



First United Methodist Challenge

open hearts
open minds
open doors



making
Christ
first

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October 24, 2018

Our Vision is to be a Dynamic Community of Believers

From the Pastor...

Taking the Next Step is the title for this year's stewardship campaign for the 2019 ministry support of First United Methodist Church. The focus of *Taking the Next Step* is on our need as a follower of Jesus to give rather than the church's need to get. Based on biblical principles, this campaign will invite each person to pray, "Lord, where would you want me to be in my giving?" as we seek to grow in our life of discipleship.



In the coming weeks you will not be hearing about next year's budget or the financial needs of the church. You will be hearing what God has to say to us about giving, about the foundational giving principles of the Bible and how your life and faith will be impacted as you take the next step in the Giving Path. Only after we have each offered our responses will our leadership create a Ministry Plan for the coming year.

It is easy to determine the success of a stewardship campaign to be whether we subscribed the budget and met the church's need to pay its bill. We believe *Taking the Next Step* is a better, more faithful way to define success: in the spiritual growth of each person as they respond to what God wants for them.

How much do you need to give? That's between you and God. Prayer should be the focus as you seek the answer to this question: "Lord, where do You want me to be in my giving?" This promises to be an exciting time in the life of FUMC. Will you take the next step?

In Christ's love,
Pastor Mark

PS Don't forget to pick up your 28 devotional guide this Sunday. We'll have a table near the entrance of each worship service. We want every household to have one so we begin our church-wide journey on October 28 together!

The Giving Tree Italian Lunch Fundraiser

October 28, 2018

To Go Orders beginning after Sunday School
OR
Join us in fellowship and support after
worship service

Menu
Garden or Caesar Salad with
Spaghetti
Alfredo Pasta
Chicken Alfredo
Dessert & Drink



MASS CHOIR FOR CHRISTMAS

Join us and sing with our combined choirs on December 2nd as we begin our season of advent.

Rehearsals will be on Sunday, November 4th & 18th at 4:00. We will also rehearse this music on Wednesdays in November at 7:00. Our final rehearsal will be November 28th. We will sing for all three services on December 2nd.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Upcoming Events

- Oct. 25th - Morning Prayer Service - 7:15am-7:45am - Chapel
- Oct. 27th - Community Breakfast - 8:30am - Fellowship Hall
- Oct. 28th - The Giving Tree Italian Lunch Fundraiser
- Oct. 31st - Trunk or Treat - 5:00pm - parking lot



Community Breakfast

Free
8:30 Every Saturday
FUMC Fellowship Hall

The mission of the Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

TRUNK OR TREAT!

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 31 · 5-7PM**

**FREE HOT DOGS! CARNIVAL GAMES!
FACE PAINTING! LOTS OF CANDY!
PHOTO BOOTH!**

WAYS YOU CAN HELP:

DONATE CANDY!!!!

**BRING YOUR DECORATED TRUNK
OR WEAR A COSTUME AND
HAND OUT CANDY!**

PARENT VOLUNTEERS!

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**CHILDREN + YOUTH HAVE FUN GAMES
PLANNED! A PRIZE WILL BE GIVEN FOR
BEST COSTUME. JOIN US FOR FUN!!**

**ALL FIRST KIDS + YOUTH WILL BE SIGNED
IN AND OUT FOR THE EVENING AND WILL
HAVE ACTIVITIES ON FUMC CAMPUS.**



This Friday the 26th and Saturday the 27th will be having workdays around the church. If you can help, please let Gayle Ross (870-307-9757) know so we can plan.



The Good news is we have had 30 teens sign up for Refuge!! Praise God!! Now we need help getting them there. We need scholarships to cover around 12 kids. The cost per kid is \$145, but give what you can. We are doing several partial scholarships. Drop off money in the church office. Please note in the memo line for Refuge.

Church Leadership

Senior Pastor
 Reverend Mark McDonald

Pastor Emeritus
 Reverend Bob Langley

Church Administrator
 Teresa Brown

Minister of Congregational Care
 Bennie Burks

Minister to Children & Family Ministries
 Katie McLean

Minister of Worship and Arts
 Dr. Stacey Brown

Minister to Youth
 Lorrie McClure

Worship Leader/Accompanist
 Alicia Williams

Organist
 Amanda Pickett

Sexton
 Joe Johnson

Lay Leader
 Mike Wilson

Lay Servants/Ministers
 Jon Healey
 Kathy McKinney
 Randy Seale
 Joel Wagoner
 Sandy West
 Asa Whitaker
 Joel Williams

Church Council Chair
 Sandy West

Staff/Parish Chair
 Barrett Moore

Trustees Chair
 Gayle Ross

Finance Chair
 Matt Martin

Our Presence

October 21st

Sunday Worship Total..... 183
 Sunday School 74

Our Gifts

Received in October

Received 10/07/2018\$8,739.50
 Received 10/14/2018\$9,808.76
 Received 10/21/2018\$13,045.03
Amount needed weekly..... \$11,111.83

Our Service

for October 28th

ACOLYTES: 11:00 Taft Ward
 Tabyn Ward

ALTAR FLOWERS in honor & glory of
 God by Raye Rogers in memory of Doyle
 Rogers.

