

Summer Schedule 2022



Ministry at Idlewild is organized by ministry units.

Read on to learn about the opportunities for

Worship

Formation

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Nurture

Worship

Sunday Worship Services are weekly at 11 AM
in-person and on Livestream

- Sermon Series** **June 12 - July 31** *Being the Body* is a series inspired by a St. Teresa of Ávila (1515-1582) quote that mentions, "Christ has no body now on earth but yours." We will spend the summer discussing and breaking down what it means for us to be Christ's lungs, eyes, ears, hands, feet, tongue, and heart.
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- Fall Kick-Off** **August 14** Children ages 0 - 100 are invited to gather in the Sanctuary as we celebrate the beginning of the new church year! Children and youth are dismissed to their new classes and adults learn about new Sunday school opportunities.

Adult Formation

Adult Forum: 9:40 AM each Sunday

Join us this summer for faithful discussion each week either through Livestream or in-person in Montgomery Hall. A special thank you to our hosts this summer, Julie Markham, Rev. Elizabeth Doolin, Jonathan Jones, and Daniel Edwards. Speakers and topics include:

- June 5** **David Yawn:** *The Russia-Ukraine Conflict*
June 12 **Robert Busby:** *Update on Idlewild's Outreach Ministry*
June 19 **Dr. Beverly Bond:** *Juneteenth History and Meaning*
June 26 **Josh Spickler:** *The Mission of Just City*
July 3 Holiday
July 10 **Brad Vest:** *Photojournalism in Memphis: A Portrait of Foote Homes*
July 17 **Tina Sullivan:** *What the Future Holds for Overton Park*
July 24 **Mark Jones:** *Historical Tour of Idlewild Church*
July 31 **Jonathan Large:** *Shelby Foote*
August 7 **Dr. Steve Haynes:** *Rhodes College "Liberal Arts in Prison" Program*
August 14 Fall Kick Off

Weekday Studies and Fellowship Groups

- Men's Breakfast** Men's Breakfast, Fellowship, Prayer, and Bible Study will continue
Date: Tuesdays, 9 AM discussing the book of Timothy.
Place: Montgomery Hall/ Zoom
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- Idlewild Book Club** This class meets to discuss books of all genres. All are welcome -
Date: 4th Thursdays of the month members and non-members.
Place: 305 and on Zoom

Presbyterian Women

Presbyterian Women events and circles are welcome to all who identify as female.

Tuesday Night Food & Fellowship

Date: June 7

Nurture is highlighting our partnership with the Med's Newborn Center. Please bring new or unused baby items such as socks, diapers, towels, baby wipes, or VISA gift cards. Full list and details to come.

Afghan Food Event

Date: June 21, 7-8 PM

Place: Montgomery Hall

The Akrami family will join us to teach a cooking class. We will end the class by trying the different dishes. This event will have limited seating so look out for the sign-up.

Synod Living Waters Gathering

Date: June 23-25

This gathering will be in person and on Zoom. There will be a fee to attend. Please reach out to Barbara Denley for more information.

High Tea

Date: July 12, 2 -2:30 PM

Place: Parlor

If you consider yourself one of the older generations in the congregation, please join us. We will enjoy tea and hors-d'oeuvres and discuss fellowship opportunities that you would like to participate in.

Presbytery Gatherings

Date: August 20

Place: Pinecrest

Join us for our yearly meeting at Pinecrest to discuss the year's book of study, *Celebrating Sabbath*. This year, the author, Carol M. Bechtel, will be the keynote speaker.

Young Adult Formation

Theology on Tap: Brewery Tour

Date: Thursdays June 2 - August 4
7 - 8 PM

Join us this Summer for Theology on Tap: Brewery Tour! Every week we will meet at a different brewery to discuss a current issue through the lens of faith. Hope you can tap in with us this summer!

- June 2** *Wiseacre on Broad*
- June 9** *Grind City*
- June 16** *Memphis Made*
- June 23** *Ghost River Taproom*
- June 30** *Crosstown Brewery*
- July 7** *Hampline Brewery*
- July 14** *Soul & Spirits*
- July 21** *High Cotton*
- July 28** *Wiseacre Downtown*
- August 4** *Meddlesome*

Youth Formation

Montreat

9th-12th graders are going to Montreat this summer to bond, play games, and take time to encounter the Spirit in new ways.

June 12 Info Meeting after worship in Montgomery Hall
July 17-23 Montreat

Special Events

May 31 - June 1 Lock-In at the Church 6 PM - 11 AM
June 4 Youth go the Mid-South Pride Parade (See Nurture)
August 14 Fall-Kick Off

Youth & Kids' Wing Clean Up

Date: June 5; 3 PM until finished

Get in some community service hours and show your church some love. Wear comfy clothes and help us get our space ready for summer and fall! We'll order pizzas and open the gym when the job is done.

