

## 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: 2

## Sunday General Giving

\$7,857.00

## Sunday Designated Giving

\$697.00

## (Vanco Fees-General)

-\$0

## Total Giving for October

\$21,203.11

## Needed monthly

\$23,866.50

**Flowers:** Flowers by Frank & Carol  
McKenzie in memory of our parents

**Coffee Bar:** Janet Tweed

**11/5 Ignite & Youth Supper:**

United Methodist Men

**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 9, 2025

Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost



**“A Changed Man In Jericho”**

***Luke 19: 1-10***

*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.*

***“For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”***

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 9, 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

*“Praise The Name of Jesus”*

## Screen

## ✠ WORDS OF INVITATION

L: We have gathered today in search of reformation.

**P: We want to reform ourselves, our church, and our society.**

L: We stand fearless at the edge of change.

**P: For God is in the midst of us and we shall not be moved.**

L: Be Still, and know that God is God.

**P: God is our rock and our redeemer.**

## ✠ HYMN OF PRAISE

*“God of Grace And God of Glory”*

## #577/Screen

## ✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

## Affirmation From Romans 8

**#887**

**✠ GLORIA PATRI**

## #70

## CONFESSION

**You are righteous, O God, and your law is truth. Yet we struggle to be faithful and daily fail to live lives of justice and mercy.**

**Forgive us again, O God; keep covenant with us, as you have promised, and soothe our aching souls, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**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 11/9/25

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

- ◆ Charlie Harrell and family
- ◆ Family of Dr. Robert Allen
- ◆ Casey Davis and family
- ◆ Joshua Stuckey and family (Huff)
- ◆ Joe Grubb (now at Life Care in Athens) and family
- ◆ Family of Betty Harvey
- ◆ Family of Sam McDonald (grew up in our church)
- ◆ Tiffany Woody (Jennifer McKenzie)
- ◆ Selina Bryson (Jennifer McKenzie)
- ◆ George Issac (Nelson Arizona friend)
- ◆ Family of Wayne Peery
- ◆ Robert Swartz and family (Warfel)
- ◆ Ronnie Gay and family (Veronica Venable's father)
- ◆ Kim Woods (Angela Tallent)
- ◆ Robert Parker Jr. (Glenda's son) and family
- ◆ Norman Nelson and family (Ray's brother) and Nelson/Stratton family
- ◆ Jim Richardson (Dopkins)
- ◆ Little Bear Humphrey and family
- ◆ Maiuri family
- ◆ Quinn Strickland and family
- ◆ Kefauver family
- ◆ Tate Sherrer and family
- ◆ Unspoken Prayers

**Celebrating Sue’s 50th Anniversary!**

You are cordially invited to First Methodist Church of Madisonville at 2PM-3PM on Sunday, November 16, 2025. That Sunday, it will be 50 years to the day that Sue Hamilton began as Adult Choir Director of First UMC. We, the congregation, Sue’s family, friends, and co-workers plan to gather for this brief afternoon ceremony in the sanctuary of the First UMC Church. A light reception in the gathering area will follow the half-hour service.

**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 Chris at [cblack@firstumcmadisonville.org](mailto:cblack@firstumcmadisonville.org).

**Charge Conference in November**

On Saturday afternoon November 22nd at 1:30PM our church will be having a Charge Conference in our sanctuary. This is the yearly meeting that our District Superintendent presides over to receive formal missional/ministry reports, and to hold votes on various church business items including (but not limited to) Pastor’s compensation and nominated leadership for the upcoming year. The charge conference is one of the unique connectional points between the local church and the broader Annual Conference. All are welcome to attend the meeting, but only those in our congregation who are members of the church council or current/retired clergy may vote. Lastly, this year will be a little different because our District Superintendent the Rev. Dr. Angela Hardy Cross has asked that we host 8 other church leadership groups for their charge conferences at our church. It should be a rich time of work and fellowship!

**Let’s Eat Together!**

On Wednesday evening, November 19th we will be having a covered dish dinner at 6:00PM to celebrate Thanksgiving. This will be a time to gather as a church family, share a meal, and be in fellowship with one another. Bring a dish or two of food to share. Pastor Chris may be bringing a ham or smoking a turkey to share. This dinner should be a wonderful time to be together and offer thanksgiving as a community. Choir practice will be at 7:20PM this evening.

**Are you interested in joining our Church?**

We are a faith community that is incredibly blessed because we have so many active members! However, we are also blessed because we have numerous folks who have been faithful as long-time visitors, and some who have been wonderful short-term guests. If you are someone who is interested in learning more about what it means to join the church as a full member, please feel free to reach out to Pastor Chris by email [cblack@firstumcmadisonville.org](mailto:cblack@firstumcmadisonville.org).

**PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Rev. Chris Black**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**Rev. Chris Black**

**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 “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” #400/Screen

**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.)*

**OFFERTORY** “His Eye Is On The Sparrow” **Diane Christopher & Bev Taylor**

✠ DOXOLOGY #94

**SCRIPTURE** **Luke 19: 1-10**  
L: The Word of God, for the People of God.  
P: **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON** “A Changed Man In Jericho” **Rev. Chris Black**

✠ CLOSING HYMN “I Am Thine, O Lord” #419/Screen

✠ BENEDICTION **Rev. Chris Black**

✠ BENEDICTION RESPONSE “Let The Peace of Christ Rule In Your Heart” **Screen**

✠ TRINITY CHIMES

**POSTLUDE**

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