



# First United Methodist Challenge

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September 4, 2024

Our Vision is to be a Dynamic Community of Believers

## From the Pastor . . .

Dear Church Family,

Over the Labor Day weekend I traveled to North Carolina to see my college roommate and another college friend. We had not all been together since before the pandemic. It was wonderful to see old friends, relax, and reminisce. I also got to worship with you online! I am grateful to Michael Robinson for leading us in worship in my absence.



During the month of September, we will be in a worship series called Do Unto Others: The Kindness Campaign. The series will explore how we as Christians can find common ground with those with whom we disagree, shine the light of Christ in times of conflict and uncertainty, and love our neighbors as ourselves. These are always important questions and goals for Christians, but it is especially important for us to cling to the foundations of our faith during times of disagreement, such as an election season. This is not a series about politics, but it is aligned with the election season to remind us of the importance of kindness, compassion and love especially during times of conflict. We will begin with Micah 6:1-8. I encourage you to read the scripture in preparation for worship and I look forward to being back with you this Sunday at our normal worship times of 9:00 and 11:00.

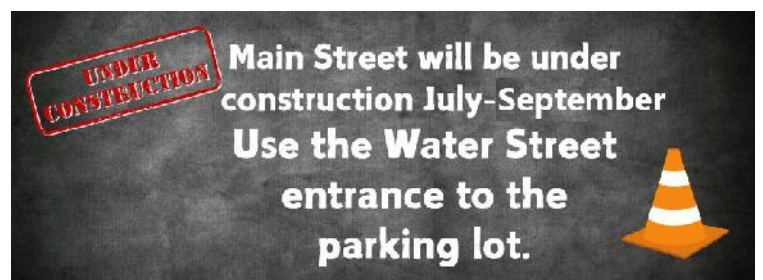
God bless you,  
Pastor Katie



## SILVER BELLES & BEAUS

Sept 17<sup>th</sup>

US Pizza at noon



*"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**

- Bill Beller.....member
- Glenda Bowers.....member
- Marcus Bowers .....member
- Ginger Davis .....member
- Emma Herrington .....friend of Abby & Lily Barker
- Bill Hess.....father of April Rice
- Starr Kent.....member
- Daniel King.....member
- Faith McClurg.....member
- Aline McCracken .....member
- Jerry Millsbaugh ..... Elaine Vinson's uncle
- Heather Pool.....niece of Jim & Kay Pool
- Mary Ellen Cadena Pool .....sister in law of Joe & Kay Pool
- Billy Prickett.....member
- Kathleen Reynolds.....member
- Alannette Rushing .....member
- Banks Shaw.....Barbara & Ron Cheatham's  
Great Grandson
- Belinda Turner .....friend of the Reynolds

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

**Eagle Mountain Assisted Living**

- Ruth Chesnutt..... mother of Gayle Ross
- Connie Crafton ..... sister of Joel Wagoner
- Asa Whitaker ..... member

**The Springs Batesville**

- Judy Murrah..... member

**Wildwood Independent Living**

- Nelda Hackworth..... member

**Wood-Lawn Heights**

- Sally Allen..... mother of Vicki Reed
- Benodlyn Kramer..... aunt of Sonya Massey

**Woodcrest Assisted Living**

- Ernestine Boyce ..... member

**Health Care Facility in San Antonio, TX**

- Linda Hicks..... friend of John Ellis

**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.

- Staff Sergeant Cole Long.....Great Nephew of Verona Bebow
- Sgt. Lane Lively .....grandson of Glen & LaDonna Busby
- Trent McDonald.....cousin of member
- Lt. Col. Shannon McLoughlin..daughter of Cecilia Vinson
- Capt. Chris Milum .....husband of Kaylea Milum
- 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

**Our Prayers for Those in Hospitals**

**St. Bernards - Jonesboro**

- Cathy Swaim .....mother of Brent Swaim

**Silver Belles & Beaus**

Sept 17<sup>th</sup>  
US Pizza at noon

**Blessing Box**

Collecting these items this week  
**Peanut Butter and Saltine Crackers**  
Bring to church and put in the basket in front of the church office

**Flower Calendar 2024**

Upcoming dates open for flowers

September 8, 15, 29

*Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by 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

### Director of Youth, Young Adults, and Welcome

Michael Robinson

### Director of Traditional Worship

Marc Sexton

### 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 August 25<sup>th</sup>

11:00 Service (YT 10 + FB 115) ..... 125

9:00 Service(FB) ..... 207

### In-Person Attendance

Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> (one service) ..... 78

## Our Gifts

### Received in September

Received through ..... 09-01-2024

Total Giving ..... \$5,756.00

## Scripture for Sunday's Sermon

Micah 6:1-8.

## Our Service

for September 8<sup>th</sup>

**ALTAR FLOWERS** given to the honor and glory of God by

(need altar flowers this Sunday)

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

### GREETERS:

9:00 Joe Don Reynolds

11:00 Rob & Jennifer Emery

### COMMUNION STEWARDS:

Ron & Barbara Cheatham

**CHILDREN'S SERMON:** Stephanie Wade

**LITURGIST:** Joyce Prickett

**USHERS:** Need Ushers

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

from UMMEN Calendar

Sept 9 Coleen Jackson

Sept 10 Carolyn Davis

Susan Weaver

Sept 11 Billy Prickett

Sept 12 Abby Barker

Edward Driver

Sept 13 Jim Davis

Deann Castleberry

Starr Kent

Morgan Painter Reyes

Sept 14 Kate Taylor

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Sept 10 Chris & Dawn Tucker

Sept 12 Dallas & Barbara Estes

## MEMORIALS

### Ginger Burnett

Buddy & Elaine Vinson

Eleanor Royer

Ron & Martha Lewallen

### Edward House

David & Charlotte Diemer

Beth Meacham

Stephen & Pamalah Tipps

Carol Coleman-Kennedy

Robert D. Garrison

Moorene N. Massey

### Bill Waldrip

Pat Collins

David & Charlotte Diemer



Flower  
Calendar

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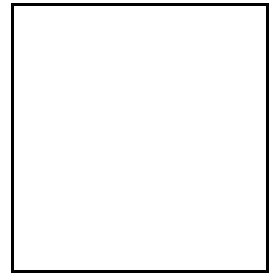
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**The FUMC Challenge**

Join the **Monday Night Men's Bible Study Group** for food and fellowship on Sept 9<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**

- Sept 4<sup>th</sup> Community Office Hours with Pastor Katie  
 Chancel Choir Practice  
 BFUMC Kids - 5:30pm  
 BFUMC Youth - 6:30pm - Bowling  
 Wednesday Night Bible Study - 6:00pm
- Sept 5<sup>th</sup> College Group - 6:30pm
- Sept 7<sup>th</sup> Community Breakfast - 8:30am - Fellowship Hall
- Sept 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday Night Bible Study - Alpha Room - 5:00pm
- Sept 9<sup>th</sup> Men's Bible Study - Grammer House - 6:00pm
- Sept 9<sup>th</sup> Young Men's Group - Alpha Room - 6:30pm
- Sept 17<sup>th</sup> Silver Bells and Beaus - US Pizza - noon



**Community Breakfast**

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

**Next Newsletter Deadline**

Articles for the Sept 11<sup>th</sup> newsletter must be submitted by 10:00 am Monday, Sept 9<sup>th</sup>, to the church office or by email to Lyndal at [lyndalwaits@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lyndalwaits@sbcglobal.net).