Methodist Church is "to call people into a life-altering relationship with Christ, equip them for ministry and send them out into Christian service, all while loving God and loving others." These words are located throughout our campus on signage and large displays in our atrium and on the wall by the Welcome Center. You undoubtedly have seen the words "Call, Equip, Send" displayed along with the large metal Marvin logo with the words "Love God, Love Others." These are our attempts to keep the mission before us.

As for the Marvin Values, these have been documented as the "The Marvin Way" and are probably the least communicated of the three statements (unless you frequent the hall between the Fair Gymnasium and the kitchen.) Each of the nine value "words" are displayed there with a corresponding Marvin photograph and appropriate Scripture text. To save you a walk down the hallway, here they are with a short description and corresponding Scripture text:



- **Prayer** – All ministry will be grounded in prayer.
"Pray without ceasing."
1 Thes. 5:17
- **Humility** – Knowing that it is never to be about us, we follow our servant Christ.
"In humility, consider others better than yourself."
Philippians 2:3
- **Passion** – God put a little of Himself inside of all of us. This is your ministry passion.
"Run in such a way to get the prize."
1 Corinthians 9:24
- **Unity** – Staff and laity will work together because Together Everyone Achieves More.
"A kingdom divided against itself cannot stand."
Mark 3:24
- **Servanthood** – A desire to serve should precede the choice to lead.
"Whoever wants to be great among you will be your servant." Mark 10:43
- **Thankfulness** – Gratefulness leads to great fullness in our lives.
"Give thanks in all circumstances for this is God's will for you..." 1 Thes. 5:18
- **Accountability** – "Watch over one another in love." John Wesley
"For with the judgment you make, you will be judged." Matthew 7:2
- **Risk Taking** – If you try only what you know can be accomplished, there is no room for faith, no need for God.
"The Lord your God is with you wherever you go."
Joshua 1:9
- **For Christ's Glory** – Serve in such a way that Christ is the recipient of praise.
"It is no longer I who live but Christ who lives in me." Galatians 2:20

Values-driven churches prioritize core values in all aspects of their operations and ministries. From leadership decisions to staff collaboration with laity and service done to others, these values guide our church's culture, shaping how we interact with each other and the world. When core values are embraced and reflected in our actions, it fosters a strong sense of purpose, congregational engagement, increased



Dr. Doug Baker



Guest Speaker Dr. Kevin Watson

**Sunday, August 24 at 9:45 a.m.
Herd Worship Center**

Dr. Kevin Watson, Director of Academic Growth and Formation at Asbury Theological Seminary, is a leading voice in the recovery of Wesleyan discipleship practices and the author of several books including: *The Class Meeting: Reclaiming a Forgotten (and Essential) Small Group Experience* and *Perfect Love: Recovering the Lost Power of the Methodist Movement*. His work has helped churches, including Marvin, reintroduce John Wesley's eighteenth-century original discipleship pathway to their congregations.

In this one-time event, Dr. Watson will unpack the historic and transformative practices of Welsey's Class Meetings and Discipleship Bands—small groups that help us grow in faith by paying attention to God in our daily lives and giving witness to that activity in a committed community.

Whether you're just learning about these groups or already participating, this gathering will connect you to our Methodist heritage and deepen your understanding of why Class Meetings and Bands are central to Marvin's discipleship formation today.

We look forward to sitting under the teaching of one of Methodism's most trusted discipleship voices. Join us as we rediscover the spiritual habits that fueled a movement and that the Spirit still uses to transform lives today.

Reflections cont.

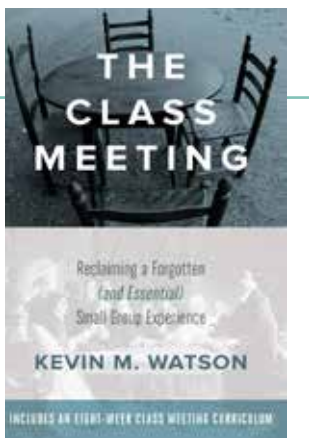
and reflected in our actions, it fosters a strong sense of purpose, congregational engagement, increased productivity, innovation, and loyalty. Most importantly, we grow in faith and Christ is praised!

