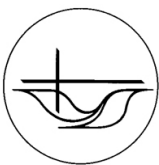


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Our Mission

The mission of the First United Methodist Church is to win and nurture souls for Jesus Christ by sharing and living the message of salvation.



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Pastor's Reflection

I first remember playing team sports as a child in elementary school. It was Little League baseball in Charlotte. Baseball was never my best sport, but I enjoyed being a part of a team. I would come off the bench to play any position but pitcher, and I enjoyed contributing to the effort in any way possible.

Throughout the years I have enjoyed playing sports and being a member of other teams. For the past eight years I have coached youth soccer and tried my best to put together teams that emphasize cooperation, collaboration, and responsibility.

So, it was with great amazement that I marveled at the teamwork that was on display this past weekend for the fall barbecue. I was astonished with the way that people did their jobs without complaining. I was blown away how everyone had a role and worked together like a well-oiled machine. This church should be proud of itself. I know I was proud of you!

Thank you for the way that everyone participated and contributed in this gigantic undertaking. The entire process was incredible. I cannot wait until the spring barbecue!

In Christ,
Kurt

Our Visitors

October 13

Dylan Blue, Sara Blue, Ok Yo Chang, Mimi Coffey, Drew Copeland, Alyssa Edwards, Laural Edwards, Andrew Elvington, Ashleigh Elvington, Patti Elvington, Ashlyn Nelson, William Stubbs, Bonnie Williams

October 20

Jan Bentley, Ok You Chang, Robin Dease, Johnnie Johnson, Abby Jones, Mark Jones, Megan McKenzie, Beth Thrailkill, Chris Thrailkill, Jackson Thrailkill.

October 27

Michelle Bellaiche, Drew Copeland, Larry Hays, Sally Hays, Kiersten Shepard.

Newsletter Deadlines

December 1 Newsletter

Wednesday, November 20, 2013

Student Day Special Offering

"In college, you don't have your family there to remind you to go to church regularly. Your spiritual life is whatever you want it to be, and you have to make the time for it." Daniel Tribble, student, TN Tech University, Cookeville

Tennessee Tech student Daniel Tribble constantly strives to serve the church while pursuing a mechanical engineering degree. The United Methodist Church is helping Tribble finance his education through a United Methodist Student Day scholarship.

"My family has been Methodist from way back," Tribble says. They attend First United Methodist Church in Lebanon, Tenn. "I learned to play guitar so I could assist with the praise service." Today Tribble is active in the campus Wesley Foundation, chairs Young Adult Ministries for the Tennessee Annual Conference, referees youth soccer games, and is student government secretary and a resident assistant.

He says his faith "remains an essential part of who I am. After I graduate, I would love nothing more than...to continue to serve the congregation that brought me up."

United Methodist Student Day calls the church to support students as they prepare for life in uniting faith with knowledge. The offering provides scholarships and student loans for qualified United Methodist applicants.

Please give generously on United Methodist Student Day, November 24.

November Birthdays

Nov. 1 Alanna Leviner
 Nov. 2 Charlie Ruffner
 Nov. 3 Norma Cobb
 Nov. 6 Danny Lee
 Nov. 9 Mason Tomberlin, Randell Rumph, P.J. McPherson
 Nov. 10 Jake Keefe
 Nov. 12 James Keefe, Ruth Funderburk
 Nov. 13 Patricia Turner
 Nov. 15 Betty Canipe
 Nov. 17 Harry Board
 Nov. 18 Carole Hennessee, David McLean
 Nov. 19 Caroline Crouse
 Nov. 20 Pete Owens, Robert Kessler
 Nov. 21 Janice Moore, Ruth Middleton
 Nov. 24 Gwen Sullivan, Eric Dusa
 Nov. 25 Kim Roddy
 Nov. 26 Jeff Kollitz, Bonnie Cundiff
 Nov. 27 Martha Griggs
 Nov. 28 Thomas McKinnon
 Nov. 29 Shep Straughn, Cheryl Joplin, Linda Smith



November Anniversaries

Nov. 17 M&M Keith Smith
 Nov. 24 M&M Jay Lewis
 Nov. 30 M&M Harry Board

Pastor's Discretionary Fund

Our contributions are needed for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. Please share of your surplus with those who have precious little on which to live. (Write a check to FUMC and designate it or part of it for "Pastor's Discretionary Fund.")

