

JUNE 2025



# MAPLES MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



## Maples Men's Ministry Golf Tournament

The Maples Men's Ministry Annual Golf Tournament at Olive Branch Country Club was a great success, raising \$6,000! The rain stopped just in time for the shotgun start at 1PM for 16 teams to battle on the course to be crowned champions. Congratulations to the Ben Larsen team for coming in first place. The teams enjoyed a lunch provided by Ben Vaughn's Sow Project, and then barbeque after a day of golf. Thank you to everyone who participated, worked at, and supported Maples Men's Ministry!

## Dates to Remember

June 3.....	Rook Club
.....	Men's Softball game at 7:40 pm (field 10)
June 4-7.....	Mississippi Annual Conference at Millsaps
June 5.....	Men's Softball game at 7:40 pm (field 9)
June 8.....	Vacation Bible School prep day
June 9-12.....	Vacation Bible School
June 10.....	Men's Softball game at 7:40 pm (field 10)
June 12.....	Olive Branch Food Pantry
June 15.....	Father's Day
June 17.....	Rook Club
June 18.....	Summer Connection Groups
June 21.....	Maples Men's Ministry meeting
June 22.....	M28 Meeting
June 25.....	Summer Connection Groups
June 29.....	Summer Youth Night

## Monthly Budget Offering Reports (designated giving excluded)

June 2024.....	\$45,556.35	December.....	\$98,940.66
July.....	\$53,403.86	January 2025.....	\$46,942.25
August.....	\$45,383.40	February.....	\$47,207.41
September.....	\$39,787.50	March.....	\$51,311.04
October.....	\$45,445.00	April.....	\$43,443.70
November.....	\$51,648.25	May.....	\$34,161.99

## Weekly Attendance/Budget Giving Reports

	Sunday School	Worship Services	Giving
May 4.....	47.....	165.....	\$9,308.00
May 11.....	42.....	137.....	\$4,080.00
May 18.....	62.....	135.....	\$3,790.00
May 25.....	129.....	53.....	\$5,523.00

## Sunday Morning Volunteers in June

### *Traditions Worship Ushers/Greeters:*

- June 1** .....Ushers: Ryan Barnes, Ashley Bowlan, Larry Bright and Pat Dorr. **Greeter:** Jeanette Wallace.
- June 8** .....Ushers: Eason Treadway, Ron Tucker, Ryan Barnes and Ashley Bowlan. **Greeter:** Elizabeth Sanders.
- June 15** ....Ushers: Larry Bright, Pat Dorr, Eason Treadway and Ron Tucker. **Greeter:** Jill Sitton.
- June 22** ....Ushers: Pat Dorr, Ashley Bowlan, Larry Bright and Pat Dorr. **Greeter:** Shannon Suttlemyre.
- June 29** ....Ushers: Eason Treadway, Ron Tucker, Ryan Barnes and Ashley Bowlan. **Greeter:** Earnestine Turner.

## Prayer Concerns

- Home Bound:** Carol McOlgan; Margaret Peden.
- Military:** Jadzia Pacenza; Mary Murphy; Adam Kirchoff; Connor Tapley; Aaron James; Jimarco White; Ben Vanderburg; Emma Magnuson; Josh Tow; Matthew Roach; Alexandra Raburn.
- Other Requests:** Brenda Roberts; Gayle Spencer; Shelly Kennedy; Mike Rogers; Pam & Andy Roffler; Theresa Owens; Dennis Treadway; Jon Lott; Tobey & Rose Tobey.

Please contact the church office or let a staff member know if you or a family member have any upcoming surgeries scheduled or you know of someone in the hospital.

## June Birthdays

- June 3:** Amelia Lane  
Jim Meurer
- June 5:** Heather Bradham
- June 6:** Wilson Webster  
Ava Joyce Fortenberry
- June 7:** Ty Hardin
- June 10:** Joey Lott
- June 14:** Rachel Farabee  
Tanner Walhood
- June 18:** Chris Rice
- June 20:** Ronnie Downs  
Loren Nelson
- June 23:** Meghan White
- June 25:** "Tobey" Tobey
- June 26:** Jennifer Powell

Contact the church office if your name is not on the birthday list.

