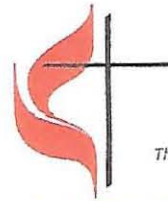


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## *The Kedron Connection*

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### From our Pastor:

As I write, it's beginning to get late. I'm sitting in my chair, waiting on a phone call from a friend who had to leave work and go to the ER earlier in the day. My friend has had a couple of tests and still has had no word of the results. She has no close family, and has been on her own for quite a number of years.

It's frustrating, isn't it, to be faced with something unknown-something that may change the course of your life, maybe signal the end of your life. At this point, my friend knows nothing. Maybe by the time you read this, we'll know the cause of the problem.

Of course, I'm worried about my friend; but the point I want to make is that life takes unexpected turns. It's happened before to all of us, but it still takes us off guard. And when it does, it can wreck even the most steady life. It's not only frustrating; it makes us question everything we thought contributed to what we thought was a secure life.

I feel helpless because my friend would not let me jump in the car and head to Nashville. But, I'm not helpless; nor is she. I still have a powerful and readily accessible tool for dealing with such situations. And, that tool is **prayer**.

I make it a point to pray every day. I often have little prayers throughout the day; but my major prayer time is just after I get in bed at night-before I begin to read anything. However, this afternoon, I began to pray for my friend when I learned of her trouble.

In this situation, prayer accomplishes several things. First, it doesn't let God know the situation. God already knows. But, it does let God know that others care and want to join in the cause. Second, when I told the friend, she knew that she was not alone. It reminded her that God was there, and that someone else cares. Third, it helped calm me.

I know you know all of this, but sometimes it's good to be reminded-because we never know when we are going to be caught unaware. **Remember prayer.**

May God richly bless you,

Michael O'Bannon, Pastor

### Administrative Council

Our Administrative council will meet  
On January 15th, 2023 at 1pm.

### Fellowship Supper

November 2nd, 2022 at 6:30 pm please bring  
a covered dish.

### Men's Breakfast

November 5th, 2022 at 8:00 am will be our  
Men's Breakfast..

### Bucket Offering

Our ~~October~~ bucket offering taken on Sunday  
~~nov.~~ Morning worship service will be donated to: Food  
Bank

### Food Bank

You may bring food donations for the local food  
Bank on the 1st and 2nd Sundays of the month.  
Place the donations on the pew in the narthex.  
The food will be delivered to the food bank. The  
suggested item for November is **soup**. All  
non-perishable foods are accepted and  
appreciated.

### Happy Birthday

Pastor O'Bannon	Nov. 5th
Mary Lou Thomas	Nov. 11th
Gaylord Dorn	Nov. 12th
B. L. Rhodes	Nov. 12th
Mary Vanderkooi	Nov. 16th

### Happy Anniversary

Loren & Mary Vanderkooi Nov. 2nd



### November Calendar

Wed. Nov 2nd 6:30pm Fellowship supper

Sat. Nov. 5th, 8:00 am Men's Breakfast

Sun. Nov. 6th, 8:45 am Sunday School  
9:30 am Church Services

Sun. Nov 13th, 8:45 am Sunday School  
9:30am Church Services

Sun Nov. 20th 8:45 am Sunday School  
9:30 am Church Services

Thursday Nov. 24th- Happy Thanksgiving

Sunday Nov. 27th 8:45 am Sunday School  
9:30 am Church Services

December 2022 newsletter info due to Dee  
by

November 26th 615-574-9320 or  
[ddrouse10@gmail.com](mailto:ddrouse10@gmail.com)

### Resources Available

Resources for various kinds of help/support for  
you or someone you know that might benefit  
from counseling and/or spiritual support are  
listed below.

Insight Counseling Center, Murfreesboro  
615-383-2115 for in person or online/phone  
counseling.

Upper Room Prayer Ministry 615-340-7200

Talkspace.com Online/phone counseling

### Methodist News Source

[www.umnews.org](http://www.umnews.org)

Stones River District Office

P O Box 12191

Murfreesboro, TN37129



The church will be sponsoring another family for Christmas this year through the Child Advocacy Center. Anyone that would like to donate cash or help purchase gifts for the family let Dee or Sue know. The church budgets around \$100 per family member and we usually sponsor a family of 4-5. As we all know \$100 does not go as far as it used to.



The family of Glen Tucker Jackson wants to express our deep appreciation for the kindness and support we have received from everyone at Kedron during our time of deep sadness. Please continue to keep our family in your prayers.

Thank you,  
Gary and Reba



The Youth Formation class finished up in October. Everyone that participated received a certificate and a new Bible.

# THANKSGIVING



# WORD SEARCH

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Blessings	Family	Harvest	Pumpkin Pie	Tradition
Corn	Feast	Indians	Stuffing	Turkey
Cornucopia	Gather	November	Sweet Potatoes	
Cranberry	Gratitude	Pilgrims	Thanksgiving	