

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: 161 On-line: 44

Stewardship as of April 5, 2026

Giving last week: \$7,989.98

Weekly budget need: \$5,723.00

Year-to-date giving: \$85,514.89

Year-to-date budget: \$85,845.00

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

Flowers: Given by Frances and Larry Sellers in celebration of their 42nd Anniversary

Coffee Bar: Janet Ruppel

4/15/26 Ignite & Youth Supper: Janet Tweed, Regina Warfel and 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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First United Methodist Church

April 12, 2026

Second Sunday of Easter



“From Doubt to Declaration”

John 20: 19-31

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 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.

“Peace be with you!”

Easter Cantata Worship

Next Sunday, April 19th our Chancel Choir will present Russell Mauldin's cantata "The Day He Wore My Crown" during our morning Worship service. The choir has been working on the music for several weeks. This is a beautiful Easter cantata. Please join us!

Senior Fellowship Group

Join us on Wednesday, April 22nd at 11:30 AM for our next Senior Fellowship lunch at China Wok Buffet in Athens. This will be our fourth time gathering and we have had a great time! Bring a friend! If you would like to car pool or need a ride to the restaurant, meet at FUMC upper parking lot at 10:45 AM. Please contact Regina Warfel or Sue Hamilton with any questions.



Intergenerational Mission Trip Interest Meeting

Rev. Chris Black invites all those who are interested in

signing up for or supporting a summer mission experience in July to join him for a coffee (or tea, soda or even water!) and conversation in our sanctuary at 9 AM on Sunday, April 26th. Our church has a long tradition of being in mission both in Monroe County and beyond! This gathering will be an informal time where you may chat with Chris to learn more about potential plans for a possible mission trip. If you want more information about this conversation feel free to email Chris at cblack@firstumcmadisonville.org.

Name Tags are in the Gathering Area

We have name tags available for you to wear while you are with us on Sunday mornings. If you cannot find yours on the blue board in the gathering area then please let an usher know.



United Women in Faith

On Sunday, April 26th following worship you are invited to our Annual Salad

Extravaganza! This is always a fun event where all proceeds given go to support the UWF scholarship fund, which provides scholarships for high school seniors and camp attendees. As a part of the meal we will be having a silent auction where folks will bid on some "creative" items, services, and fun experiences! If you are interested in providing some art, handy man services, carpentry, baked goods, or a class on how to make a favorite dish then please feel free to let Janet Ruppel know. We are requesting that donations be delivered to the church by Sunday, April 19th.

Hand's On Mission for the Smoky Mountain District

For decades now, The Holston Conference has made a significant impact on children in both Liberia and Zimbabwe through the Hands-on-Mission kits. In 2026 the Smoky Mountain District will be collecting Health Kits to further this effort. Please feel free to take an instruction sheet home and purchase a health kit or two.

You can bring your completed kits to Mission Alley until the first week of May.

Grab the blue informational supply list in the gathering area on the table next to the Sanctuary doors. There are also 2-gallon sized bags for you to pack up the supplies.

\$5 Shipping Fee, may be put into the bag of supplies.

(Checks made payable to 1st UMC of Madisonville.

We will be sending one total shipping check to the Smoky Mountain District.)



MOMENT FOR MISSION

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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

"He Lives"

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CHILDREN'S TIME

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

Chancel Choir

✠ DOXOLOGY

#94

SCRIPTURE

John 20: 19-31

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

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"From Doubt to Declaration"

Rev. Chris Black

✠ CLOSING HYMN

"Thine Be The Glory"

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✠ BENEDICTION

Rev. Chris Black

✠ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"I Live"

Screen

✠ TRINITY CHIMES

✠ POSTLUDE

~Serve the Lord this week where you are able~