



First United Methodist Challenge

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October 2, 2024

Our Vision is to be a Dynamic Community of Believers

From the Pastor . . .

Dear Church Family,

This Sunday we concluded the worship series called "Do Unto Others." In the final sermon I gave three ways we can engage in our faith during times of conflict and disagreement, such as the election season. One, pray; pray specifically I encourage everyone to pray for both Donald Trump and Kamala Harris as well as our state and local candidates. Second, talk to someone with whom you disagree and ask them why they believe and vote the way they do. The important thing is to ask them not to debate, but to learn from them about their perspective. Finally, remember that the voices on the extreme do not tell the full story; we are more alike than we are different. Our hopes and goals for our country are more aligned than we tend to think, and when we work together, we can achieve more than when we silo ourselves.



In October I will be preaching on 3 Simple Rules for Christian Living. These guidelines for living out our faith are: Do No Harm, Do Good, and Stay in Love with God. These simple instructions have guided Methodists for centuries and contain simple, straight-forward wisdom. Our youth and children will also be studying these rules in Sunday School from 10:00-11:00 during October. I look forward to beginning this new series. The scripture passage for Sunday is Galatians 5:13-21.

Blessings,
Pastor Katie



Trunk or Treat

We are collecting Halloween Candy for Trunk or Treat. Drop off your candy donations in front of the church office.



"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 Bowersmember
- Ginger Davismember
- Emma Herringtonfriend of Abby & Lily Barker
- Bill Hess.....father of April Rice
- Starr Kent.....member
- Daniel King.....member
- Faith McClurg.....member
- Aline McCrackenmember
- Jerry Millspaugh Elaine Vinson's uncle
- Heather Pool.....niece of Jim & Kay Pool
- Mary Ellen Cadena Poolsister in law of Joe & Kay Pool
- Billy Prickett.....member
- Alannette Rushingmember
- Banks Shaw..... Barbara & Ron Cheatham's
Great Grandson
- Cathy Swaim.....mother of Brent Swaim
- Belinda Turnerfriend of the Reynolds

Our Prayers for Those in Hospitals

- Baptist Hospital ICU - Little Rock**
Ruby Curlmember

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

Wildwood Independent Living

- Nelda Hackworth..... member

Wood-Lawn Heights

- Sally Allen..... mother of Vicki Reed
- Benodlyn Kramer..... aunt of Sonya Massey
- Gayle Stobaugh..... friend of members

Woodcrest Assisted Living

- Ernestine Boyce member

Health Care Facility in Searcy

- Judy Murrah..... member

Health Care Facility in San Antonio, TX

- Linda Hix 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 Below
- Trent McDonald.....cousin of member
- Lt. Col. Shannon McLoughlin..daughter of Cecilia Vinson
- Capt. Chris Milumhusband of Kaylea Milum
- Cmdr. Greg Tebbettsson of Diane & Terrell Tebbetts
- Ltc. Colonel John Ticenephew of Verona Below
- Major Joe Warren
- Lance Cpl. James Brantley Wheelercousin of member

J.T. STORY HARVEST DAY DINNER

Sponsored by
The United Methodist Men & Women
Central Avenue United Methodist Church
1205 North Central Avenue
Saturday, November 9th, 2024
4:30 - 7:00 p.m. Family Life Center
Dine-In or Carry-out Available
\$10.00

Blessing Box

Collecting these items this week

Canned Soup

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

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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Our Presence

Online Worship Views September 22nd
11:00 Service (YT 17 + FB 87) 104
9:00 Service(FB) 174

In-Person Attendance

September 29th 125

Our Gifts

Received in September

Received through 09-01-2024

Total Giving \$5,756.00

Received through 09-08-2024

Total Giving \$8,998.55

Received through 09-15-2024

Total Giving \$9,695.38

Received through 09-22-2024

Total Giving \$3,802.48

Received through 09-29-2024

Total Giving \$3,692.71

Scripture for Sunday's Sermon

Galatians 5:13-21

Our Service

for October 6th

ALTAR FLOWERS given to the honor and glory of God by Mike Wilson in memory of Carolyn Wilson and their 58th Wedding Anniversary.

ALTAR GUILD: Karen Holifield
Diana Waldrip
Joyce Prickett

GREETERS:

9:00 Michael Robinson

11:00 David & Pam Smith

CHILDREN'S SERMON: Barrett Moore

COMMUNION STEWARDS:

Linda Thompson & Alannette Rushing

LITURGIST: Sandy West

USHERS: Need Ushers

Birthdays and Anniversaries

from UMMEN Calendar

Oct 7 Paul Bube

Oct 8 Seth Kemp

Oct 10 Michael Coe

Grant McDonald

Cshawn Osborn

Oct 12 Maggie Beshears

Tyson Williams

Oct 11 Jim & Gayle Ross

MEMORIALS

Kathleen Reynolds

Maureen E. Brock
Steve & Sandy Taylor
Donald & Moorene Massey

Edward House

Robert W. Carius
Katy Smythe

Bill Waldrip

Charles M. McClain, Jr.
Rusty & Cathy Castleman
Steve & Sandy Taylor

Kathleen Reynolds, Tim McKinney

Bill Waldrip

David & Sharan Pittser



Flower
Calendar

Flower Calendar 2024

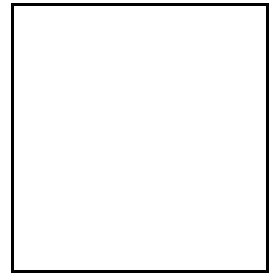
Upcoming dates open for flowers

October 20th

Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board by the church office.



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The FUMC Challenge

Join the **Monday Night Men's Bible Study Group** for food and fellowship on **Oct 7th, 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

- Oct 2nd Community Office Hours with Pastor Katie
 Chancel Choir Practice
 BFUMC Kids - 5:30pm
 BFUMC Youth - 6:30pm
 Wednesday Night Bible Study - 6:00pm
- Oct 3rd College Group - 6:30pm
- Oct 5th Community Breakfast - 8:30am - Fellowship Hall
- Oct 6th Sunday Night Bible Study - Alpha Room - 5:00pm
- Oct 7th Men's Bible Study - Grammer House - 6:00pm
- Oct 7th Young Men's Group - Alpha Room - 6:30pm



Community Breakfast

Free
8:30 Every Saturday
FUMC Fellowship Hall

Next Newsletter Deadline

Articles for the Oct 9th newsletter must be submitted by 10:00 am Monday, Oct 7th, to the church office or by email to Lyndal at lyndalwaits@sbcglobal.net.