Food Bank And...

June 8 (7:45 - 11 AM) Food Bank & Breakfast
June 22 (7:45 - Noon) Food Bank & Lunch
August 10 (7:45 - Noon) Food Bank & Swim

Youth Sunday School

Dates: June 5, 12, 19, 26, &
August 7; 9:40-10:40AM

Youth are invited to help run Sunday Funday Kids Forum in the QUEST room.

Children's Formation

Sunday Funday Kids' Forum

Dates: June 5, 12, 19, 26, &
August 7; 9:40-10:40AM

Kids from ages 3-12 are invited for a laid back time of fellowship and fun. Meet in the new Kids' Room on the third floor of the Jones. We'll read a story, play some games, and head to the gym/playground at the end of class.

Worship & Wonder

Dates: June 5, 12, 19, 26, &
August 7

Children ages 3-kindergarten are welcome to leave "big church" after the Time with Younger Church for their own worship service in the Worship & Wonder room.

Kids & Youth Wing Clean Up

Dates: June 5, 3 PM
Where: 3rd Floor Jones Building

We need your help cleaning, clearing out, organizing, and decorating to prepare for summer and fall programming. Kids can help too and the gym will be open for free play. Meet on the 3rd floor of the Jones and let's get our space ready.

Popsicles in the Playground

Dates: June 25; 10 - 11 AM
Where: Church Playground

Meet at the church playground for some water play and fellowship! We'll have sprinklers, water shooters, and water tables ready to splash while kids and parents spend some time together.

Music

Idlewild Choir

Our goal is to support and enhance congregational songs by leading worship through music every Sunday.

Handbell Ringers

Handbell ringers embellish worship every week with peals that call us to worship. They often enhance congregational songs and choral music with their ringing. Rehearsals are Sunday mornings before worship.

Nurture

Pride Parade

When: June 4, 12:30 PM

Where: New Daisy Theatre

If you would like to walk in or watch the parade, gather at the New Daisy Theatre on Beale St.. The parade begins at 1pm. If you have any questions, please contact Mark Jones at mjfelix@aol.com.

Fall Soccer

Sign Up: June 6-29

For boys and girls ages 4–12. Practice begins August 22 for 6–12-year-olds and games begin Sept 10. The first practice for 4 and 5-year-olds is Sept 10. Registration is \$55 for ages 4–5 and \$85 for ages 6–12. All registrations include uniforms. Scholarships available upon request.

Water Day

When: August 13, 4 - 6 PM

Come celebrate the start of fall programming with our fun-filled water day party in the parking lot. We will have water slides/games set up in the parking lot. We will also be collecting school supplies to donate to Brewster Elementary School.

Pottery Studio

When: Wednesdays, 6-8PM

Register on Realm to come to open pottery studio. We have all the materials you need to create and enjoy this space.

Tuesday Night Food & Fellowship

When: June 7, 5:30 PM

Where: Montgomery Hall

Come share a meal and spend time together. This evening, you are invited to support Regional One's newborn NICU center. A detailed list of items needed will be posted in our newsletters soon.

Outreach

Food Bank

When: 2nd & 4th Wednesday mornings of the month

We will continue to partner with the Mid-South Food Bank on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month. Please sign up so we know we have enough volunteers.

MICAH

Meeting: 3rd Thursday of the month at 5 PM

The Memphis Interfaith Coalition for Action and Hope is a regional faith-based coalition working for social justice in the Memphis area. MICAH seeks to identify areas of social concern, find consensus, and work with community leaders for lasting change.

More than a Meal

When: Thursdays at 5 PM

Idlewild opens her doors to anyone that desires a hot meal and fellowship. This includes many in Memphis who are experiencing homelessness or poverty.

Legal Clinic

Next Clinic: To be determined

Idlewild coordinates with Memphis Area Legal Services and volunteer lawyers, to promote and hosts two free legal clinics each year. We offer assistance to anyone who seeks it.

McMerton Gardens

When: Saturdays,
10 AM- 12 PM

Idlewild has partnered with the Binghampton community, to ensure the neighborhood are gardens full of fresh tomatoes, okra, green beans, and other nutritious veggies. They are tended by Idlewild gardeners, neighbors, and friends who meet on Saturday mornings to plant, tend, and harvest the produce.

No Longer Strangers

No Longer Strangers is currently selling Cafe Justo Coffee to support Frontera de Cristo. The group is also helping an Afghan family, the Akramis. Learn more about Afghan cuisine from the family June 21 (see Presbyterian Women section for more information).

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