

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: 93 On-line: 2

Sunday General Giving

\$6,828.00

Sunday Designated Giving

\$1,345.00

(Vanco Fees-General)

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Total Giving for August

\$8,173.00

Needed monthly

\$23,866.50

Flowers: In Memory of Judy Christopher by Bruce Christopher

Coffee Bar: Janet Tweed

Lay Leader: Lee Anne Strickland

Usher Team:

Kevin Taylor and Alfred Greenwood

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

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

August 10, 2025

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost



**“Overflowing Love,
Everyday Faithfulness”**

1 Thessalonians 3: 6-13 & 4: 9-12

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 pew to register your attendance and tell us a little more about yourself.

“May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you.”

ORDER OF WORSHIP

August 10, 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

“This Is The Day”

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✠ WORDS OF INVITATION

L: The heavens declare the righteousness of God.

P: The earth declares God's beauty.

L: From the rising of the sun to its setting,

P: God's word shines forth in glory.

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE

“Revive Us Again”

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✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

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✠ GLORIA PATRI

#70

CONFESSION

**Holy God, you call us to do good, seek justice, and care for those in need,
yet how often we place our own comforts above compassion for others.
Forgive us, we pray, and cleanse us from these and all our offenses through
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**
silence for personal confession

PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Rev. Chris Black

Sermon Notes

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

Prayer Requests for 8/10/25

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

- ◆ Carrie Robbins (Janet Tweed's mother)
- ◆ Pat Waddell and family (Megan Cavett's friends)
- ◆ Rustie Stuke (Reba Dopkins' sister) and her caregiver Jim Richardson (Reba's nephew)
- ◆ Anna Paquette (health) and family (Reba Dopkins' sister-in-law)
- ◆ Mark Fagg (recovering from surgery) and family (Robin Osborne's father)
- ◆ Kathy McDaniel
- ◆ Katie and Jerold Baum (death of their 19 month old son) and family (extended Greenwood family)
- ◆ Vicki (health) and Chuck Grover (recovering from surgery) and family (Nikki Rutzen's parents)
- ◆ Oscar Carey and family (Mechelle Maiuri's father)
- ◆ The family of Monty Barger (Ben's brother)
- ◆ Chuck (heart surgery) and Kathy Isbill and family
- ◆ Carlene Boswell (Linda Trout's mother)
- ◆ Jim West and family (Jo West's son)
- ◆ Mark Ahart (knee replacement surgery) (Kat's brother)
- ◆ Allan and Julia Reedy
- ◆ Jennifer Waller (health) and family
- ◆ Unspoken Prayers

**IGNITE Children's Ministry
returns this week!**

We are excited that our IGNITE program for K-5th grade will resume meeting this Wednesday, August 13th in the Fellowship Hall from 6:00-7:30PM.

Baby Beason coming soon!

On Sunday, August 17th from 1:30PM-2:30PM, please join us in the Gathering Area to Shower Baby Beason. We are excited for Mia, Brian, Lyddie and Jan to welcome the new addition. For more information talk with Sue Hamilton or Carolyn Greenwood.

American Red Cross Blood Drive

St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church has asked us to join forces and offer sign-up times for their ARC Blood drive on Thursday, August 21st from 1:00PM-6:00PM in their Fellowship Hall. Appointments are still available, please see Nikki in the church office.

Bible Fellowship-New Study Starts

Bible fellowship starts today and will meet downstairs in the Youth Room after church. We will be studying: *The Class Meeting* by Kevin Watson which is based on John Wesley's small group initiative that was a vital part of growing deeply and knowing Jesus fully. Please let Marlee Tierce know if you would like to join. Books are available.

Mark Your Calendars!

Family Night Supper will be on Wednesday, August 27th at 6:00PM in the fellowship hall and we want to invite you to bring your favorite summer dish! This could be casseroles, vegetables, fruit, bread, meatloaf, chicken, etc. We can't wait to be in fellowship with you!

**Pastor's Bible Study Begins on
August 13th!**

Rev. Chris Black will once again host a home style Bible Study beginning on Wednesday, August 13th at 7:00PM in the conference room. Chris will do a deep dive into Paul's two letters to the Corinthian Church. It doesn't matter if you're new to the Christian faith or have studied the Bible for years you are welcome to be part of this unique study of 1st and 2nd Corinthians. If you have questions about the upcoming class, please email Pastor Chris at cblack@firstumcmadisonville.org.

**August Sermon Series:
From Madisonville to Thessaloniki
continues this Sunday...**

All this month Pastor Chris will offer a new 5-week sermon series on Paul's two letters to the Thessalonian church. This series will look at how we can bridge who we are as disciples of Christ in modern day Madisonville with what Paul was trying to teach the ancient church at Thessaloniki. Chris will discuss many themes that you can apply to your faith life today. Please make plans to join us in worship for all five weeks of this unique series!

**New Events & Activities
here at FUMC...**

Are you interested in what is happening at FUMC during the week? Grab your copy of *The Flame Newsletter* with an *August Calendar* and a *Read Together list* inside! We have so many activities here at FUMC during the week. Check out what events and activities are happening this week!

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

"Blessed Assurance"

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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. For those who don't have a gift ready today, you may mail your gifts to First United Methodist Church, PO Box 157, Madisonville, TN 37354 or go to www.tithing.1umcm.com)

OFFERTORY

Chancel Choir

✠ DOXOLOGY

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SCRIPTURE

1 Thessalonians 3: 6-13 & 4: 9-12
L: The Word of God, for the People of God.
P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Overflowing Love, Everyday Faithfulness"

Rev. Chris Black

✠ CLOSING HYMN

"We Are Called To Be God's People"

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✠ BENEDICTION

Rev. Chris Black

✠ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Find Us Faithful"

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✠ TRINITY CHIMES

✠ POSTLUDE

Serve the Lord this week where you are able!