ALTAR GUILD: Kathy McKinney
 Karen Holifield

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
 8:30 Sandy West
 10:55 Sandy West

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE:
 Pastor Mark

COFFEE and DONUTS:
 Chaney Huddleston Fellowship SS Class

LITURGIST: 8:30 Joyce Prickett
 11:00 Amanda Lucy

TRUSTEES OPEN & CLOSE SCHEDULE

Open: J Ellis Close: C Kibbe
8:30 USHERS 11:00 USHERS
 J Ellis & D Smith G Ross & R Painter

Birthdays and Anniversaries from UMCN Calendar

Oct 28 Ross Cox
 James Davis
 Royce Knowles
 Jim Ramsey

Oct 29 J.R. Beshears
 Hunter Carter

Oct 30 Graham Alberson

Oct 31 Shirley Coe
 David Patterson

Nov 1 Jon-Michael Adcox
 Laura Pickren
 Debbie Kennedy

Nov 2 Ben Everett
 Zach Harrison
 Archie Lewallen
 Susan Matinchek

Nov 3 Lindsey Castleberry
 Rhett McDonald
 Zachary Waldrip

Oct 30 Aaron & Annie Wynn

MEMORIALS

COREY TAYLOR
 Marcus & Glenda Bowers

Flower Calendar

**Please look at the flower calendar in the hall. **
 Dates available are:
 November 18th & 25th
 Please take a moment to pick a Sunday where you
 can be a part of this wonderful ministry.

Special Offering for Disaster Relief

The United Methodist Church has teams working with relief efforts from Hurricane Florence, as well as advance teams preparing for Hurricane Michael. To make a contribution to help with our efforts, please mark your donation "Hurricane Relief."

If you are interested in working with mission teams from our area that will go there, please contact Pastor Mark.

Our Mailing Address is:

First United
 Methodist Church
 P.O. Box 2014
 Batesville, AR 72503-2014

If you are unable to fulfill your ministry service position please find a replacement and contact the church office with the change.

Please review the names on the prayer list. Names will remain on the prayer list for 3 weeks.
At the end of 3 weeks to continue the name, please call the church office.

Our Prayers for Those at Home

Dick Adamsbrother-in-law of Mark Wallace
 Don Wayne & Patsy Anderson family members of member
 Gerri & George Bentzmember
 Gary Bower friend of member
 Marcus Bowersmember
 Diana Brownrelative of member
 Bennie Burks member
 Kris Decker friend of member
 Annabella Fletcher friend of member
 Woody Fowler friend of congregation
 Tina Fowler
 Fletcher Hall family friends of members
 Alvetta Hatfieldmother of Karen Holifield
 Deb Heslep daughter of John Ellis
 Bill Hess family member of Rice Family
 Kerry Jennings sister of member
 Bud & Maxine Kerr & family friends of members
 Mary Ann Marshallmember
 Dawn Messer friend of member
 Ruth Meyers aunt of member
 Janice Murphy cousin of Sharan Pittser
 Meredith O'Connell Helen Musgraves niece
 Maria Paningua friend of member
 Betty Rhodes family of member
 Pat Rice family member of Rice Family
 Raye Rogers member
 Charlotte Rose member
 Rich Schmidt family member of Mark Wallace
 Bob Spencer father of member
 Dianne Taylor member
 Jerry Taylor member
 Linda Thompson member
 Tilley family friend of members
 Belinda Turner friend of member
 Michael & Sandy West members
 Asa Whitaker member
 Frances Williams friend of member
 Brooklyn Wood friend of member
 Mary Jeanette Wood member