Thank you, Scott Myers, for the reminder that our vision, mission, and core values need to be continuously communicated and reinforced throughout the church. By serving Christ with these guiding Biblical principles, together, we can, with the help of the Holy Spirit, create a church that is not only profitable but also meaningful, engaging, and impactful.

Thank you for participating in praying for our city as we prepare to Love Thy City on July 19 at the W.T. Brookshire Center and Rose Stadium. The church will again take up a love offering for this event on as a part of our Sunday morning services. Please come prepared to bless this impactful event as we bless others with the gospel and in many tangible ways.

Doug

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Meet Summer Pastoral Intern, Justin Woodley

Justin joined us on June 8 as our pastoral summer intern. A student at Sam Houston State University and an active member of The Woodlands Methodist Church, he is passionate about discipleship and spiritual growth. His ministry journey began as a small group leader in high school and college, fostering meaningful discussions among peers. A pivotal summer camp experience led him to develop preaching skills and deliver sermons to middle school students. In previous summers, he had interned with youth at The Woodlands Church. This summer, he will be serving at Marvin as a Global Methodist Church pastoral intern in Mission Week, worship, Bible studies, and congregational care.





FALL MIDWEEK

**CLASSES BEGIN
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 3**

The first midweek meal is
Chicken Fried Steak. Each week
the \$5 meal begins at 5 p.m.
and classes are from 6–7 p.m.



CATECHISM OF THE GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH—PART 2

Now more than ever, it's
important to know what you

believe—and why. This class explores the foundational
beliefs of the Global Methodist Church, rooted in Scripture
and historic Christian doctrine. Part 2 focuses on our
distinctives as Wesleyan Methodists, helping you not only
deepen your understanding but also grow in confidence to
share your faith with others.

Facilitated by Gerry Giles. Sept. 3–Nov. 5

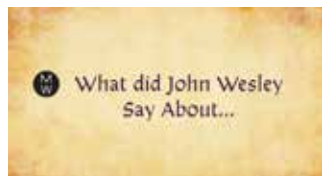


LIFE TO LIFE

Developed by Gina and
Doug Baker, Life-to-Life is a
discipleship curriculum that
has helped foster Christ-

centered relationships in the church for over twelve years.
This easy-to-use, experiential program teaches spiritual
practices in a hands-on way—equipping followers of
Christ for consistent spiritual growth and faithful service.

Facilitated by Gina and Doug Baker. Sept. 3–Nov. 19



WHAT DID JOHN WESLEY SAY ABOUT...

Whether you're new to
Methodism or simply curious
about the teachings of

our founder, this class invites you to explore what John
Wesley had to say on a wide range of spiritual topics—
from grace and salvation to angels, heaven, and more.
Come discover how Wesley's insights continue to shape
our faith today.

*Taught by Jan McCauley and Jacob Joiner.
Sept. 3–Nov. 19*



EXPERIENCING GOD: KNOWING AND DOING THE WILL OF GOD

God is always at work around
you—and He invites you into

a deeper relationship where you can know Him more
intimately and join Him in His work. This class helps you
recognize God's voice, understand His will, and respond
with boldness and faith. Through this study, you'll learn
to live a radically God-centered life, anchored in His
presence and empowered by His purpose.

Facilitated by Carolyn Hutson. Sept. 3–Nov. 19



TEACH ME TO PRAY

Prayer is more than words—
it's a vital connection with
God. This class explores
the practice of prayer,

intercession, and supplication, offering both biblical
foundations and practical guidance to deepen your
prayer life. Whether you're just beginning or looking to
grow in confidence and consistency, this class will help
you engage more fully in conversation with God.

