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 cravons 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: 104 On-line: 4 Sunday General Giving \$3,223.00

Sunday Designated Giving \$530.00

(Vanco Fees-General) -\$1.02

Total Giving for *October* \$20,749.13

Needed monthly

\$23,866.50

Flowers: Communion

Coffee Bar: Kris Browder

11/5 Ignite & Youth Supper:

Veronica Venable, Kim Townson and Janet Ruppel

Lay Leader: Lee Anne Strickland

Usher Team:

Steve Cornett and Gary Hamilton

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

Rev. Chris Black
Pastor

Nikki Rutzen

Executive Assistant

Sue Hamilton

Director of Congregational Care & Choir Ministries

Erin Strickland

First Steps Coordinator

First United Methodist Church

November 2, 2025 All Saints Sunday Communion



"The Heart of The Saints" Luke 6: 20-31

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.

"Do to others as you would have them do to you."

ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 2, 2025 10:30AM

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

★ *Please stand as you are able*

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lee Anne Strickland

(At this time please register your in-person attendance on the clipboard placed in each pew.)

INVITATION TO PASS THE PEACE

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

TRINITY CHIMES

SUNG CALL TO WORSHIP

"Let's Just Praise The Lord"

Screen

#70

WORDS OF INVITATION

L: O taste and see that the Lord is good;

P: Happy are those who take refuge in God.

L: With hearts and hands and voices,

P: Let us praise the Lord.

₩ HYMN OF PRAISE "Sing With All The Saints In Glory" #702/Screen

★ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed #881

¥ GLORIA PATRI

REMEMBERING THE SAINTS OF OUR CHURCH

- Mary Margaret Mason
- Larry Davis
- Jennifer Waller
- Wayne Peery
- Our Military
- Remembered in our Hearts

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Chris Black

Sermon Notes

We hope you use this space for reflections, and reminders from the sermon or throughout the service.

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Prayer Requests for 11/2/25

The printed requests will stay in our bulletin for 2 weeks and then will be moved to our ongoing prayer list on our website.

- Moore/Harrell family
- Family of Wayne Peery
- Robert Schwartz and family (Warfel)
- Ronnie Gay and family (Veronica Venable's father)
- ♦ Kim Woods (Angela Tallent)
- Robert Parker Jr. (Glenda's son) and family
- Julie Goodin and family and friends (McMinn Co. Director of Schools)
- Norman Nelson and family (Ray's brother)
- Tara Stewart's godfather Bill Clark
- Family of David (Ahart)
- Jim Richardson (Dopkins)
- Karen McCue and family (Ruppel)
- Family of Gary Lewis (Nelson extended family)
- Little Bear Humphreys and family
- Johnanna Britton (Cheyenne & Cydney Cruz's grandmother) and Cheyenne and family
- Maiuri family
- Joe Grubb and family
- Quinn Strickland and family
- Kefauver family
- Nelson/Stratton family
- Tate Sherrer and family
- Unspoken Prayers



We Celebrate "All Saints" Sunday

November 1st is All Saints Day, a sometimes-overlooked holy day in United Methodist congregations. It is not nearly as well known as the day before, All Hallows' (Saints') Eve, better known as Halloween, but is far more important in the life of the church. John Wesley, founder of the Methodist movement, enjoyed and celebrated All Saints Day. In a journal entry from November 1, 1767, Wesley calls it "a festival I truly love." On the same day in 1788, he writes, "I always find this a comfortable day." The following year he calls it "a day that I peculiarly love." All Saints Day is an opportunity to give thanks for those who have gone before us in the faith. It is a time to celebrate our history, what United Methodists call the tradition of the church. From the early days of Christianity, there is a sense that the Church consists of not only all living believers, but also all who have gone before us. For example, in Hebrews 12 the author encourages Christians to remember that a "great cloud of witnesses" surrounds us encouraging us, cheering us on. The stories of the saints encourage us to be all God has created us to be. Additionally, we remember and pray for our sisters and brothers in Christ who faithfully follow Jesus in places where being labeled a Christian puts them in harm's way. On All Saints Day, we recognize that we are part of a giant choir singing the same song. It is the song Jesus taught his disciples; a tune that has resonated for more than 2,000 years; a melody sung in glory and on the earth. Our great privilege is to add our voices to this chorus. On All Saints Day, let us give thanks for both the saints in glory and those on earth, who have led us to Jesus. As they have shared the gospel with us, may we add our voices so someone else may hear about the grace and love of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. -From UMC.org

Smoky Mountain District Day with the Bishop

On Tuesday, November 18th Bishop Debra Wallace-Padgett will spend the day in the Smoky Mountain District spending time with Laity, Clergy, and other leaders in the district. In the evening at 6:00PM she will be at Seymour UMC, 107 Simmons Road, Seymour TN, to meet with laity and clergy and do some **deep** listening. She asks all participants to come prepared to share answers to these questions:

- 1. In the past year, where have you seen hopeful signs of God's presence in your local church—through worship, ministries, relationships, or outreach?
- 2. Looking at your wider community, what is one unmet need or opportunity where you believe the church could be a witness for Christ's love in a fresh or deeper way?
- 3. How can conference leadership walk alongside you—resourcing, encouraging, and supporting your congregation—as you live into God's mission in your setting?

She will share information and dialogue at that time. We would encourage you to go, and to hear from our Bishop directly. It should be a good conversation. If you have any questions feel free to reach out to the Pastor at cblack@firstumcmadisonville.org.

Joyful Ringers Schedule Update

The Joyful Ringers will meet on Sunday afternoons at 2:00PM through November (not 11/16) and December on a come as you can basis. We have empty bells that need playing. Come join us!

THANK YOU!

A huge Thank You to all who helped make our Trunk or Treat a huge success this year! We had many trunks, tons of candy, and lots of folks passing through to participate even in the rain. This is such a fun and wonderful outreach event for us.

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 "I Sing A Song of The Saints of God" Chancel Choir

₩ DOXOLOGY #94

SCRIPTURE Luke 6: 20-31

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

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "The Heart of The Saints" 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 "Hymn of Promise" #707/Screen

₩ BENEDICTION Rev. Chris Black

★ BENEDICTION RESPONSE "When We All Get To Heaven" Screen

★ TRINITY CHIMES

POSTLUDE

~Serve the Lord this week where you are able~