



# First United Methodist Challenge

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August 2, 2023

Our Vision is to be a Dynamic Community of Believers

## From the Pastor . . .

Dear Church Family,

This Sunday we are beginning a new sermon series, Flawed and Faithful, on the disciple Simon Peter. Peter is my favorite disciple. Many Christians see ourselves in Peter: someone who deeply loves Jesus, but can struggle as he tries to follow Christ. We will begin with Jesus calling Peter to follow Him and learn to fish for people. I encourage you to read the scripture passage, Luke 5:1-11 before Sunday to prepare for worship.



This Sunday we will celebrate the ministry of Lorrie McClure, our youth director for the past 13 years. We will have a celebration for her during the 11:00 worship service. There will be a place for you to leave a card or note of thanks for Lorrie as you enter the sanctuary.

I look forward to worshipping you on Sunday.  
Blessings,  
Pastor Katie

## Honoring Lorrie McClure

Sunday, August 6th

In the 11:00 Worship Service

We will honor Lorrie McClure and thank her  
For her 13 years of service.

## From the Trustees

If anyone is interested in any of the Red cushioned chairs from the Fellowship Hall, please contact the church office by August 14<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you



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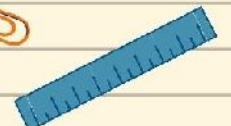
## BACKPACKS

First United Methodist  
Church of Batesville



Sunday, August 20

9:00 and 11:00 AM



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

Please review the names on the prayer list. Names will remain on the prayer list for 2 weeks.  
At the end of 2 weeks to continue the name, please call the church office.

**Our Prayers for Those at Home**

- Glenda Bowers.....member
- Marcus Bowers .....member
- Mason Evans .....friend of Evan McLean
- Linda Hicks.....friend of John Ellis
- Judy Murrah.....member
- Terri Presley.....member
- Billy Prickett.....member
- Michale Swaim.....father of Brent Swaim
- Jeannie Wagoner.....member
- Asa Whitaker .....member

**Our Prayers for Those in Health Care Centers and Retirement Homes**

**Brookdale Cary - Cary, NC**

Dianne Taylor..... member

**Eagle Crest Nursing & Rehab - Ash Flat**

Larry Swetnam..... father of Lorrie McClure

**Eagle Mountain Assisted Living**

Ruth Chesnutt..... mother of Gayle Ross

Connie Crafton..... sister of Joel Wagoner

**Wildwood Independent Living**

Nelda Hackworth..... member

**Wood-Lawn Heights**

Sally Allen ..... mother of Vicki Reed

Bill Beller ..... member

Gerri Bentz..... member

Benodlyn Kramer ..... aunt of Sonya Massey

**Woodcrest Assisted Living**

**Our Prayers for Those in Hospitals**

**Our Prayers for Those in U.S. Military Service**

Those who have listed family in military service, please review and update the status of your service member.

- Lt. Col. Chris Carpenter .....son of R.L. & Susan Carpenter
- Staff Sergeant Cole Long.....Great Nephew of Verona Bebow
- Sgt. Lane Lively .....grandson of Glen & LaDonna Busby
- Capt. Ian MacDonald .....nephew of Starr & Johnny Kent
- Trent McDonald.....cousin of member
- Lt. Col. Shannon McLoughlin..daughter of Cecilia Vinson
- Capt. Chris Milum .....husband of Kaylea Milum
- Petty Officer Zane Smart .....member
- Lt. Cmdr. Greg Tebbetts .....son of Diane & Terrell Tebbetts
- Ltc. Colonel John Tice .....nephew of Verona Bebow
- Major Joe Warren .....
- Lance Cpl. James Brantley Wheeler .....cousin of member

**Silver Belles & Beaus**

We will not meet in August!

We are taking a summer vacation!

Hopefully, we will “crank up” in September.

**Ministry Fair**

Sunday, August 20th

More information to come!

**Blessing Box**

Collecting these items this week

Canned Tuna

Bring to church and put in the basket in front of the church office

**If you need pastoral assistance contact:**

Pastor Katie Pearce at the church office (870) 793-3803

## Church Leadership

### Senior Pastor

Reverend Katie Pearce  
katie.pearce@arumc.org

### Church Administrator

Teresa Brown

### Minister to Children & Family Ministries

Katie McLean

### Minister to Youth

Michael Robinson

### Choir Director

Amanda Lucy

### Worship Leader

Alicia Williams

### Treasurer

Ruby Curl

### Custodian

Joe Johnson

### Lay Leader

Mike Wilson

### Lay Servants/Ministers

Sandy West  
Asa Whitaker

### Church Council Chair

Barrett Moore

### Finance Chair

Robb Roberts

### Staff/Parish Chair

Rikki Painter

### Trustees Chair

Joyce Prickett

Our Mailing Address is:  
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Batesville, AR 72503-2014

