



First United Methodist Challenge

615 East Main Street • Batesville, Arkansas 72501 • 870-793-3803
www.fumcbatesville.org

August 30, 2023

Our Vision is to be a Dynamic Community of Believers

From the Pastor . . .

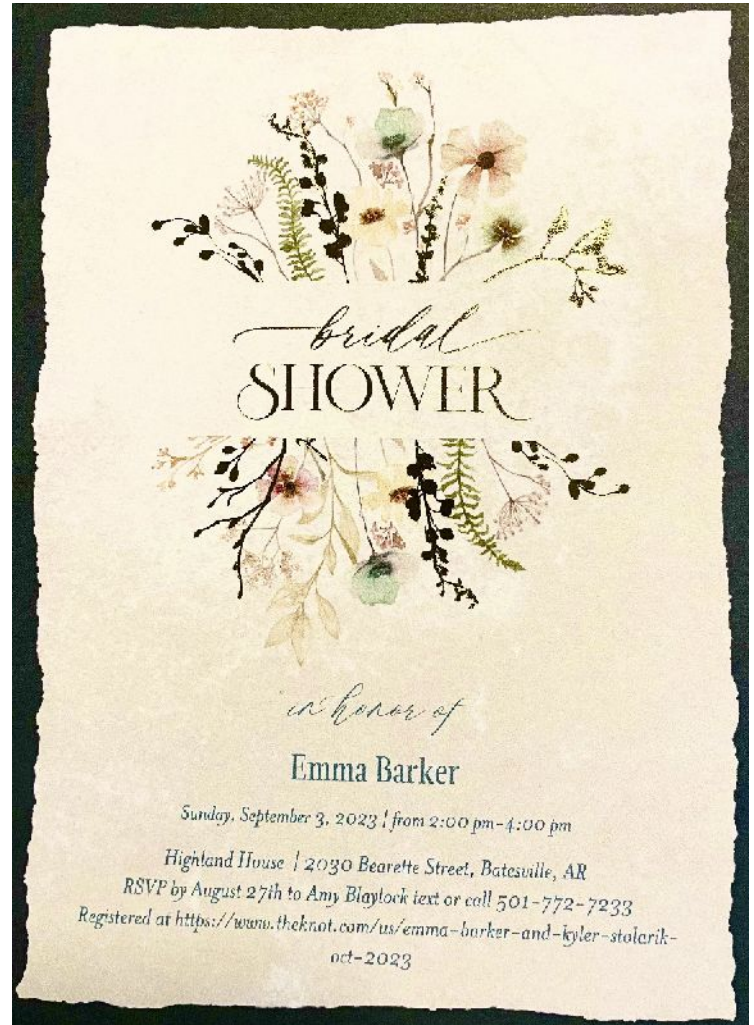
Dear Church Family,

This Sunday we are beginning a new sermon series on Paul's Letter to the Galatians. This letter has been called Christianity's "Charter of Freedom." Galatians is just six chapters long, and I encourage everyone to help to understand the situation Paul was addressing and to hear the emotion and urgency behind Paul's words. This letter has shaped Christianity and has enduring significance for the church today.



We are finally getting a respite from the heat this week. Thank you to everyone who volunteered for the cooling center. The warming and cooling shelters take a lot of people to open, but they are life saving ministries for the most vulnerable in our community and they are one of the most significant ways we share God's love with our neighbor. Thank you for supporting God's ministries with your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.

God bless,
Pastor Katie



FREEDOM IN CHRIST: Paul's Letter to the Galatians

FUMC Batesville
Sundays in September
9:00 and 11:00 AM



Caring Ministries Informational Meeting:

Wednesday, August 30th at 5:30pm
in the Sanctuary

Hear more about visiting homebound members, delivering flowers, and taking communion to our members.

"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 Bowersmember
 Starr Kent.....member
 Charles Kibbemember
 Linda Hicks.....friend of John Ellis
 Judy Murrah.....member
 Billy Prickett.....member
 Michale Swaim.....father of Brent Swaim
 Asa Whitakermember

Our Prayers for Those in Hospitals

Covenant Prayer

From John Wesley's Covenant Service, 1780

I am no longer my own, but thine.
 Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.
 Put me to doing, put me to suffering.
 Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee,
 exalted for thee or brought low for thee.
 Let me be full, let me be empty.
 Let me have all things, let me have nothing.
 I freely and heartily yield all things
 to thy pleasure and disposal.
 And now, O glorious and blessed God,
 Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
 thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.
 And the covenant which I have made on earth,
 let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.

Blessing Box and Backpack Ministry

With school back in session, the
 backpack ministry has also started back
 We could use more canned meats, peanut butter &
 crackers, canned pasta, breakfast items, fruit cups.