Get Your Groove On

The Ezer Sunday School Class is sponsoring a Line Dance Class, Sunday night, November 3 at 6:00pm in the fellowship hall. The cost is \$10 for adults, \$5 for youth and will be taught by our own Patti Rollings. All money collected will be donated to the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. Bring your spouse, friend, or ANYone (male or female, 6th grade and older) interested in shakin' it up for a very worthy cause...Rhythm is preferred, but NOT necessary!

Remember our Homebound



Frances Laney

CONVALESCENT CENTER

Eddie Stubbs

NURSING HOME

Sara Cook, Vera Meadows

RETIREMENT HOME

Polly Edwards

ASSISTED LIVING

Patsy Rushing, Margie Wanner

HOME

Robin Motley, Sabrina Tucker,
 Gene Huckabee, Michael Motley,

Memorials and Honorariums

In Memory of Dick Griggs

M&M Donald Eddins, Calvin & Rebecca Gaddy, Jane Mayhew, M&M Henry Suggs, M&M Jerry Turner, M&M Rhett Butler, M&M Jeff Johnson, M&M Keith Smith, Milton Yearty, M&M Jim Crawford, Cheraw Intermediate School Faculty & Staff, Cheraw Intermediate School (TMD Class, Angie Lisenby, Jan Laney, Wanda Ford, Lamont Lowery,) New Horizons Sunday School Class, M&M Steve Humphries, M&M Jerry Therrell, M&M Doug Marsh, M&M Pete Baker, M&M Roger Wolfe, M&M Ellison Outen, Methodist Men's Bible Class, M&M John Wagon, Jackie McGee, M&M Sam Eubanks, Jeff & Reba Bulla, The Treadstone Group, Inc., Billy, Lisa, Jacob and Lincoln Pennington

In Memory of Laura Stubbs

Jane Mayhew, M&M Jerry Turner, M&M Rhett Butler, Mary Burr, M&M Jeff Johnson, New Horizons Sunday School Class, M&M Steve Humphries, M&M Jerry Therrell, M&M Doug Marsh, M&M Pete Baker, M&M Roger Wolfe, M&M Ellison Outen, Methodist Men's Bible Class, M&M David Marsh, Jackie McGee

In Memory of Brady Nichols

M&M Jerry Therrell, M&M Doug Marsh

In Memory of Coyt McLean

M&M Pete Baker

In Memory of Benson L. Bagwell

M&M Robert Calhoun

Newsletter

Recently it has come to our attention that the newsletters are very repetitive in what is put in them each time. Due to this repetitiveness we will go to doing the newsletter only once a month until further notice.

Wednesday At The First (WATF) Menus

The Wednesday At The First (WATF) meal begins at 5:30pm and is cooked by Carolyn Gary; the cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 12 years old (Maximum \$21 for a household). Sign up on the worship attendance sheet, or call the church office (537-7002) and ask that your name be added to the list of "regulars." Reservations must be in the church office no later than 3pm on Monday.

November 6

Vegetable soup, chicken soup, cornbread, dessert and tea.

November 13

Bar-B-Que chicken, wild rice, English peas, rolls, dessert and tea.

November 20

Ham soup, vegetable soup, cornbread, dessert and tea.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

Please join me in making a child's life merry and bright this Christmas season by putting together a shoebox full of wonderful toys, school supplies, and toiletries.

You may pick up the paper you need on the table outside the fellowship hall. Choose a boy or girl and the age you want. You do not need to wrap your box. Some line it with tissue paper. Please include \$7 to pay for shipping. Please have your box at the church by November 17.

If you would rather make a donation, you can do that and we will make the boxes. You may drop your donation by the church office.

Thank you for all your help. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Jenny Keefe

A Note from the Missions Team

The Missions Team would like to ask for your help in supporting McArn Food Bank. The shelves are extremely low and any items or monetary donations would be greatly appreciated. The cold weather is fast approaching and the need in our community is great. Sharon Hendrix does a wonderful job at the Food Bank but needs our help. Clothing, toys, furniture, household items, blankets, as well as food, are accepted and distributed to families in need. Please do what you can to assist this worthy cause in our community. Thank you for helping God's children!

Scouting at First Church

BOY SCOUT TROOP 655

Meets weekly on Monday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30pm at the Dan Stowe Scout Hut.



CUB SCOUT TROOP 653

They have a number of Dens and Tiger Cubs. They meet on various days of the week, at various times and at various locations.

Yours in SCOUTING,

John Moore

Charter Representative, Phone number 843-537-2553

Automatic Bank Draft Reminder

Just a reminder that we have automatic bank draft for your pledge. If you are interested in signing up for this, please see Angie in the church office. If you are already signed up, your bank draft will continue to be taken out next year, unless Angie is contacted otherwise.

