

## 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: 115 On-line: 24

## Stewardship as of June 14, 2026

Giving last week: \$4,427.49

Weekly budget need: \$5,723.00

Year-to-date giving: \$129,292.18

Year-to-date budget: \$143,075.00

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

## Flowers: Open

Coffee Bar: Peggy Wengert

## Usher Team:

Wes Hibbert and Chal Thompson

## Production Team:

Steve Tweed, Regina Warfel,  
Carter Kennedy and Briley Williford

Pianist: Bev Taylor

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# First United Methodist Church

## June 28, 2026

## Fifth Sunday After Pentecost



## “Worship in the Wilderness”

### 1 Samuel 22: 1-5

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.

*“I will take refuge in the shadow of your wings until the disaster has passed.”*

*-Psalm 57: 1*



### Update on our Blessing Box

Our Blessing Box continues to have a steady stream of folks who pick up and drop off food items each day. We make a special effort to distribute food items that are donated on Sunday mornings as soon as possible.

#### Great food items to donate are:

Canned Soups/Stews, veggies, fruits, meats, ravioli, spaghetti, etc., peanut butter, bread, jams/jellies, box/powdered milk, non-perishable noodle meals, macaroni and cheese, individual snack crackers/packs or dry goods like beans, pancake mix, lentils, noodles, etc. *Pop-top canned items are often ideal.* We will also accept and disburse small can openers if they are donated.

#### For the time being we no longer accept:

Toiletry items, clothing, or dry paper goods like toilet paper. *(If these items are donated they will just be forwarded to another community group to be disbursed.)*

If you feel led to contribute food items to our blessing box ministry please look for the "Blessing Box" shelf in Mission Alley and drop your donations there.

### Diaper Drop off!

This past week our church dropped off 100s (and 100s) of diapers to the Monroe County Health Council for their annual Community Wide Baby Shower. This wonderful event is in partnership with many local non-profits along with the Monroe County Health Department. It impacts numerous young families/children in our area. We want to celebrate our church's contribution to this great event and all the ways that our members stepped up in mission to help with this. Thank you to all who contributed to this effort to bless others!



### Exciting New Sign Updates!

Some of you may have noticed that our two sided electronic sign near our office has been out of commission for a little while now. This sign has exceeded its operational life expectancy by many years and is now ready to be replaced.

Over the last several months our trustees in consultation with our finance committee have developed a plan for a new sign. The design is very reminiscent of our current sign, however the electronic portion will be much larger. *(Please see the design mock up below)*



We are very excited about this upgrade for our church because it will allow us to communicate and even bless our community in powerful new ways. It will also allow us to let folks know more about all the great things happening in our church family from week to week.

In order for us to move forward with this, we will be kicking off a financial campaign beginning today called:

#### *A Sign of Faith*

*Building a Welcome for Generations*

We will need to collect approximately \$21k to make this project possible. If you are interested in contributing to this new campaign, please designate your giving to "A Sign of Faith."

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, Christians, Join To Sing"*

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CHILDREN'S MOMENT

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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

Chancel Choir

✠ DOXOLOGY

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SCRIPTURE

*1 Samuel 22: 1-5*

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

P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

*"Worship in the Wilderness"*

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✠ CLOSING HYMN

*"O Worship The King"*

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✠ BENEDICTION

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✠ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*"Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessing"* Screen

✠ TRINITY CHIMES

✠ POSTLUDE

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