Facilitated by Tami Bell. Sept. 3–Nov. 19



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY— HIDDEN: FINDING DELIGHT IN YOUR LIFE WITH CHRIST

Discover the beauty and

purpose of living a hidden life in Christ. In this study, you'll
explore the stories of lesser-known biblical figures—like the
Sons of Korah, Cleopas, Huldah, the Daughters of Shallum,
Pilate's Wife, and Gideon—and reflect on how
their experiences speak to your own journey. This class
will allow for thoughtful exploration of identity, purpose,
and delight in God's presence.

Facilitated by Brandy Stevens. Sept. 3–Oct. 15



GRIEF SHARE

GriefShare is a 13-week,
Christ-centered support
group designed to help
you navigate the deep

pain of losing a loved one. Through guided sessions,
you'll find comfort, understanding, and hope
alongside others who are also grieving. All materials
are provided at no cost.

*Facilitated by Bonnie Tincher, Jency Gregory,
Debbie Weber and Gail Hollenshead. Aug. 27–Nov. 19*



THE WALK

Feeling stuck in your faith? Has
church—or your routine—felt
empty? Are life circumstances
making it seem like you've hit

a wall? You're not alone. For over a year, a group of Marvin
members have been exploring the reasons behind these
spiritual roadblocks and seeking ways to overcome them.
This class offers a supportive space to help you identify your
own "wall" and begin building a framework for breakthrough—
together, in community. Everyone is welcome.

*Facilitated by Brad Streit and other Marvin members.
Sept. 3–Oct. 15*



Register for these classes at
marvin.church/midweek2025

Contact Marc Donaldson
with any questions at
mdonaldson@marvin.church



Other Weekday Classes



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY – HOMEGROWN: *Cultivating Kids In The Fruit Of The Spirit*

As parents, we long to raise children who know
God, love Him, and reflect His love to the world.
This study explores how the fruit of the Spirit—
love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness,
faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control—can
take root in your home. Discover how to model
Spirit-led living, nurture spiritual growth in your
children, and live out these virtues together as
a family.

Facilitated by Keren Norton

Tuesdays, Sept. 23 – Oct. 28, 10–11:30 a.m.



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY— THE EPIC OF EDEN: ISAIAH

The "Epic of Eden:

Isaiah" is a 10-week bible study, focusing on
the prophet Isaiah and his message. This
study delves into the context of the book of
Isaiah, explores Israel's religion and economy,
and examines the role of prophets. Develop
an understanding of how Isaiah's message is
relevant to our lives today.

Facilitated by Carolyn Hutson and Brandy Stevens

TUESDAYS, Sept. 2 – Nov. 11, 10–11:30 a.m.





Tuesday, July 22, 6 p.m.
Willow Brook Country Club

This year’s speakers are Bonnie Tincher, Christy Hill and Kara Story
Registration (\$40 per person) is open! You can register by visiting marvin.church/events!

To stay up to date on Marvin Women’s Ministry gathering and opportunities be sure to text “**womens**” to **90382**.

Ventures are Heading to Dallas in July

Come join the Ventures on July 23 as we travel to Dallas to the Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum. This Museum was founded in 1984 by holocaust survivors to teach others how to combat prejudice, hatred and indifference.



We will have the opportunity to tour the facility and become immersed into the lessons of the Holocaust, Declaration of Human Rights following World War II, historical and contemporary genocides and America’s human and civil rights journey.
We will Gather at the church at 8 a.m. and depart by 8:15 a.m. to be at the museum by 10 a.m. Lunch will follow at El Fenix in Irving before we make our way back to the church with adequate rest stops.
The cost of the trip will be \$50 which covers lunch, the museum and gas for the church van. Contact Gerry Giles (ggiles@marvin.church) or Kenley Moore (kmoore@marvin.church) before July 17 to reserve your seat on the van.