A Thank You from the Mission's Team

The Missions and Daycare Teams would like to thank everyone for supporting the Fatz pancake breakfast. All the profits from the sales and all the tips will go to support our nursery and daycare mission.

Serving in November

Hostess

Shep Straughn

Altar Guild

Sara Sanderson and Charlotte Crosby

Head Usher

Eric Dusa

Acolyte and Cross Bearer

Mary Charlotte Dusa (A) Emily Berry (CB)

Greeters

Nov. 3 M&M Eric Dusa

Nov. 10 M&M Greg Sanderson

Nov. 17 JoAnne Morgan

Nov. 24 M&M John Straughn

Lobby Door Greeters

Nov. 3 Robert Calhoun, Theodore Burns

Nov. 10 Manfred Kollitz, Joey Mills

Nov. 17 Jim Crawford, Rhett Butler

Nov. 24 Herbert Watts

Nursery

Nov. 3 Pam Humphries

Nov. 10 Jennifer Tomberlin

Nov. 17 Allison Becker

Nov. 24 Dee Dee Pickrel

Children's Church

Nov. 3 Amy Lewis, Alayna Carabo

Nov. 10 Doug Carabo, Jake Williamson

Nov. 17 Dee Dee Pickrel, Greer Eddins

Nov. 24 Nancy Wagnon, Mason Tomberlin

Lay Readers

Nov. 3 Rhett Butler

Nov. 10 Jensen Tomberlin

Nov. 17 Bonnie Cundiff

Nov. 24 Micki Lockey

Counters

Nov. 3 Jackie McGee, Jane Mayhew, John Moore

Alternate: Mary Burr

Nov. 10 Jim Crawford, Sammy Quick, Donald Baker

Alternates: John Straughn, Zenda Rushing

Nov. 17 Jeff Johnson, Betty Hurst, Jerry Therrell

Alternates: David McLean, Walter Crosby

Nov. 24 Robert Calhoun, Herbert Watts, Brenda Rayfield

Alternate: Doug Marsh

Flower Calendar

Nov. 3 Goodwins

Nov. 10 Sue McManus

Nov. 17 Williamsons

Nov. 24 Dusas

McArn Items

Nov. 3 Canned meats

Nov. 10 Baby items

Nov. 17 Paper products

Nov. 24 Toiletries



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**Don't forget to set your
clocks back 1 hour before
going to bed on Saturday!**

November

Sunday, November 3, 2013

Adult Choir Practice, 8:30am, Choir Room

Sunday School, 10:00am

Worship, 11:00am

UMYF (United Methodist Youth Fellowship), 5-7:00pm, Youth Hut

Praise Singers Rehearsal, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Monday, November 4, 2013

Boy Scout Meeting, 6:00pm, Scout Hut

Wednesday, November 6, 2013

Wednesday at the First (WATF), 5:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, November 10 Bulletin Deadline

Sunday, November 10, 2013

Adult Choir Practice, 8:30am, Choir Room

Sunday School, 10:00am

Worship, 11:00am

UMYF (United Methodist Youth Fellowship), 5-7:00pm, Youth Hut

Praise Singers Rehearsal, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Monday, November 11, 2013

Boy Scout Meeting, 6:00pm, Scout Hut

Worship Ministry Team Meeting, 7:00pm, Kinsey Mulloy Classroom.

Tuesday, November 12, 2013

United Methodist Women Circle #1, 10:00am, Parlor

Praise Band Rehearsal, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

United Methodist Women Circle #3, 7:00pm

Wednesday, November 13, 2013

Wednesday at the First (WATF), 5:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, November 17 Bulletin Deadline

Sunday, November 17, 2013

Adult Choir Practice, 8:30am, Choir Room

Sunday School, 10:00am

Worship, 11:00am

UMYF (United Methodist Youth Fellowship), 5-7:00pm, Youth Hut

Praise Singers Rehearsal, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, November 20, 2013

Wednesday at the First (WATF), 5:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Sunday, November 24 Bulletin Deadline

Sunday, November 24, 2013

Adult Choir Practice, 8:30am, Choir Room

Sunday School, 10:00am

Worship, 11:00am

Community Thanksgiving Service, 6:00pm, FUMC Sanctuary

Praise Singers Rehearsal, 7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Thursday and Friday, November 28 and 29, 2013

Office closed Thanksgiving Holiday