

**Cooper Memorial United
Methodist Church**
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It is necessary
for us to suffer
patiently the
dark night of
sorrow and
death, if we are
to enter the
brilliant new
light of Easter...
-Unknown

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March/ April Calendar Inside!!!
May/ June Calendar & Newsletter Submission Deadline is
April 15th.
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Cooper Memorial: Offering Hope and Love through Jesus

Sunday Morning Classes 10:10am
Paid Nursery staff: birth - age 3
Preschool: Ages 4 to 6 - Peggy Mouser, teacher
Elementary grades 1 to 3 - Amy Lee, teacher
Elementary grades 4 to 5 - Mary Beth Granado, teacher
Serendipity Class (Teens to early 20's) - Barb Hudgell, teacher
Life Builders - Rick Smith, leader
Friendship Class - Glinnie Moss, leader
Christian Service Class - Larry Edwards, leader

Cooper Memorial UMC Connections

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Meet the Church...

Friends class has been on a journey for nearly a year now. We started with food and a place to go on Sunday morning before church. We didn't even call ourselves a Sunday School class in the beginning. I kept running into adults who said, I have never been in a Sunday School class, or at least not since I was a child. I go to church sometimes but not interested in Sunday School. After a few responses like that, my marketing skills told me to spin it differently. I began inviting people to breakfast at church before church service starts and that worked. My class has had many come and go and that is always typical of any group. I hope and pray that we did touch some lives along this journey.

Also in the beginning, I didn't even call myself a teacher, I was one of them. I was on the journey with them. It was our goal to learn more about Jesus and how to live better. We worked on that together as friends. Now we have evolved into a real grown up class, we call ourselves a Sunday School class. We no longer have food as now we join the others between first service and Sunday School for donuts and coffee and fellowship.

Speaking of fellowship, I used that word hesitantly, I don't like "church words" when I'm trying to invite non-church goers to church and talk to them about Christ. I like every day words that they get. My Hawaiian friends call hanging out and talking, "talk story", I like that but we are Kentuckians and not Hawaiian so I don't know if that would be easily understood either.

I prefer to say, "Come with me on Sunday, I'll pick you up if you need a ride, and we will have coffee and donuts and hang out and chat with some friends. Then we go to Sunday School that I teach and then to Church." It is a package deal with me. I just prefer not giving the option of just church. In sales I have learned many tricks, call this a trick of the trade, but so far no one is objecting and I think the ones in my class appreciate the friendships we are establishing. I suggest when you invite your friends to church that you too make it a package deal.

Anyone now with their posterior sitting in a pew at Cooper either first or second service that don't go to a Sunday School class, why not check us out. Our location is the old 20/30 room which is a lot of wishful thinking on our parts. We are a friendly bunch and this just might be you fit. I believe everyone could use a couple more friends. Why not us? We love you and can't wait to meet you Sunday morning. We are the ones with chocolate donut on our mouths and laughing. Can't miss us!



Sandee Crabtree

Lenten Season at Cooper

Midweek Study during Lent: Wednesdays 11am-12pm Beginning on February 24th.
Please call the office to make your reservation.

Feb. 16th Shrove Tuesday-Pancake Supper 5:30 PM

Feb. 17th Ash Wednesday Services 12 NOON and 7 PM

March 28th Palm Sunday Services 9 AM and 11:15 AM

April 1st Maundy Thursday Service 7 PM

April 2nd Good Friday Service 7 PM at Okolona Presbyterian

April 3rd Easter Egg Hunt 9:30 AM

April 4th Easter Sunday Services 7AM Easter Sunrise Service/ Breakfast at Bethany UCC 9 AM and 11:15 AM Services at Cooper