Financial update through May					Attendance	
	May budget	May actual	YTD budget	YTD actual		
Gifts received/other income	\$ 341,000	\$ 281,729	\$ 1,705,000	\$ 1,722,830	May 4	862
Expenditures	\$ 524,575	\$ 496,957	\$ 2,201,714	\$ 2,003,272	May 11	847
Excess/(shortage)	\$ (183,575)	\$ (215,228)	\$ (496,714)	\$ (280,442)	May 18	909
					May 25	794

Tenth Annual Eternal Flame Dinner

Please join us on Thursday, August 21 from 6–8 p.m. for the Tenth Annual Eternal Flame Fund Dinner. The evening will take place in Pirtle Hall and will include a buffet dinner with steaks prepared by Kenny Cotten.
This year, the evening will be highlighted by an inspirational message by our very own Dr. John Wayne McMann as the special guest speaker. John Wayne now serves as Lead Pastor at First Methodist Conroe (FMC). He is also planting a new worshipping community in The Woodlands Hills development in Willis, Texas. Before becoming the lead pastor at FMC, John Wayne was the lead pastor of Vine Worship at Kingwood UMC for six years and Lead Pastor of Core Worship here at Marvin Methodist Church for two years.
Tickets for the Tenth Annual Eternal Flame Fund Dinner are \$100 per person and will be available beginning July 15. Tickets may be purchased at the Welcome Center or by mail. If you wish to purchase tickets by check, please note “dinner tickets” on the memo line of the check. Groups of eight people may be seated together if the names and checks are submitted together.
Childcare is available by reservation for children ages 0 through fifth grade.

Town Hall Meeting July 27

The Finance Committee and Finance Department will be hosting a townhall meeting to review financial information with our members. Items to be discussed will be information regarding expenses. These quarterly meetings provide a forum to answer any questions you may have about your church’s finances. The meetings will also provide a place to meet representatives of the Finance Committee.
The townhall meeting will be held on Sunday, July 27 during the Sunday School hour and at 12 pm (immediately following the conclusion of the 11 am services). All townhall meetings will take place in Marvin’s Library.
The meetings will continue to be held at the end of each quarter. We hope you will join us as this will be an excellent opportunity to ask questions and to gain a greater understanding of Marvin’s financials.



What is the Eternal Flame Fund?

The Eternal Flame Fund is supported by gifts from the congregation for projects at Marvin Church not covered by the annual operating budget. This fund is supported in part by the annual Eternal Flame Fund Dinner. Gifts to the Eternal Flame Fund may be made at any point during the year and may be made in honor or memory of loved ones or friends.
One hundred percent of your Eternal Flame Fund gift is restricted for the care and maintenance of the church and campus, and these projects are determined by the Church Properties Committee.

Sanctuary Organ Update

Marvin's Organ Committee has learned that delivery of our new Letourneau pipe organ will be delayed until after Easter of 2026. Several issues have affected the timely delivery of our organ, as well as the two ordered ahead of ours at the Brigham Young University Concert Hall in Provo, Utah, and the St. Charles Avenue Presbyterian Church in New Orleans, Louisiana. These issues include the death of the former owner and President of Letourneau Organs, a mandatory shutdown of all non-essential Canadian businesses during the COVID pandemic, numerous supply chain issues with critical organ components that were outsourced due to the pandemic, and personnel changes in the workforce of skilled cabinet makers and pipe makers at Letourneau.

While the delay is frustrating, there is some advantage to the timing. Vacating the Sanctuary during the organ installation for a few weeks after Easter or during the early summer months will be more convenient for the life of the church than doing so during Lent. Also, a more relaxed installation schedule will allow Jonathan more time to become familiar with the specifics of the new instrument before playing it. Fortunately, we also have strong financial safeguards in a strong, flexible contract with Letourneau, largely due to the hard work of Mary Ann Cozby and Kevin Ferrier.

