



Hawkins United Methodist Church

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Saturday, July 13, 2024, Former President Trump was speaking at a political rally in Butler, PA. Fortunately, Former President Trump did a quick turn of his head to reference a slide for the audience to view, and with that simple turn of the head, a bullet missed a fatal shot.

Regardless of what political party you may support, I think we can all be thankful to God that things did not turn out as bad as the shooter intended. Unfortunately, a man by the name of Cory Comperatore was shot and killed, while he tried to protect his family by laying his body on top of his family during the shooting. Also, two additional individuals were critically wounded, and we pray for their recovery. The news media reported that Cory was a firefighter, and a strong Christian, who attended church every Sunday.

In a moment, life can change.

The older I get the more I realize the value of life and moments here on this earth will not last forever. We need to prepare now for eternity because life is very fragile.

YOUR witness for Christ matters! Continue to be faithful and serve others and Christ faithfully, knowing there may be someone that you meet at work or church that may only have that “moment” to experience Christ before eternity.

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Perhaps that is why God calls us to take the time out of our busy schedules to care for one another. Caring for souls impacts our physical, emotional, and spiritual health as well as our relationship with God and people. Our care for souls - starts with our need for care. We need God, and we need other people. Maturity develops as we take the time to interact with God and others. Hawkins UMC seeks to create this interconnected group of people who entrust themselves to Christ and to each other at WOW (Word On Wednesday) or The Thursday Bible Study. **WOW will start back Wednesday, September 4**, at 5:30 with a Fellowship meal followed by our study at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall and **The Thursday Bible Study will begin Thursday, September 5**, at 9:30 a.m. in the Church Library. As we take the time to bring our struggles to the Lord and to each other our souls can be strengthened, and our families and friends will witness God’s wisdom and healing presence in our lives.

To care for each other’s souls, we will study a book that was recommended by Mrs. Lin Cheslek, called “Total Forgiveness” by R. T. Kendall. This study will take us on a journey of total forgiveness, identifying the benefits and stages of forgiveness, the alternatives to forgiveness, a practical way you can liberate your heart from unforgiveness from the past. Forgiveness is one of the most important teachings of the New Testament, and yet it’s perhaps the one we struggle with the most.

Come join us!
Rev. Harrell Moore.



- 1 – Andrea Weaver
- 2 - Bill Miller
- 4 - Cathy Walters
Jaycee James
George Nasif
- 7 - Jan Bellman
- 12 - Cade Walters
- 14 - Abigail Harper
- 17 - Harper McAlpin
- 18 - Linda Parker
- 20 - Vickye Daily
- 28 - Janet Chisolm
- 30 - Cathie Newton
Pete Cordrey
- 31 - Kalindi Sibal



Administrative Council will meet Monday, September 9th at 5:30 PM in the fellowship hall.



Teresa is collecting photos for the new church directory. If you attend Hawkins Church, please send Teresa a photo so we can include it. You do not need to be a member to be included in the directory. We want a directory of everyone who attends. This is how we get to know one another! If you're wondering if you should send your photo, then the answer is Yes! Please text your photo to (601) 642-5276 or email: teresa@hawkinsumc.org. You may also bring a photo to the church office and it will be returned to you.

On July 28th, Teresa will stay a few minutes after the morning worship service to take pictures for anyone who would like their photo taken for the directory and doesn't already have a photo they want to use. Just meet her at the front of the sanctuary at the end of the service.

Please help us make this the best directory by participating!



Handbells will start practicing again on Wednesday, August 7th at 5:00 PM in the Handbell Room.

WOW (Word on Wednesday) starts back Wednesday, September 4th at 5:30 PM in the fellowship hall.

Thursday Morning Bible study starts back Thursday, September 5th at 9:30 AM in the library.

Son-Lighters will start back Tuesday, September 10th at 12:30 PM in the fellowship hall.

PRESCHOOL



We still have a few spots open in the Preschool, so please contact the office for registration information if you would like to register your child. If you also know anyone with preschool age children who you think might be interested in our preschool, please have them call the preschool office for more information. Open House is scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 15 at 6 pm, and the preschool's first day of classes is Monday, Aug. 19.

Although the preschool is sad to say farewell to Mrs. Rice who has done a fantastic job with our 4-year-olds this year, we are excited to announce that Christy Woods will be our new 4-year teacher. She brings many years of experience with different age groups of children to her classroom. She is full of excitement, ideas, and energy and is looking forward to meeting her class and their families.

We at the preschool can't wait to start the new school year!



Sunday, August 4th

We will have Blessing of the Backpacks during our morning worship service. We encourage everyone to bring your backpack and let's start our new school year off with many blessings!

As our children, teachers and administrators prepare to go back to school, please keep them all in your daily thoughts and prayers.

