

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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Scan the QR code to give electronically

Attendance last Sunday

In-Person: 104 On-line: 36

Stewardship as of August 23, 2026

Giving last week: \$2,117.85

Weekly budget need: \$5,723.00

Year-To-Date giving: \$196,081.15

Year-To-Date budget: \$194,582.00

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

Flowers: Given by Shannon Larson in honor of a new bride in her family, daughter, MacKenzie Patty

Coffee Bar: Peggy and Donna Wengert

Lay Leader: LeeAnne Strickland

Usher Team: Ray Nelson and Ben Barger

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

Pianist: Bev Taylor

Organist: Mary Alice Huff

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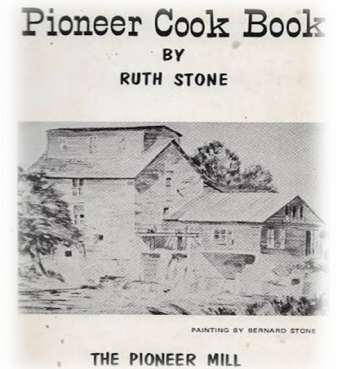
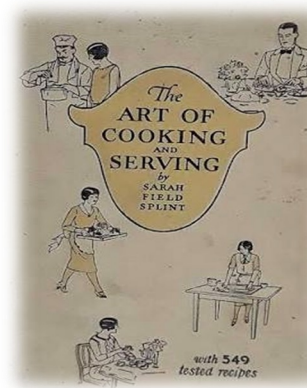
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First United Methodist Church

August 30, 2026

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



"A Timeless Recipe" Romans 12: 9-21

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 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.

***"Be devoted to one another in love.
Honor one another above yourselves."***

ORDER OF WORSHIP

August 30, 2026

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

LeeAnne 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

“This Is The Day”

#657/Screen

✠ WORDS OF INVITATION

L: Sing a song of thanksgiving.

P: Declare God's wondrous deeds.

L: For the Lord dwells among the people;

P: the glory of God abides with us.

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE

“To God Be The Glory”

#98/Screen

✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

1 Corinthians & Colossians

#888

✠ GLORIA PATRI

#70

CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that our love for you and for others has not been genuine. We have not held fast to what is good, and we have lagged in affection for our brothers and sisters. We have not been patient in suffering, nor have we persevered in prayer. We have repaid evil for evil and have failed to live peaceably with all. Forgive us our sin, free us from fear of the power of evil and help us trust in the power of your everlasting goodness; through Jesus Christ. Amen.

(silence for personal confession)

Sermon Notes

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

Prayer Requests for 8/30/26

Requests will stay in our bulletin for 2 weeks and
will be moved to our continuing prayer list at
1umcm.com.

- ◆ Quinn Strickland (knee surgery) and family
- ◆ Gary Hamilton (health) and family
- ◆ Diane Christopher (upcoming surgery) and family
- ◆ Family of Lloyd Brooks (McKenzie friend)
- ◆ Praise that Pastor Chris is now on the board of Camp Wesley Woods
- ◆ Brenda Leslie (health) and family (Kevin Taylor's sister)
- ◆ Gini Tallent (health) and family (Angela's daughter)
- ◆ Rosemary Cheek and family
- ◆ Patty Williford Jones' mother (health) and family
- ◆ Kris and Don Browder's son-in-law Rich Bouchard (health) and family
- ◆ Scott Venable (ankle surgery) and family
- ◆ Mary Kefauver and family
- ◆ Mary Roberts (Latasha Leming's mother) (health) and family (Janet Tweed's request)
- ◆ Congratulations to Kenny Vanderpool who graduated from the Police Academy and has taken a position with the Niota Police Department (Kingsley's son-in-law)
- ◆ John Maiuri and family
- ◆ Family of Sandy Taylor (Dopkins')
- ◆ Gary Cloud and family (Green)
- ◆ Carolyn Peters and family
- ◆ Jill (Peters) Reeves and family
- ◆ Kevin and Bev Taylor and family
- ◆ Unspoken Prayers



Exciting New Addition to Mission Alley!

This past week our own Chad Chester delivered two custom made wooden shelves that will go in Mission Alley as a permanent addition. The two that were delivered this week are the first of six that he is planning to make for the church. They are absolutely beautiful and I hope that you all will find ways to thank Chad and this wonderful hand made gift to the church. One unique personal touch to these new shelves is that the darker wooden in lay crosses are made from walnut that came from the Chester Family Farm from many years ago.



New Sermon Series Coming in September Called the Way of Love

This September, we will journey through the First Letter of John in a four-week sermon series exploring what it means to live as Wesleyan followers of Jesus. Drawing on themes that were central to our United Methodist founder John Wesley’s preaching, we will consider grace, holiness, Christian love, and the transforming power of God’s presence in our lives. Together, we will discover that faith is more than what we believe—it is a life of love that changes us and sends us into the world. We hope you will join us each Sunday in September as we seek to walk in the light, grow in holiness, and experience the perfect love of God.

Pastor’s Bible Study beginning
This Wednesday, September 2nd at 7:00PM in classroom #5 downstairs across from the Community Room. This new study called “*Mostly Methodical*” will take a fun and inviting look at what it means to be Methodist today. We will rely heavily on scripture but will also delve into the history, theology and experience of what it means to be a Methodist.

Our Adult Bible Study returns!
Next Sunday, September 6th one of our longtime adult studies is returning after a summer break. They will be meeting at 9:30AM in the Library prior to our worship service for fellowship, prayer and reflecting on God's word. Reba Dopkins is the host and teacher of this class. This group always has a great time reflecting and applying God's word together. If you are interested in this class, please join us or reach out to Reba.

TWU Dental Clinic
The Dental Clinic will be at FUMC on September 16th from 10AM-2PM. Dental cleanings will be provided free by *appointment only*. Adults and children are welcome to schedule cleaning appointments by calling 423-252-1475. Tennessee Wesleyan Dental Hygiene program and their mobile clinic will provide services under the direction of Dr. Randa Colbert and local dentists led by Dr. James Dash, DDS. Participants receive free dental cleanings and exams.

Bible Fellowship and Joyful Ringers
We are continuing with the new series after worship. Please join us for “*Think, Act, Be Like Jesus*”. A light lunch will be shared during the study.

PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUESTS	Rev. Chris Black
PASTORAL PRAYER	Rev. Chris Black
THE LORD’S PRAYER	
<i>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.</i>	
✠ HYMN	“Bind Us Together” Screen
CHILDREN’S MOMENT	Rev. Chris Black
INVITATION TO OFFERING	
<i>(During this time we worship by the giving of our gifts and offerings for the work of the church in ministry and mission.)</i>	
OFFERTORY	
✠ DOXOLOGY	#94
SCRIPTURE	<i>Romans 12: 9-21</i> L: The Word of God, for the People of God. P: Thanks be to God.
SERMON	“A Timeless Recipe” Rev. Chris Black
✠ CLOSING HYMN	“They’ll Know We Are Christians” Screen
✠ BENEDICTION	
✠ BENEDICTION RESPONSE	“They’ll Know We Are Christians” Screen (refrain)
✠ TRINITY CHIMES	
✠ POSTLUDE	

~Serve the Lord this week where you are able~