We continue to monitor the financial strength of Letourneau and it remains solid. All further contractual installment payments will be paid on a "trust but verify" basis involving personal visits to the Letourneau factory in Quebec at critical milestones. A new proposed amendment to the purchase agreement with specific delivery details is being prepared by Letourneau for our review and comments. We believe Marvin's level of satisfaction with the new organ will be similar to that of the faculty and students of Brigham Young University, who are thrilled with their new Letourneau. Dr. Neil Harmon, who serves on the organ faculty at BYU, is very happy with the sound of the instrument, and says the craftsmanship is "great" and that Letourneau did a remarkable job with voicing the organ.

We are thankful to the members of Marvin for their continued support of this important addition to our beautiful, historic Sanctuary, and are excited to experience this masterpiece of musical innovation.

Dear Marvin Family and Friends,

You prayed with us, and you prayed for us. You stood with us and walked with us on this journey. You texted, emailed, and sent cards to encourage, uplift, and support us. You cried tears of sadness and tears of joy with us. You gave us blankets, books, diapers, clothes and toys for Aria. You gave us food, gift cards and gift baskets, and made meals for my family when I was in ICU, and you continued to do so once I was home and lacked the strength to stand and cook. To those outside of Marvin, you added us to your prayer lists, creating a vast network of care and prayer. If we tried to name everyone, we would leave many off the list, but know that we notice you, see you and appreciate all you have done. There truly are no words to describe the depth of our gratitude. Please know how much we love you.

A lesson I've learned over the last few months is that every single day is a gift from God. I had moments of despair when I wondered if I would ever do the things I love again, but I clung to hope, realizing that each day is precious, no matter what it holds. I've learned to be grateful for everything, even the bad things, as they make the good things even better. I learned that people (you) are there for us, even when we cannot see you. That in the end, God is always there, going before us, walking with us, and carrying us when we feel we cannot go on.

Jonathan and I spend our days thankful for my very life, which was spared three times, and my miraculous recovery, which began on Easter Sunday morning! The Lord heard the prayers of His people and the supplication of the faithful as they celebrated His glorious Resurrection! We are grateful for you and pray that the Lord will bless you and keep you, make His face shine upon you, and give you peace.

*With all our love,
Jonathan, Kara, and Aria*



STAFF HIGHLIGHT

Alicia Manfrin

We all take risks in life. Not all risks turn out to be as we hoped for, but sometimes they turn out to be the "best risk we have ever taken". That is exactly what happened when Alicia Manfrin took the position as the Director of Connections at Marvin Methodist Church three years ago.

Alicia always knew she wanted to be in full-time ministry after her experiences in Youth With A Mission, where she began serving right out of high school as a full-time missionary for five years, but she was unsure of what that looked like in a logistical way. The position at Marvin popped up and she thought, "That is way out of my league, but I am going to go for it!"

In her role as Director of Connections, there are no typical days. Each day she gets the opportunity to build relationships with people and help them find spaces to build a relationship with the Lord and the Marvin community.

When asked what she enjoys the most about working at Marvin, there was no hesitation when answering- "Without a second thought, it is the people. Both our staff and the congregation are a huge blessing in my life."

Outside of work, Alicia loves to play games, especially Farkel. She even keeps a set of dice on her at all times in case the opportunity to play Farkel arises. She also enjoys being in nature, thrifting, and spending time with her friends and her cat.



MEMORIALS as of June 4

ETERNAL FLAME

In memory of Jean Blackmon
Paula & John Perkins

In memory of Hardy Collins
Emily Smith

In memory of Gloria Williams
Seekers Class

In memory of Pat Blakely
In memory of Chuck Jones

In honor of Janelle & Tim Edwards
Unity Class

KIDS

In honor of Melissa & Randy Caraway
Seekers Class

MARVIN METHODIST FOUNDATION

In memory of Barbara Love
Barbara Bass

MISSIONS

In memory of Barbara Love
Paula & John Perkins

In honor of Marvin Menders
In honor of Su Plunkett

Ann Head
In honor of Ann & Jay Riley
Seekers Class

MUSIC

In memory of Casey Brownlow
Janet Tyner



MISSIONS

Thank you for your continued support of neighbors in need

Your donations to the NOAH Fund and the Dollar Club give tangible help to those in our community and in our congregation who are struggling this summer.