## Ministry Opportunities

### **Little Free Pantry**

Maples' provides this resource to anyone anytime - day or night. You can sign up at [mapleschurch.org](http://mapleschurch.org) to fill the pantry on a particular day or if you are unable to commit to signing up to fill the pantry, please know you are always welcome to swing by and drop off a few items without signing up.

### **M25 Ministries**

M25 Ministries, formally known as Matthew 25 Ministries, is currently collecting mosquito spray, money designated for bus passes, and travel size toiletries. Contact Rev. Ashley Ford at 901-606-1553 or at [sixfred@gmail.com](mailto:sixfred@gmail.com) if you are interested in going downtown and helping. Checks can be made payable to M25 Ministries and mailed to Pleasant Hill UMC, 3787 Pleasant Hill Rd., Olive Branch, MS 38654.

### **Olive Branch Food Pantry**

Maples serves at the Olive Branch Food Panty the second Thursday of each month from 5:45-8:00 p.m. The pantry is located at 10947 Hwy 178.

## Memorials Received

### *In memory of John Hill*

**By:** Lent & Gail Ross  
Jim & Annelle Rose

### *In memory of Jim Meurer*

**By:** Jill Sitton

### *In memory of Leona Chrestman*

**By:** Jill Sitton





## Egypt, Joseph's Journey from Prison to Palace

This year for vacation Bible school we will be traveling to Egypt and exploring the life of Joseph! Everyone will participate in a memorable Bible-times marketplace, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, dig into Egyptian eats, and visit Joseph in prison and then in his palace home. As we travel and learn, everyone will be looking for evidence of God all around them every day. Join us for this epic adventure full of blessings and God's brilliance! To participate or volunteer, please visit [www.mapleschurch.org/vbs-2025](http://www.mapleschurch.org/vbs-2025) If you are looking to help us recreate Egypt inside our church space, please sign up for our decorating team at the information desk.

If you are feeling led to donate to vacation Bible school, please visit the giving page on our website: [www.mapleschurch.org](http://www.mapleschurch.org). We will also be accepting sheets, fabric, blankets, pottery, and bales of hay for decorating and will be creating an Amazon wish list for other items. This VBS is going to be amazing!



## Confirmation Sunday

May 18 was Confirmation Sunday when we were blessed to celebrate our newest confirmed members into the church family. Walker Webster was confirmed during the 9:00 am service, and Isaac Bass, Colin Robinson and Elizabeth Sanders during the 11:00 am service. Colin was also baptized. The confirmands received a wooden cross from Jerusalem and a hand painted card from Maples Women's Group.

## Baccalaureate Sunday

We had the opportunity to celebrate and honor our senior class of 2025 during the 11:00 am service on May 25. The seniors received a Bible as well as a card and keyring from Maples Women's Group. Congratulations to the Class of 2025: Tyler Barnes, Sam Thomas, Gracie Jefferson and Andrew Sparks.



## Congratulations to Christi Rice!

Christi recently completed her studies at Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, earning the degree of Masters of Arts in Youth Ministry. We are so proud of Christi and excited to have her continue her ministry here at Maples Memorial UMC!



## Maples Kids Ministry

Maples kids personally deliver birthday cards and donuts to Sunday School members who have celebrated their birthdays during the month. Pictured is Jeanette Wallace choosing her donut!



## Maples Sewing Group

A group of sewers meet each week at Maples and they offered to sew tunics for VBS. They have worked very hard and completed 40 tunics! We are very grateful for this group of ladies!

## Maples Men's Ministry Golf Tournament Hole Sponsorships

2 Crazy Fellas

Aaron Hatch

Alfa Insurance

American Electric Contractors

Amy Lynn Patterson - Crye-Leike

Bankplus

Bright Construction Company

Cadence Bank

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Luxe Barberhouse

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Maples Joy Seekers Class

Maples Outreach Class

Maples Wesleyan Class

Maples Young Adult Class

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The Pacenza Family

The Sow Project

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**Senior Pastor**, Rev. Kerry Powell • **Worship Arts Pastor**, Dr. Joey Lott

**Director of Children & Family Ministries**, Christi Rice • **Interim Youth Minister**, Eason Treadway

**Administrative Secretary**, Gail Ross • **Organist**, Allen Sanders • **Instrumentalist**, Nelson Coile

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