

THIS WEEK IN OUR CHURCH...

Sunday, November 24, 2024

9:30am-10:15am Adult Bible Sunday
Library

10:30am-11:30am Worship Service
Sanctuary

11:45am Decorating Party
Gathering Area

Tuesday, November 26, 2024

5:00pm-6:00pm Community Café
Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, November 27, 2024

12:00pm-12:30pm Midweek Communion
Sanctuary

6:00pm-8:00pm United Methodist Youth
Fellowship Hall/Youth Room



Friday, November 29, 2024

5:30pm-6:00pm Alcoholics Anonymous
Community Room

Sunday, December 1, 2024

9:30am-10:15am Adult Bible Sunday
Library

10:30am-11:30am Worship Service
Sanctuary


11:45am-1:15pm Bible Fellowship
Youth Room

6:00pm Hanging of The Greens &
Fellowship Time

Sanctuary/Gathering Area

Coffee Bar provided by:
Glenda Parker

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First United Methodist Church

November 24th, 2024

Reign of Christ (Proper 29)



“Christ Our King”

John 18: 33-37

*Welcome! We pray that worship here at First United Methodist is a blessing for you, as your presence blesses us. The Church newsletter, brochures, devotionals, and refreshments are available in the gathering area. Children are **always welcome** in worship, and we embrace their presence, their joy, and the fun things they often do and say as we worship God. In the welcoming area we have crayons and children’s bulletins available. Please fill out the clipboard at the end of your row to register your attendance and tell us a little more about you.*

“This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!”

ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 24, 2024

10:30AM

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us this morning. Whether this is your "usual" church home or the first time that you have entered our doors, we extend a warm welcome to you.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lee Anne Strickland

(At this time please register your in-person attendance on the clipboards placed on each pew or if you are watching on-line register at www.1umcm.com)

INVITATION TO PASS THE PEACE

"May the Peace of Christ be with you....and also with you."

TRINITY CHIMES

SUNG CALL TO WORSHIP

"Give Thanks"

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✠ WORDS OF INVITATION

L: Grace to you and peace from the one who is and who was and who is to come,

P: and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

L: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts.

P: The whole earth is full of God's glory.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Come, Ye Thankful People Come"

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✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From 1 Corinthians & Colossians **UMH 888**

✠ GLORIA PATRI

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CONFESSION

L: Jesus loves us and frees us from our sins; therefore, let us confess our sins to God.

P: Holy God, how often we trust in the promises of earthly rulers instead of the power of your love; help us to turn our hearts toward you.

Restore us in your love, and set us free to forgive as we have been forgiven, by the grace and mercy of Christ. Amen.

(silence for personal confession)

Breakfast with Santa!

Our free annual Breakfast with Santa will be on Saturday morning December 7th in our fellowship hall from 9:30am-11:30am. We will have lots of kid friendly breakfast food, crafts, games and a visit from Santa himself. Bring your camera (phone) and take pictures of your kids with Santa! Carolynn Greenwood will be in charge of breakfast food so let her know what you would like to bring or if you would like to help in the kitchen/serving area. Vanessa Barr and Erin Strickland will be in charge of crafts and games, and they need LOTS of helpers. Let them know if you can help in that area. We always have lot of kids join us at this event! Join us for this fun event!

New Prayer Requests

- Ruby Levinson and family
- Armida Conley and family
- Jordan Watkins and family

Continuing Prayer Requests

- Kyle & family (Slouka)
- The family of Darrah Wiseman
- Allan & Julia Reedy and family
- John & Judy Maiuri and family
- Ann Byers and family (Johnson)
- Cheyenne Cruz
- Family of Mary Margaret Mason
- Beth Nelson and family (Hamilton)
- Strickland family
- The Kefauver family
- Pat Rapping and family
- Helga Bulger & family of Ronald McNinch (Ruppel)
- Doug Riddle (Williford/Jones)
- Regina Moore (Penland)
- Kayla Couch and family
- Kellie Noe (Tierce)

