

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

Children are always welcome in worship and we embrace their presence, their joy and the fun things they often do & say as we worship. However, if your child is actively upset we would invite you to take them into the gathering area to be calmed down. You are also welcome to take advantage of our nursery which is down the hall for children 6 months-3 years old. All children who are ages 4-10 may participate in a children's church ministry called First Steps following the Children's Moment. They will enjoy a snack, an activity or craft, and a lesson based on the sermon text. Lastly, we have crayons and children's bulletins available in the gathering area for those who would like to be creative during worship.



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## Attendance Last Sunday

In-Person: 90 On-line: 46

## Stewardship for February 22, 2026

Giving last week: \$5,563.41

Weekly budget need: \$5,723.00

Year-to-date giving: \$41,835.74

Year-to-date budget: \$51,507.00

*Thank you so much for your continued generosity and faithfulness in supporting the ministry of our church.*

**Flowers:** Communion Sunday

**Coffee Bar:** Janet Tweed

**3/4/26 Ignite & Youth Supper:**

Janet Tweed, Regina Warfel & Angela Tallent

**Usher Team:**

Steve Cornett and Jeff McMillian

**Production Team:** Steve Tweed, Regina Warfel, Carter Kennedy and Briley Williford

**Pianist:** Bev Taylor

**Organist:** Mary Alice Huff

**Youth Ministry Leaders:**

Jerry and Vanessa Barr

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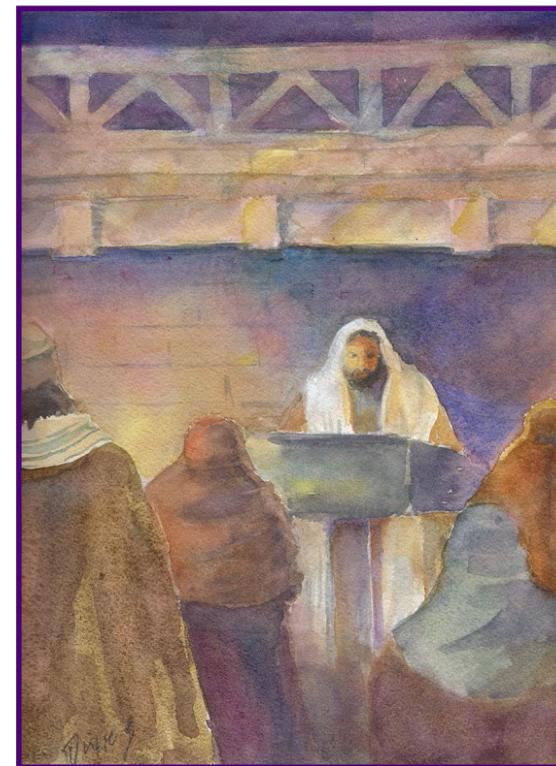
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# First United Methodist Church

March 1, 2026

Second Sunday in Lent

*Communion*



**“Stewardship By Our Presence”**

***Luke 4:14-30***

*Welcome! We pray that worship here at First United Methodist Church is a blessing for you, as your presence blesses us. Our mission here at FUMC is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. If you would like to learn more about our church and its ministries you can find a copy of the church newsletter, welcoming brochures and devotionals in the gathering area. There are also refreshments available at our coffee bar. Please fill out the clipboard at the end of your row to register your attendance and tell us a little more about you.*

***“...on the Sabbath he went into the Synagogue, as was his custom.”***



## A new Lenten Sermon Series: “The Vows We Live By” continues today.

Throughout the season of Lent Pastor Chris will be offering a sermon series which explores the idea of “stewardship” and its connection to our unique UMC membership vows. Whenever a person becomes a full member of our congregation they make a vow to faithfully participate by their prayers, their presence, their gifts, their service, and their witness. Pastor Chris’ series will explore how to balance all 5 parts of the vows in your own walk and how they can make you a more fruitful disciple of Christ. We hope you will join us for worship in both February and throughout March for this insightful series.

### Lenten Bible Study

*Hard to Dance with the Devil on Your Back* by Ray Buckley. In every culture and time, persons of faith, of all ages, have summoned trials and tribulations to find the endurance and strength to “dance”. They have danced with the weight of the world upon their shoulders, sustained by God and others dancing near them. This study looks at the struggle in the lives of believers, while helping us to enter the continually crumbling world surrounding Jesus and the disciples in the days preceding Easter. The Bible Fellowship invites you to join their Lenten study beginning on Sunday, February 22 after church. We share lunch. Please let Marlee Tierce know if you wish to join or need a book.

### Shirt Orders

This Sunday, March 1st is the last day to order your FUMC shirts. Payment is needed at time of order. Please see Regina Warfel or Sue Hamilton with any questions. There is a table set up in the Gathering Area for orders, to view the shirts and the design on the shirts.

## Come Join the Choir!

Our Choir ministry meets weekly on Wednesday evenings at 6 pm in the main sanctuary. This group enjoys plenty of fellowship and fun each week as they learn new music to help lead our Sunday worship.

Even if you have never sung in a choir before you would be welcomed to participate. Joining a choir group is a great way to build relationships with others, and to learn a new skill that can glorify God. If you have questions about our Choir ministry or wish to join please contact Sue Hamilton at [sue@firstumcmadisonville.org](mailto:sue@firstumcmadisonville.org).

### Are you newer to our church?

We want to extend a special welcome to those of you who may be new to our church. It is so exciting to see so many new faces in our pews and online over the last couple of months. We want to celebrate you, and also provide you with a few resources about our great church.

First, our office hours during the week are from 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday.

(Drop by anytime we are open!)

Check out our Website at: [firstumcmadisonville.com](http://firstumcmadisonville.com) or [1Umcm.com](http://1Umcm.com) There you will find links to our YouTube page, our weekly events, and more about our outreach as a church.

To learn more about church activities, programming, and our mission please feel free to get subscribed to our constant contact email messages. We send a variety of updates each week to keep everyone connected. Also, feel free to explore around our gathering area just outside the Sanctuary. There are snacks and coffee available, you can pick up a copy of our monthly newsletter, brochures about our beliefs, and a welcome bag.

If you would like to sit down with Rev. Chris Black at the office or over coffee, then please feel free to call the church office, email him, or even ask Chris for his cell phone number.

(Most people in the church have his # to text/call and you should too!)

## 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.)*

OFFERTORY “When I Survey The Wondrous Cross” Chancel Choir

✠ DOXOLOGY #94

SCRIPTURE **Luke 4: 14-30**

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

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON “Stewardship By Our Presence” Rev. Chris Black

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

### CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### 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.**

### HOLY COMMUNION

### SENDING FORTH

✠ CLOSING HYMN “We Are Called To Be God’s People” Screen

✠ BENEDICTION Rev. Chris Black

✠ BENEDICTION RESPONSE “Surely The Presence of The Lord” Screen

✠ TRINITY CHIMES

### POSTLUDE

*~Serve the Lord this week where you are able~*