

THE POINTER

April 21, 2026



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I suppose we've all heard the saying "time flies when you are having fun." We must be having the time of our lives because Vacation Bible School is less than 7 weeks away! That's right, happening right here at West Point First UMC June 8-11! That short break following Easter has been just enough to catch our breath and get us ready to go again.

This year's theme is **God's Faith Farm**, based on a curriculum called *Animal Crackers* from Heifer International, which will also be our designated mission that week. The kids and their leaders will look at life on the farm as we explore God's goodness and celebrate the faith that fuels our journey through this life. All of this happens through worship, story time, group activities, crafts, and mission participation.

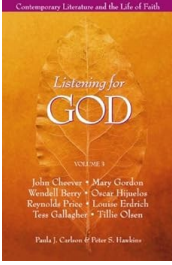
This is an amazing outreach opportunity in providing this free VBS for our community, all because of your generosity. But there's more for you to do, first by inviting all the kids you know because your outreach to the community is a key part of VBS. (Registration info will be on the website soon!) Secondly, sign up to serve as a small group leader, to serve snacks, or help with games and crafts by calling the church office. Finally, every one of us (yes, that includes YOU!) can be in prayer for VBS, the kids who will participate, and all who will lead and serve in any way. It's a privilege to serve alongside you and share God's story with others.

God's peace, Pastor Ed



SAVE THE DATE FOR
VBS


June 8-11
5:30—8:00 pm
God's Faith Farm



**Listening for God, Volume 3
Lunch and Learn**

Short stories/discussion; Each week stands alone.
Wednesdays at 12 noon in the Banquet Room
8 weeks, beginning May 6
Call the office to sign up!

JOIN US FOR A
Baby Shower



**In honor of Lacey Porterfield
May 2, 2026, 4:00 pm
West Point FUMC
Hosted by Friends**

Please RSVP to 762-319-2892

**Registered at Amazon—
Lacey Porterfield**



Camden Jade Smith, daughter of Haley and Reynolds Smith, received the sacrament of Holy Baptism on Sunday, April 19, 2026. We welcome her as the newest baptized member of our church family!



The mission of West Point First United Methodist Church is to invite all people to become disciples of Jesus Christ, to grow through God's Word and by the power of the Holy Spirit in a caring congregation, and to serve God by sharing His love in our community and the world.

MAY Birthdays

- May 2:** Frank Wilcox **May 13:** Terri Culpepper
- May 2:** Roman Frank **May 18:** Calie Martin
- May 5:** Alice Zachry **May 19:** Karen Hill
- May 7:** Karlie Martin **May 26:** Sandy Fitts
- May 9:** Gloria Wilcox **May 26:** Ellen Sapp
- May 11:** Ashley Owen **May 27:** Joanne Mabrey



Happy birthday to Marilyn Stokes on April 24!



Join the Daytrippers on Tuesday, May 19, as we visit The Little White House in Warm Springs, with lunch at the fabulous Bulloch House. We will depart the Zachry Center parking lot at 9:30 am.



Cost: \$10 for admission, plus money for lunch
Call the office to sign up!



- 4-22:** Chicken Bacon Ranch, Veggies
- 4-29:** Chicken Cordon Bleu, Veggies
- 5-6:** Chicken Tetrazzini, Veggies
- 5-13:** Beef Stroganoff, Veggies
- 5-20:** Cold Salad Plate
- 5-27:** Spaghetti

*Each week's menu includes salad bar, rolls, and dessert.

**Manager's Choice Veggies if not specified.



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HOW CAN we Pray FOR YOU?

Prayer Concerns:

Sarah Auler, Neil Barr, Margaret Bartlett, Bentley Bryant, Sharon Cowart, Hamp Ferguson, Marie Fuller, Jacob Grubbs, Al and Jackie Hammer, George and Diane Hester, Cindy Smith Huff, Nell Oates, Katherine Parker, Laura Pratesi, Barbara Ruddick, Mona Sikander, Lisa Ann Soehnel, Nelle Sturdivant, Pam Borders Vaughan, Faye Williams, World Conflicts, Our Country, Unspoken Requests, Victims of violence, Victims of fire and natural disaster, Those suffering from dementia and their families, Congregations and Clergy with new appointments

Stepping Up to the Plate...

We're thrilled to be sponsoring a youth baseball team again this season in the 6U T-Ball Recreation League! It is our hope that involvement in these sports will help for building character, teaching teamwork, and fostering a greater sense of community. Check out the schedule below and show up to support and cheer on the players as they learn, grow, and play. Please note that we also have other youth playing this season in different age groups on different nights. We encourage you to reach out to our families directly concerning their children's schedules so that you can make plans to attend and support them.



Click [here](#) for the 6U schedule.

Opportunities to Learn and Grow

BIBLE Study
Mondays at 4 pm

KIDS CLASSES
Wednesdays at 6 pm

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST FRIDAYS AT 6:45 AM

Sunday SCHOOL