## Our Presence

### Online Worship Views July 23<sup>rd</sup>

11:00 Service (YT + FB)..... 103  
9:00 Service(FB) ..... 88

### In-Person Attendance

July 30<sup>th</sup> ..... 104

## Our Gifts

### Received in July

Received through ..... 07-02-2023  
Total Giving .....\$6,175.41  
Received through ..... 07-09-2023  
Total Giving .....\$16,813.25  
Received through ..... 07-16-2023  
Total Giving .....\$9,214.41  
Received through ..... 07-23-2023  
Total Giving .....\$11,334.82  
Received through ..... 07-30-2023  
Total Giving .....\$3,885.41

## Our Service

### for August 6<sup>th</sup>

**ALTAR FLOWERS** given to the honor and glory of God by Joel & Jeannie Wagoner in honor of Connie Crafton's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, and Barbara Wagoner's birthday

**ALTAR GUILD:** Karen Holifield  
Diana Waldrip  
Joyce Prickett

**GREETERS:**  
9:00 Jay & Dee Dee Sweat  
11:00 Joel & Jeannie Wagoner

**CHILDREN'S SERMON:**  
Sandy West

**COMMUNION STEWARD:**  
Linda Thompson

**LITURGIST:** Sandy West

**USHERS:**

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

from UMMEN Calendar

Aug 6 Mack Boyce  
Kenny Bowren  
Aug 7 Raymond Simmons  
Sandy Taylor  
Aug 9 Allison Garrett  
Barbara Wagoner  
Aug 11 Phil Brissey  
Aug 12 Rhianna Crouch  
Dot Hohle

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Aug 8 Paul & Karen Holifield  
Aug 9 Richard & Marieta Frasier  
Aug 12 Roger & Abby Barker  
Marcus & Glenda Bowers

## Scripture for Sunday's Sermon

Luke 5:1-11



## Flower Calendar 2023

We invite you to provide flowers for the altar by signing up on the calendar near the office (or calling the office).

You may donate \$50 or more, contact Signature Gifts to work with them, or create your own arrangement/work with a florist of your choice.

The flowers are noted in the bulletin, and following Sunday worship, volunteers arrange them into individual vases and take them to members who are ill or homebound.

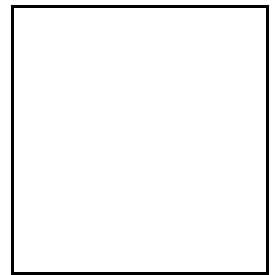
### Upcoming dates open for flowers

**September 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>**

Come pick your special Sunday to do the flowers!



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This  
 Sunday

**The FUMC Challenge**

Join the **Monday Night Men's Bible Study Group** for food and fellowship on **August 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:00pm**, at the Grammer House. Bring your favorite food.

**11:00 Worship Service**  
 Livestream on  
 YouTube and on Facebook

**SUNDAYMORNINGS**

9:00am Contemporary Service—Fellowship Hall  
 10:00am Sunday School  
 11:00am Traditional Service—Sanctuary

**Announcements**

- Aug 2<sup>nd</sup>** No Chancel Choir Practice  
 BFUMC Kids - 5:30pm  
 Wednesday Night Bible Study - 6:00pm  
 BFUMC Youth - 6:30pm
- Aug 5<sup>th</sup>** Community Breakfast - 8:30am - Fellowship Hall
- Aug 7<sup>th</sup>** Men's Bible Study - 6:00pm



**Community Breakfast**  
 Free  
**8:30 Every Saturday**  
**FUMC Fellowship Hall**

**Next Newsletter Deadline**

Articles for the August 9<sup>th</sup> newsletter must be submitted by 10:00 am Monday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, to the church office or by email to Lyndal at [lyndalwaits@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lyndalwaits@sbcglobal.net).

**Love God. Love Others. Prove It.**

And oh how they do. Words cannot express how much I love these kids. It has been my greatest gift to serve & work with so many wonderful teens. The past 13 years have been truly some of the happiest in my life. There is nothing better than to share God's love with others. Thank you so much tonight to sweet friends who surprised me in the toughest of times and were a sweet reminder that when things are bad, God is good. I thank you so very much.

And I am so very excited about the amazing things that are in store with Michael Robinson. Truly a gift from God. Awesomeness awaits.

Lorrie McClure

