



Ellisville First Methodist Church

June 2026

From Bro. Mark

“A KINGDOM MOMENT”

It was an ordinary Sunday, and the usher was taking up the offering to an upbeat tune played by the organist. Apparently, he was really getting into the music because there was a bounce and a rhythm to his steps. Though everyone noticed it, he seemed blissfully unaware. Such are the ingredients of a spirit-filled act.

One thing led to another, and well, let's just say the congregation started clapping... though it was unclear if they were keeping time with the music or with the usher! Then came the finale (there's always a finale to things like this). He approached the pew where the oldest member of the congregation was sitting. This patriarch of the church had never passed up an opportunity to stand and give a witness to the Lord. So, not to be outdone, when the plate was extended to him, instead of taking it, he took the usher's hand, stepped out into the aisle and started dancing! At that moment, as these grown men danced together in the aisle, it was anyone's guess what might come next!

This was a *Kingdom moment*, a great example of what it's like when the will of God is being “*done on earth as it is in heaven.*” These moments are the zest of life. They transform the ordinary into the extraordinary, and apparently anything can be used to create them. Of course, how could you expect anything less from the Holy Spirit who is the great orchestrator of such things!

The Apostle Paul once said, “*Behold now is the acceptable time, behold now is the day of salvation!*” In the same spirit, we embrace our present circumstances as opportunities for the Holy Spirit to do something extraordinary in our midst!

May we follow the good example of this church usher and patriarch. Like the usher, let us be willing to do things in a fresh, new way. Like the patriarch, when the opportunity is extended, let us take it by the hand and do something original with it. Kingdom moments are fast and fleeting. Some only come by once.

“What I say to you, I say to all, keep ready!” (Mark 13:37)

Grace and Peace,

Bro. Mark

Volunteers for June

Children's Church

June 7 — Tracy Haynes
June 14 — Jesse & Lauren Napier
June 21 — Joanna Cooley
June 28 — Lindy Farmer (music)

Audio/Visual Technicians

June 7 — Garrett Mixon & Gary Herring
June 14 — Garrett Mixon & John Wesley Longwitz
June 21 — Garrett Mixon & Chad Garick
June 28 — Garrett Mixon & Marley Mixon

Acolytes

June 7 — Mae Walley & Liza Endom
June 14 — Haynes Walley & Merritt Cooley
June 21 — Whitley & McKinley Manning
June 28 — Archer Manning & Reagan Abercrombie

June Birthdays

6 - Matthew Endom
10 - Gail Gable
11 - Than Garick
16 - Mark Anderson
19 - Pat Holifield
Chris Stone
22 - Jerry Lyon
25 - Mark Covington
27 - Whitley Manning
30 - Missy Garretson

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

9:30 AM Sunday School for All Ages
10:45 AM Morning Worship
5:00 PM Celebrate Recovery

Tuesday

10:00 AM Hallowed Grounds Coffee Club

Wednesday Night Schedule

6:00 PM Prayer Service

June Meetings

Methodist Men - Sunday, June 7, 8:00 a.m.

Church-wide Vote - Sunday, June 7 after morning
worship service

Prayer List

Aline Anderson – Surgery recovery
Kitty Bounds – Homebound
Shari Bryan – Cancer treatments
Terry & Marilyn Buckhault – Homebound
Sue & Charlie Coker – Homebound
Cathy Dean – Homebound
Sandy East – Surgery recovery
Mac Haynes – JCRH Rm 109
Charles Hollingshead – JCRH Rm 608
Joann McKenzie – Homebound
Frances Munn – Homebound
Frances Reynolds – Homebound
Jeanne Reynolds – Cancer treatments
Dave Robertson – Homebound
Joan Robertson – Surgery recovery
Dwight Sanders – JCRH Rm 107
Walt Therrell – Bedford Care, Hattiesburg
Diann Walters – Comfort Care Nursing Center
Jan & Jerry Wansley – Jerry is on the 3rd floor of
FGH for rehab
Trisha Winship – Recent hospitalization

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MYSTERY TRIP



Senior Adults' Mystery Trip

Tuesday, June 2

Bus departs at 10:00 a.m.

Sign-up sheet on table in hallway
behind sanctuary



June 22-25

5:30-8:00 p.m.

SUMMER ADVENTURES WITH EFMC KIDS!

Get ready and mark your calendars for all of the faith-filled and fun opportunities happening with **EFMC Kids** during June and July! There is something for *EVERY* child and family to enjoy this summer!

***Vacation Bible School – Rainforest Falls**

Join us Monday, June 22nd through Thursday, June 25th at 5:30 pm each afternoon for an exciting week of Vacation Bible School, as we explore the Nature of God together! Children of all ages are invited to experience four unforgettable evenings filled with Bible stories, crafts, science activities, games, and yummy snacks. VBS is always one of the highlights of the summer, and you will not want your child to miss the fun and excitement. ** Volunteers are still needed to help make this special week a success! **

***Mom’s Morning Out or In**

Something new is coming to EFMC this summer! Join us for Mom’s Morning Out or In on June 12th & 19th and July 10th & 17th from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm at EFMC. Each morning will include a Bible story, hands-on activities, and games centered around a fun theme designed especially for kids. Parents are welcome to drop off their child(ren) while running errands or taking a little time for themselves, or they may choose to stay, relax, and enjoy fellowship and conversation with other moms.

** Please Scan the QR Code to REGISTER. This will help us have an accurate estimate of how many kiddos to expect as we plan for crafts, snacks, and activities! **



***Summer Splash Sundays**

This summer, make Sunday School part of your family’s adventures at 9:30 am with Summer Splash Sundays! Kids of all ages are invited to enjoy an hour filled with engaging lessons, exciting activities, music, and creative crafts. Our goal is for EFMC Kids to grow in faith, build lasting friendships, and discover that learning about Jesus is the greatest adventure of all.

If you have ideas, questions, or would like to volunteer, please contact Alaina Garick at 601-498-4886