- Daniel Ragan (Ahart)
- Jack and Janie Thomas (Hamilton)
- Gerald Picklesimer (Rapping)
- Krista Crabtree (McConkey)
- Michael Benlardy (Christopher)
- Mark Whitehead (Cafe' friend)
- Robert Mitchell (Nelson)
- Tara Stewart's sister Laura and family
- Leamon family (Green)
- Houvenagle family
- Doug Warren and family
- Andy Chermely (Alliman)
- Bev and Allan Potts (Dopkins)
- Shirley Leverton (Davis')
- Johnny Pickens (Davis')
- Betty Byrum Hicks and family
- Wayne and Lucille Peery
- Baby Thomas & family (Nelson)
- John Stratton (Nelson)
- Ray Sammons & family (Slouka)

The complete Prayer List is updated live at www.1umcm.com

Attendance

In-Person-103 On-line-1

Giving last Sunday

November 17th-\$7,810.38

Giving total for November

\$18,496.38

Needed each month

\$23,153.00

Memorial Donations

- ♦ Many donations made in Memory of Curwood Witt
- ♦ Many donations made in Memory of Mary Margaret Mason

Thank You!

Promising results of the Moving Forward Campaign

Last Sunday we had our commitment Sunday for our Moving Forward campaign. This resulted in **31 Pledges for a total of \$154,000 for the 2025 General Fund Budget. The original goal was 70 pledges for \$280,000.** The good news is that if we had 39 more pledges for at least \$3,231 each then we would meet our goal. This means that if 39 people gave about \$65 a week in 2025 then they could help us meet our goal.

\$65.00 x 52 (weeks) = \$3,380

If you would like to learn more about how our ministry is impacted by your giving please check out the 4 resources available in the gathering area. The finance committee will be finalizing our budget for 2025 in December based on last year's actual giving. However, they will also be taking our pledge totals into account as they consider possible cuts. The front office will continue to accept pledge cards until December 1st.

Welcome the Holiday Season with Hanging of the Greens

On Sunday evening December 1st at 6:00pm we will be having our annual Hanging of the Greens service in the sanctuary. This is a beautiful worship service filled with scripture, carols, and symbols of the season of Advent & Christmas. In many parts of the world this ceremony has traditionally been used to kick off the season of expectation called "Advent." We hope you will join us for this meaningful service of worship.

Following the Service: We will have a time of fellowship and finger foods. Please feel free to bring your favorite finger foods for others to sample, and share.

Advent is here!

The season of Advent begins on Sunday, December 1st. Followers of Jesus often use the days leading up to Christmas to intentionally prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ on Christmas. Our congregation will mark the 4 weeks in Advent leading up to the Christmas season in some very rich, unique, and fun ways both on Sundays and throughout the week. Each week leading up to Christmas Eve will have a different theme to be centered around:

December 1st: Hope

December 8th: Peace

December 15th: Joy

December 22nd: Love

Please be on the lookout for all the ways we will be preparing as a community to celebrate the birth of our Savior.

Advent Study of Almost Christmas

The authors of this four week study, draw on scriptures and the writings of John and Charles Wesley as they consider God's gifts of the traditional themes of Advent: peace, hope, love, and joy. Bible Fellowship invites you to join us each Sunday, starting December 1st, through Advent. We meet after church in the Youth Room for lunch, lessons & fellowship. Contact Marlee Tierce for a book.

PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Rev. Chris Black

PASTORAL PRAYER

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THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"We Will Glorify"

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CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Chris Black

INVITATION TO OFFERING

(During this time we worship by the giving of our gifts and offerings for the work of the church in ministry and mission. For those who are watching online, you may mail your gifts to First United Methodist Church, PO Box 157, Madisonville, TN 37354 or www.tithing.1umcm.com for other options.)

OFFERTORY

"Praise You/We Bow Down"

Chancel Choir

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SCRIPTURE

John 18: 33-37

L: The Word of God, for the People of God.

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Christ Our King"

Rev. Chris Black

✠ CLOSING HYMN

"Rejoice, The Lord Is King"

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✠ BENEDICTION

✠ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Make Me A Servant"

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✠ TRINITY CHIMES

POSTLUDE

✠ Please stand as you are able.

Serve the Lord this week where you are able!