

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

\$2,335.00

Sunday Designated Giving

\$2,330.00

(Vanco Fees-General)

-\$1.02

Total Giving for September

\$18,996.11

Needed monthly

\$23,866.50

Flowers: In honor of Greg and Nikki Rutzen's 23rd anniversary

Coffee Bar: Open

10/8 Ignite & Youth Supper:

Janet Tweed, Regina Warfel and Angela Tallent

Lay Leader: Lee Anne Strickland

Usher Team:

Jeff McMillian and Chal Thompson

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

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

October 5, 2025

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost



"God Does Not Throw Stones"

John 7:53-8:11

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 First United Methodist Church is to make discipleship 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.

"Let any one of you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 5, 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 or if you are watching on-line register at www.lumcm.com)

INVITATION TO PASS THE PEACE

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

TRINITY CHIMES

SUNG CALL TO WORSHIP

“Awesome God”

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✠ WORDS OF INVITATION

Lee Anne Strickland

L: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of God's name.

P: How awesome are your deeds, O God! We sing praises to your name.

L: Come and see what God has done: turning sea into dry land; bringing us across the river Jordan.

P: How awesome are your deeds, O God! We sing praises to your name.

L: Even when God has tested us; even when we have gone through fire and water:

P: God has brought us out to a spacious place. Our God is an awesome God!

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE

“Holy, Holy, Holy!”

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✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

From the United Church of Canada

#883

✠ GLORIA PATRI

#70

CONFESSION

Lee Anne Strickland

Jesus, Master, have mercy on us. We keep our distance from you, for we are broken and sick with sin. Yet you see us, and cleanse us, and make us whole. Forgive us when we forget to return to you-have mercy when we fail to praise your name, and help us to exude the faith that makes us well. 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 10/5/25

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

- Quinn Strickland and Family
- Kefauver family
- Family and friends of Dr. Dennis Trammel
- Praise for successful Community Baby Shower
- Joe Grubb and family
- Family of Jerry Downs (Pastor of Sunrise Assembly of God)
- Family and friends of Cindy Russell
- Linda Hetrick and family (Dopkins)
- School Safety
- Family of Lewis McCrary (Tweed friend)
- Family of Jennifer Waller
- Larry Barnes (health) (friend of Bonnie Brown)
- Family of Lori Tilley (friends of Bonnie Brown)
- Vicki Grover (surgery) (Nikki Rutzen's mother) and family
- John Stratton and family (Dora Nelson's brother)
- Ryan of 220 Electric's daughter (surgery)
- Family of Matthew Fitch (Warfel)
- Tim Crowder (accident) friend of Barbara Baiz and Kat Ahart
- Mary and Tony Nelson
- Tate Sherrer and family
- Mary Alice Huff and family
- Joshua Stuckey (health) and family (Huff)
- Maiuri family
- Unspoken Prayers

Today we welcome Rev. Dale Wyrick to preach for us

While Pastor Chris is away on a family vacation, we will enjoy hearing from the Rev. Dale Wyrick this morning. Rev. Wyrick is a retired Elder in the Holston Conference and served in pastoral ministry for 44 years.

He was appointed to several churches in both Virginia and Tennessee, with his last appointment being in Spring City where he served for 23 years. During his active ministry Rev. Wyrick served on the Conference Board of Ordained Ministry, Chaired the Conference Disaster Response Team, and was Commissioned as a Herald for the Key Event and Cornerstone celebration by the General Board of Discipleship and Evangelism. As an active and retired clergy, he has led short term mission teams to both Mexico and Jamaica.

In retirement Rev. Wyrick continues to travel annually to the Holy Land and other biblical destinations. He enjoys photography, golfing, tennis, hiking and anywhere there is a beach on the ocean. He now resides in Rhea County and enjoys spending time with his two adult children and his grandson. We know you will warmly welcome Rev. Wyrick and will enjoy his message.

Blessings Abound!!!

We celebrate all the blessings from hosting Monroe County Health Department's Community Wide Baby shower in our church.



A special thanks to all of you who contributed diapers to add to our diaper pyramid! So many families and children benefited from this! Thank you!

First UMC Trunk or Treat

On Sunday, October 26th, First United Methodist of Madisonville will be hosting our annual Trunk or Treat event in our upper parking area. This event will be happening at the same time as several other church events across Madisonville. We are planning on having games, a bonfire for s'mores, children's crafts and plenty of vehicle trunks open with goodies. We will also have hot dogs grilled by our own Pastor Chris Black.

Our Trunk or Treat will begin at about 5PM, with the grill turning on at 4:30PM and things will wrap up at about 7PM. To make this event as fun as possible, we will need lots of cars (or SUVs, trucks, motorcycles, tractors, etc.), candy and folks to give out candy. We are already beginning to give out parking spots for this event so if you are interested in providing a trunk to give out candy please sign up on the orange sheet in the welcome center. We are so excited about this event and how it can welcome the community to our church family!

Also... We Need Candy!

If you are not planning to attend our Trunk or Treat, you can still participate by donating candy for folks to hand out. There is a tote in the Gathering Area for your donations, as well as in the Church Office during normal business hours, Monday-Thursday, 9AM-2PM.

Pastor's Bible Study Continues

During October Rev. Chris Black will continue to host a home style Bible Study on Wednesdays at 7PM in the Fellowship Hall. Chris is doing a deep dive into Paul's two letters to the Corinthian Church.

Everyone is welcome to be part of this unique study of 1st and 2nd Corinthians. If you have questions about this class email Pastor Chris at cblack@firstumcmadisonnville.org.

PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Sue Hamilton

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Dale Wyrick

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

"Freely, Freely"

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Dismissal of Children to 1st Steps

Sue Hamilton

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 at www.tithing.1umcm.com)

OFFERTORY

Chancel Choir

✠ DOXOLOGY

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SCRIPTURE

John 7:53-8:11

Rev. Dale Wyrick

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

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"God Does Not Throw Stones"

Rev. Dale Wyrick

✠ CLOSING HYMN

"Amazing Grace"

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(vs. 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6)

✠ BENEDICTION

Rev. Dale Wyrick

✠ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Surely The Presence of The Lord"

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✠ TRINITY CHIMES

POSTLUDE

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