Habits of the Heart: Supporting Christmas Joy @Marvin

Bring a new unwrapped gift for a child 0-17, valued at \$20, to be used in our Christmas Joy Shop in December as a main part of our outreach to needy families at Christmas.



Next Serve Night Monday, Sept. 15, 6 p.m.

Remember – no Serve Nights in June, July or August.



Ways to Serve

Sweets for the Soul: Monday, July 14



July 19, 11 a.m.
W.T. Brookshire Conference Center

Marvin volunteers are needed to help with simple kid's games from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Sizzling Summer Missions

Ways to Serve this Summer



Click and Send

We want to see you! Take a pic of you and your family serving this summer and share it with us! Send your pictures to spogue@marvin.church

St. Paul Children's Services

Khakis for Kids & Sneakers for Students – Packing Distribution Days

Volunteers are needed every Tuesday and Thursday (July 1–Aug. 14) from 1–5 p.m. Contact Crystal at SPCS for more information csmoker@stpaulchildren.org

Summer Lunch Program Every Monday–Thursday 10:15–11:45 a.m.

East Texas Food Bank will be serving lunch to neighborhood kids at Andrew's Park at SPCS. Volunteers needed each day to help coordinate and distribute lunches. Contact Crystal at SPCS for more information csmoker@stpaulchildren.org



Hwy 80 Rescue Mission

The Tyler day shelter needs bottled water. You can deliver to Marvin or directly to Gateway to Hope at 601 E. Valentine in Tyler.



Medical Professionals

Do you work in the medical profession? Retired from the medical profession? We are looking for new ways to serve with the new UT Medical School at Tyler. If you are interested in learning more about how to get involved, contact Adam Kovach at akovach@marvin.church

*For Love Thy City,
Marvin Missions supplied:*

- 20 Box Fans
- 120 Boxes of Crayola Crayons
- 2,000 #2 Pencils
- 150 packages of wide ruled notebook paper
- 720 blue/black pens



LMI in Central Asia

Debbie Lascelles and a team from LMI (Love Mercy International) recently returned from their trip to Central Asia. During that trip they had plans to start a sewing school like they had done previously in India. However, because of the conversations they had, the people they met with, and the skills already available, they decided it would be better to start a beauty school. They are now deep into the planning stages for how to begin that journey. It is so fun to watch the way God can (and does) use our talents for His glory, whether that is evangelism, church planting, sewing dresses, or working in a beauty shop. Please pray for LMI and this new ministry opportunity.

Also, during their time there, they met with Refugees, Muslims, Pakistanis, and others from remote people groups. They were also able to hand out Bibles to all the women in their native languages, including one woman who had been praying for over 5 years to receive a bible in her native language. Another Muslim woman they shared the gospel with responded positively and decided to accept Christ as her Savior. Such a powerful reminder that as we work and pray for the city of Tyler, God is also working and moving around the globe!

Upcoming Opportunities to Learn About the Future of Missions with the GMC Trinity Conference

Saturday, Aug. 9 from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

During the morning session (9–11 a.m.) Dr. Darrel Whiteman will lead us through the biblical and theological understanding of cross-cultural ministry. Dr. Whiteman was professor of cultural anthropology and later dean of the E. Stanley Jones School of World Mission and Evangelism at Asbury Theological Seminary for 21 years, and Vice President and Resident Missiologist at The Mission Society in Atlanta, Georgia for nine years. He has incredible insight and knowledge to help churches move into this area with confidence and clarity.