Our Prayers for Those in Hospitals

White River Medical Center

Martha Lewallen member

White River Medical Center - Rehab

Becky Shelton member

Arkansas Heart Hospital- Little Rock

Mac McClure

Hospital in Pennsylvania

Marion Fetterolf grandmother of Mark Wallace

Our Prayers for Those in Health Care Centers and Retirement Homes

Batesville Health and Rehabilitation

Rodney Trantham friend of member

Eagle Mountain Assisted Living

Polly Livingston member

Jackie Martin member

Carol Robertson member

Shirley Simpson mother of Dale Simpson

Barbara Stevenson member

Rachael Taylor relative of member

Katherine Tripp member

J.C. Wells father of Gina Davis

Fairfield Bay Nursing Home

Jay Burks son of Bennie Burks

Wood-Lawn

Mildred Arnold member

Bobbie Sue Graves mother of Diana Waldrip

Troy Kuchler stepdad of member

Lucille Maris member

Charlotte Rose member

Virginia Swetnam mother of Lorrie McClure

Woodcrest Assisted Living

Robert (Lit) Craig member

Bufford Maddox member

Judy Murrah member

Jerry & Dianne Taylor ... members

Our Prayers for Those in U.S. Military Service

MSgt. Jason Austinson of Robin Austin Gay

Major Chris Carpenterson of R.L. & Susan Carpenter

SSgt. Travis Gregorybrother-in-law of member

Lt. Col. Marc Jonesnephew of Mildred Arnold

Pvt. Lane Lively

Capt. Ian MacDonaldnephew of Starr & Johnny Kent

Trent McDonaldcousin of member

Capt. Shannon McLoughlin daughter of Cecilia Vinson

Capt. Adam Moore son-in-law of Ken & Ginger Davis

1st Lt. Jason Pomeroyson of Wanda & Bob Pomeroy

PFC Colton Quallsgrandson of Ken & Ginger Davis

SSgt. Karl Sagerson of Shirley Stuckey

Stg. Bradley Skelton

Airman First Class Keegan Smart member

Seaman Apprentice Zane Smart member

Capt. Michael Stevenson ...grandson of members

Lt. Cmdr. Greg Tebbetts ...son of Diane & Terrell Tebbetts

Capt. John Ticenephew of Verona Bebow

Lance Cpl. James Brantley Wheeler cousin of member

FALL FEST



First Kids (grades 2-6) will travel to the home of Larry and Martha Bentley on Wednesday, October 24 for a fall festival. We will leave the church at 5:30 and return at 7:30. I will need some parents to volunteer to drive and chaperone! Dinner, games & s'mores!

First Kids (preschool-1st grade will stay on campus for their Fall Festival)

First Kids Fall Schedule

October 24th – Fall Fest

October 31st – Trunk or Treat

November 7th – First Kids

November 14th – First Kids & Confirmation

November 21st – No Class (Happy Thanksgiving!)

November 28th – The Star @ The Melba

December 5th – Praise Kids - “Star Search Musical” & Dinner

December 12th – Confirmation Class &

Christmas Party @ Georgi’s for pre-4th grade

December 19th – No Class

December 26th – No Class

Don’t Forget—Text @eceg7 to 81010 for Remind 101



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Join Us For



Trunk or Treat! Our church will be hosting our annual Trunk or Treat event on Wednesday, October 31 from 5-7pm. If you would like to park your car in our parking lot and open your trunk to hand out candy, THAT WOULD BE GREAT!!! Be here around 4:30 to claim your spot!

October 31st

Also, we need all the candy we can get because we usually have about 2000 kids come through our parking lot.

If you are able, please donate individually wrapped candy to the bucket outside of Teresa's office. Thank you!!!

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Hospitality Team for Sunday, Oct. 28th
8:30 Service
 Joel & Jeannie Wagoner
11:00 Service
 Wayne & Crystal Anderson
Coffee & Donuts
 Chaney Huddleston Fellowship SS Class

Bible Studies / Small Groups
Oct. 26th - 6:00am - Men's Fraternity Meeting
 At Ameriprise Office on College St.
Oct. 28th - Explorer's Bible Study - 5:00pm
 In the Alpha Classroom
Oct. 29th - Men's Bible Study - 6:00pm
 At the Grammer House
Nov. 1st - Bible Study - 9:45am
 Home of Eleanor Royer
 The Book of DANIEL

Wednesday Activities

October 31st
 5:30 Kids & Youth-Trunk or Treat

Up Coming Committee Meetings
 October 30th - 6:00pm - Church Council - Barnabas Classroom

**Listen to the Worship Service at 11:00 am on
 KWOZ FM 103.3 or on the internet
www.ar1033.com and click Listen Live button
 paste into your web broser <http://player.tritondigital.com/2341>
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Next Newsletter Deadline

Articles for the October 31st newsletter must be submitted by 3:00 pm Monday, October 29th to the church office or by email to Lyndal at lyndalwaits@sbcglobal.net.