Back to school Prayer

Dear heavenly Father,
As our children
Return to school
We look again

To your eternal faithfulness.
Watch over our beloved ones.
Let your Spirit go before them
To prepare the way
And open the doors
That lead to your grace.
Guide them away from harm.
May your mighty Spirit defend them
From any aggression or attack.
Equip them with discernment
And strength of character.
Let them be free to live and learn
As children of God.
Give us, dear Lord,
The wisdom and patience
To know when to speak or be still
As their parents and caretakers.
Always remembering
That they are yours
From the beginning;
Their lives a loving gift to us
From Almighty God.
We trust in you,
We depend upon you.
Care for your children,
Oh heavenly Father.
In Jesus name,
Amen.



In 2026 Hawkins will celebrate our 75th anniversary! Although this seems like a long time off, it will be here before we know it. If you would like to serve on the planning committee, or if you have ideas or memories to share, please contact the chair of this committee, Nancy Renfroe at 601-529-1921.



May Stewardship

Income: \$21,772.44

Expenses: \$33,459.79
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June Stewardship

Income: \$44,645.29

Expense: \$28,030.29
\$16,615.29



**Retired Education Personnel
Vicksburg Warren County**

in conjunction with

**Hawkins United Methodist Church
Mission Team**

will host a

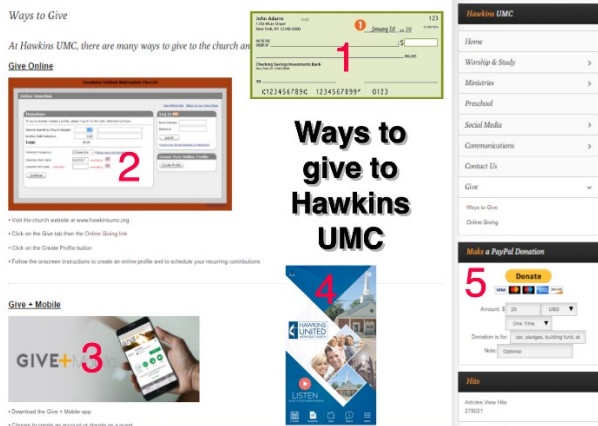
Health Fair

**Thursday, September 19, 2024
1:00 – 3:00**

in the Abundant Life Center

Mark your calendar for this great event!! Look for more information about the Health Fair in your next newsletter.

Ways to Give to Hawkins UMC



There are several ways to continue to give your tithes and offerings to Hawkins UMC

You can:

- 1 - Write a check and mail it to the church at 3736 Halls Ferry Road, Vicksburg, MS 39180.
- 2 - Give online. Visit www.hawkinsumc.org and click on Give then **Ways to Give**.
- 3 - Give via mobile app. Download the "Give + Plus" app from the [Apple App Store](https://www.apple.com/app-store) or the [Google Play Store](https://www.google.com/play-store).
- 4 - Give via Hawkins' mobile app. Click Give at the bottom of the screen.
- 5 - Give via PayPal located on the right half way down the [hawkinsumc.org](http://www.hawkinsumc.org) web page.

Hawkins UMC on the Radio

Sundays at 10:30 am

Hawkins UMC is on the radio! Listen from 10:30 to 11:00 am each Sunday morning on River 101.3 or K-Hits 104.5.
Or listen with iheart radio!

Live Stream Sermons Visit Hawkins' YouTube Channel

Visit and subscribe to Hawkins' YouTube channel to view live streamed sermons online at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWONhu8R098Tzzvpe_Cl2Ng

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August 2024

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September 2024						
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29	30					

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jul 28	29	30	31	Aug 1 7:00am Kiwanis Club 11:00am Drive-Thru Prayer 2:00pm Pickleball	2	3
4 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service - Blessing of the Backpacks	5 9:30am Sewing Group	6 10:00am CFF 2:00pm Pickleball	7 10:00am Staff Meeting 5:00pm Handbells 7:00pm Chancel Choir	8 7:00am Kiwanis Club 2:00pm Pickleball	9	10
11 8:00am Trustees 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service	12 9:30am Sewing Group 10:00am CFF	13 9:00am Preschool Training 2:00pm Pickleball	14 10:00am Staff Meeting 5:00pm Handbells 7:00pm Chancel Choir	15 7:00am Kiwanis Club 2:00pm Pickleball 6:00pm Preschool Open House	16	17
18 8:00am UMM Breakfast 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service	19 Preschool Starts Back 9:30am Sewing Group	20 10:00am CFF 2:00pm Pickleball	21 10:00am Staff Meeting 1:00pm Homeschool 5:00pm Handbells 7:00pm Chancel Choir	22 7:00am Kiwanis Club 2:00pm Pickleball	23	24
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