

## 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: 111 On-line: 33

## Stewardship as of May 17, 2026

Giving last week: \$4,408.11

Weekly budget need: \$5,723.00

Year-to-date giving: \$110,784.64

Year-to-date budget: \$114,460.00

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

**Flowers:** Given by Margaret and Chad Chester

**Coffee Bar:** Glenda Parker

### Usher Team:

Kevin Taylor and Bob Fink

### Production Team:

Steve Tweed, Regina Warfel,  
Carter Kennedy and Briley Williford

**Pianist:** Bev Taylor

**Organist:** Mary Alice Huff

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# First United Methodist Church

## May 24, 2026

## Pentecost



## “Offer Them Christ”

*Selected verses from Acts, Philippians,  
2 Corinthians & Matthew*

*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.*



### Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, May 25th in honor of Memorial Day.

### Senior Fellowship Group

Join us this Wednesday, May 27th at 11:30 AM for our Senior Fellowship lunch at Casa Fiesta Mexican Grill in Lenior City. If you would like to car pool or need a ride to the restaurant, meet at FUMC upper parking lot at 10:30 AM. Please contact Regina Warfel or Sue Hamilton with any questions.

### FUMC Diaper Drive for the Community Baby Shower

The Monroe County Health Council and the Health Department are hosting their second annual Community Wide Baby Shower event on June 27th at Madisonville Intermediate School. (Our church hosted this event last year but they outgrew our facility this year!) Members of the planning team have asked if our church could take the lead on a diaper drive for those parents who will be present at the event. **Next time you are shopping we want to invite you to purchase some diapers (Newborn/Size 1) and drop them off in Mission Alley.** This will be a great way for our church to show the love of God to some new young families!

### United Women in Faith--May Children's Food Project

The mission project for the United Women in Faith for May is to support children in our community who are experiencing food insecurity this summer. When children have summer breaks, they miss out on breakfast and lunches provided at school. We want to help provide food this summer by partnering with the Good Shepherd Center and Coordinated School Health to support their summer children's food programs. With our financial donations, they will purchase food from the Second Harvest Food Bank to distribute to children in need. **If you'd like to help support this mission, please give donations to Tara Stewart, Regina Warfel, or Jill Alliman.**



### Welcome our guest preacher Rev. Mickey Rainwater

The Reverend Mickey Rainwater grew up in Dandridge, Tennessee where he attended his home church, Hills Union Church. He graduated with an Associate of Arts degree from Hiwassee College, with a Bachelor of Science degree from Tennessee Wesleyan College, and with a Master of Divinity degree from Emory University's Candler School of Theology.

Mickey is married to Joy Wilhelm Rainwater and has one daughter, Elizabeth Rainwater.

He enjoys cooking for and serving his family as well as attending estate sales and antiquing when time permits. He said, "My 'soul rests' at the ocean, so I look forward to times when I am able to 'renew' by the water with a good book." Mickey retired from full-time pastoral ministry in June 2025 after 45 years of service.

Mickey's appointments include: Mulberry Gap-Del Rio, TN; Red Bank Associate Pastor -Chattanooga, TN; St. Paul's-Etowah, TN; Seymour-Seymour, TN; Tyner-Chattanooga, TN; Morristown District Superintendent; First Broadstreet-Kingsport, TN; Fairview- Maryville, TN. Hiwassee and Scenic South District Superintendent- Cleveland & Chattanooga, TN, and presently Tennessee Valley District Associate-Knoxville, TN. Mickey works part time with Lake Junaluska Fund Raising Department.

In addition to these appointments, Mickey has also served on a variety of boards including UTC Wesley Foundation, Camp Lookout, Bethlehem Center in Chattanooga, Hiwassee College, Tennessee Wesleyan University, Holston Home for Children, Lake Junaluska, and as the Chairperson of the Holston Conference Board of Ordained Ministry.

PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Sue Hamilton

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Mickey Rainwater

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

*"Spirit of Faith, Come Down"*

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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

*"Holy Ground"*

Chancel Choir

✠ DOXOLOGY

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SCRIPTURE

*See bulletin insert*

Rev. Mickey Rainwater

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

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

*"Offer Them Christ"*

Rev. Mickey Rainwater

✠ CLOSING HYMN

*"Go, Make of All Disciples"*

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✠ BENEDICTION

Rev. Mickey Rainwater

✠ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*"Shine, Jesus, Shine"*

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✠ TRINITY CHIMES

✠ POSTLUDE

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