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 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 Carpenterson of R.L. & Susan Carpenter

Staff Sergeant Cole Long.....Great Nephew of Verona Bebow

Sgt. Lane Livelygrandson of Glen & LaDonna Busby

Capt. Ian MacDonaldnephew of Starr & Johnny Kent

Trent McDonald.....cousin of member

Lt. Col. Shannon McLoughlin..daughter of Cecilia Vinson

Capt. Chris Milumhusband of Kaylea Milum

Petty Officer Zane Smartmember

Lt. Cmdr. Greg Tebbettsson of Diane & Terrell Tebbetts

Ltc. Colonel John Ticenephew of Verona Bebow

Major Joe Warren

Lance Cpl. James Brantley Wheelercousin of member

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

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

Our Presence

Online Worship Views August 20th

11:00 Service (YT 11 + FB 99) 110

9:00 Service(FB) 186

In-Person Attendance

August 27th 127

Our Gifts

Received in August

Received through 08-06-2023

Total Giving \$8,858.00

Received through 08-13-2023

Total Giving \$6,148.55

Received through 08-20-2023

Total Giving \$9,499.18

Received through 08-27-2023

Total Giving \$4,146.48

Scripture for Sunday's Sermon

Galatians 1:1-12

Our Service

for September 3rd

ALTAR FLOWERS given to the honor and glory of God in memory of Lynette Whitaker by her family.

ALTAR GUILD: Karen Holifield
Diana Waldrip
Joyce Prickett

GREETERS:

9:00 Michael Robinson

11:00 Tom & Ruby Curl

CHILDREN'S SERMON:

Barrett Moore

COMMUNION STEWARDS:

Ron & Barbara Cheatham

LITURGIST: Terrell Tebbetts

USHERS: Please help usher when asked

Birthdays and Anniversaries

from UMMEN Calendar

Sept 3 Bill Waldrip

Sept 4 Ella Shelton

Lance Lamberth

Sept 5 Asa Whitaker

Sept 6 Bob Carter

Sept 7 Mattie Ann Ballard

Kathy McKinney

Sept 9 Coleen Jackson

Sept 4 Randy & Mariesa Bolin

Bill & Anne Luster

MEMORIALS

TERRI TERRELL PRESLEY

The Chaney-Huddleston Class
Mariana HS Class of 1971



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.

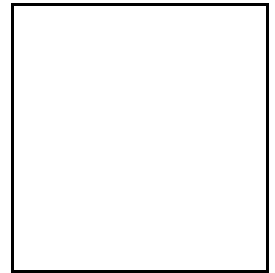
Upcoming dates open for flowers

September 10th, 17th, 24th

Come pick your special Sunday to do the flowers!



First United Methodist Church
 615 East Main St.
 P.O. Box 2014
 Batesville, AR 72503-2014



Inside This Issue!

- From the Pastor - page 1
- Prayer Page - page 2
- Stewardship - page 3
- Ministry Flyer (Get Involved) - insert

email us at fumcbatesville@gmail.com
 Check out newsletters online!
www.fumcbatesville.org/



Caring Ministries Informational Meeting:

Wednesday, August 30th at 5:30pm
 in the Sanctuary

Hear more about visiting homebound members, delivering flowers, and taking communion to our members.

The FUMC Challenge

Join the **Monday Night Men's Bible Study Group** for food and fellowship on **September 4th, 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 30th** No Chancel Choir Practice
 BFUMC Kids - 5:30pm
 Wednesday Night Bible Study - 6:00pm
 BFUMC Youth - 6:30pm
- Sept 2nd** Community Breakfast - 8:30am - Fellowship Hall
- Sept 4th** Men's Bible Study - 6:00pm



Community Breakfast
 Free
8:30 Every Saturday
FUMC Fellowship Hall

Next Newsletter Deadline

Articles for the September 6th newsletter must be submitted by 10:00 am Monday, September 4th, to the church office or by email to Lyndal at lyndalwaits@sbcglobal.net.



GET INVOLVED WITH FUMC

Kids and Youth

- Nursery worker
- Wednesday Night Kids
- Kitchen volunteer
- Youth Small Group Leader
- Trip Chaperone

Worship

- Usher
- Altar Guild
- Communion steward
- Choir
- Praise Band
- Liturgist
- Audio/Visual
- Greeter

CIRCLE
AREAS OF
INTEREST!

Caring Ministries

- Sunshine Flower Delivery
- Visitation
- Communion for homebound members
- Bereavement meals
- Secret Pals
- Baby/Wedding Showers

Outreach

- Warming/Cooling Center
- Saturday Morning Breakfast
- Blessing Box
- United Methodist Men
- United Women in Faith

Administrative and Facility Support

- Board of Trustees
- Staff Parish Relations
- Finance Committee
- Nominations Committee
- Church Mice

Contact Information

Name: _____

Email: _____

Number: _____