



THE WEEKDAY MESSENGER



Weekday Ministries
Child Care Center

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Celebrating Our Past

On July 4th, we remember our nation's history.

We teach our children history for many reasons. For one, people are naturally curious about where they came from. For another, history helps explain why things are the way they are today. Some say we study history so that we are not doomed to repeat its mistakes.

Granted, our littlest ones are too young to appreciate the area's historical attractions. But armed with a picnic lunch, there are excursions that can be enjoyed by the entire family.

Nemacolin Castle in Brownsville sits on the site of early Native American villages and pioneer trading posts. It is on the fringe of the beautiful Laurel Highlands overlooking the Monongahela River. Tours are available.

Fort Necessity, General Braddock's grave and Washington Tavern are located on National Road, Rte. 40, the oldest federal highway, constructed to connect the Potomac and Ohio Rivers between 1811 and 1837. The fort and tavern are examples of some of the history you can enjoy along the route.

Hanna's Town near Greensburg established the first English court west of the Alleghenies and played an important role in the Revolutionary War. It is a reconstructed frontier village depicting life in 1793.

Old Economy Village in Ambridge shows the life of people around 1825 living in Christian community. Many of these communal societies (Quakers, Shakers, Hutterites, etc.) are part of our nation's history.

Closer to home, Woodville Plantation in Bridgeville depicts life around 1775; Meadowcroft Rock Shelter in Avella is the oldest known site of human habitation in North America, dating back 19,000 years. There is also an historic village there portraying early frontier life. The Oliver Miller Homestead in South Park is open every Sunday for self-guided tours showing life around 1742 and the Whiskey Rebellion of 1794.

Summer Notes

We will be closed July 4th and 5th for the Independence Day weekend. Vacation days are published in the parent handbook a year in advance, as well as posted in several locations throughout the building.

Children are continuing to transition from Jr. Pre-K into Sr. Pre-K as space allows. Sadly, Carmela is out for an undetermined amount of time. We are doing our best to cover the Pre-K rooms as effectively as possible. We are collecting cards for Carmela. We also ask for your prayers for a speedy and complete recovery.

Please turn in an updated immunization form every time your child receives shots. The state requires we monitor immunization records. This includes a new mandate for flu vaccines.

The church is sponsoring Vacation Bible School from July 29th through August 2nd. It starts at 9:30 am and ends at 11:30 am each day. Children ages 4 through 5th grade are invited. The theme this year is "Roar." Life can be wild, scary, unfair, sad or happy. However, God is always good! A form will be sent home with registration information. Pre-registration will guarantee a spot for your child.



God Says

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, ¹⁵ and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the servant of God^[a] may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:14-17

Classroom Highlights

Four of our babies are turning 1 year old this month!

Supertots are learning about the ocean, crabs, fish, beaches and sharks. They are also celebrating July 4th.

Tiny Tots are learning about transportation, how God made the sun, moon and stars, celebrating the birthday of the USA and appreciating summer.

Older Toddlers are learning that God created fish; that there are creatures that live in water; National Ice Cream Day; Independence Day; and all about the beach.

Both Pre-K classes are working on the 4th of July/Independence Day themes as well as learning about the ocean. They typically separate at 9 am to go to their individual classes for their own circle times and lessons. They combine around 4:30 when numbers are low.

Please keep us informed about vacation plans. It helps us when scheduling staff and planning lessons.

Important Reminders

1. Everything must be labeled!
2. We must send children home with fever, diarrhea, unexplained rashes or vomiting.
3. Tuition checks must be made out to MLUMC and are **due by the 15th of the month**. Automatic withdrawals are available from checking, savings or credit card accounts. See the director for an authorization form.
4. We close at 6:00 PM and will charge you late fees after that.
5. Visit www.mlumc.org and click on "Child Care Center" for the Parent Handbook, tuition fees and Child Health Report form required for well-child checkups.

Special Dates

July

4th & 5th

CLOSED for Independence Day



Children:	Everett F.	7/9	1 year
	Jacob H.	7/13	1 year
	Hudson S.	7/14	2 year3
	Liam P.	7/18	4 years
	Jude A.	7/20	3 years
	Cameron S.	7/26	1 year
	Isaac T.	7/28	1 year
Teachers:	Carol M.	7/6	
	Kayla O.	7/6	
	Karen P.	7/11	
	Annie N.	7/18	



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Vacation Bible School for children 4 years through 5th grade will be held 7/29-8/2. Register with paper or online. www.mlumc.org

Don't miss it!