After the morning session, there will be a time for lunch before the afternoon session begins with Dr. Rev. Ashley Goad and Rev. Jon Thornsby presenting the practical nuts and bolts of being in partnership and how as a conference we want to equip and empower churches to have successful and sustainable partnerships with churches in Panama and Tanzania based on deepening relationships.

A Bright New Future for Downtown Tyler

See the graphic below for information and timelines for downtown Tyler's amazing planned transformation!

DOWNTOWN TYLER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

For over 35 years, Downtown revitalization has been a topic of conversation among private and public entities. Through community stakeholder meetings and studies, the Downtown Improvement Plan was created as a result of community-wide feedback and need-based design. Improvements to Downtown will support existing development accommodate projected growth.

Through a partnership with Smith County, Downtown Tyler will become a shared place for events, families, and community gatherings!

HOW TO BE INVOLVED

Look out for open house meetings to attend, and follow our social media to find information on traffic routes and construction updates.

WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT?

-  **STREAMLINED TRAFFIC FLOW**
-  **COMMUNITY FRIENDLY SPACES**
-  **WIDER SIDEWALKS**
-  **OPTIMIZED PARKING LAYOUT**
-  **PUBLIC RESTROOMS**

CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE

Fall 2025 - Fall 2026

Sidewalks & Streets
West of Broadway



Fall 2026 - Winter 2027

Sidewalks & Streets
East of Broadway

Fall 2026 - Summer 2027

Green Space
(West of Broadway)



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WHO ARE YOU INVITING?

METHODIST MISSION WEEK 2025



32+ PROJECTS PLANNED, MANNED & COMPLETED

279+ VOLUNTEERS, SEVEN CHURCHES PARTICIPATING





It's time for our Marvin Kids and Families Pop Ups

This summer every Wednesday from 6–8 p.m. you will find us at places like Bahama Bucks, Andy's, AMC and Grand Slam, and more! Our Marvin Kids Pop Up events create meaningful opportunities for families and children to connect, grow in faith, and build lasting relationships within our church community. These special moments are only possible because of your generous gifts of time, energy, and financial support—thank you for helping us make a lasting impact on the lives of our youngest members.



Summer POPUPS

WEDNESDAYS in July. 6–8 p.m.

July 2: Andy's on Broadway

July 9: VBS Work Night
Marvin/Pirtle Hall
snack & childcare provided

July 23: iJump
\$17 per person, snack provided
July 30: Grand Slam Movie Night
Lilo & Stitch, tickets provided

J.C.&ME



VBS is HERE! Let's LIVE IT OUT together!

LIVE IT OUT

VBS Work Day

July 8 & 10, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Help us bring the church to life as we prep for a great week of VBS. Bring your lunch and a friend and join us! Nursery provided.

VBS

July 14–17, 8:30 a.m.–noon

For completed K to 5th grade
(Pre-K VBS available for volunteers)

The adventure awaits! Gather your gear, pack your bag, and get ready as we make this year's VBS an unforgettable experience as we discover how to love like Jesus!

Celebration Sunday!

July 20, 11 a.m.–1 p.m.

Let's celebrate all God has done during the week of VBS with a morning of kids leading in worship, inflatables, face painting, and more!

STUDENTS

The Student Ministry has had an Incredible Beginning to the Summer!

Our Summer focus is building deeper and stronger relationships with others and the Lord. Our prayer is that this spurs an even greater Fall semester by creating unity among all the students.

Middle School Jam started on Tuesday Nights from 6–8 p.m. and continues all the way through July! Students have a meal, worship time, devotional, and then small group discussions before playing games.

High School Lakeside started on Wednesday Nights, also from 6–8 p.m. The students go out on boats, graciously driven by Marvin members, and tube, raft, and just enjoy the ride! After the lake, they eat and do a Bible study together. It's been a fantastic time!





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**Welcome
to Marvin**



Joseph
Adams



Christy, Eric
and John Guyer



Rebecca and
Gary Bouse



Donna and
Jim Epley



Jennifer and Jason
Young