

The Message—Pastor Rickey Wade

Faith II

Last week I discussed the notion that faith (believe) is both a matter of the mind and of daily living. The point being that what we believe shapes how we live. As such, our faith in Christ is an understanding of Jesus, yes, but it is more. Our faith in Christ is also the power to live in a way that imitates Jesus, and allows us to claim the name of Christian!

Allow me to illustrate the notion of faith as being both an understanding and an action: Say for instance that you are walking across a large field with which you are not familiar. This particular field is slightly rolling, and as such, each side of the field rolls over the hill out of sight. Now imagine that you are walking across the middle of this field, planning to travel from one side to the other. As you do, in the middle of the field you come upon a row of small posts. As you look to your right, the posts vanish over the hill; as you look to your left, the posts also vanish. A closer look reveals that to each post is attached a small yellow plastic device of some sort, and a bare wire is running through the yellow device from post to post. Each post has four of the yellow devices evenly spaced from top to bottom, and likewise, there are four strands of bare wire. Remember, these posts and wires disappear over the rise to each side. As you look, you see no gate, and the top strand is about waist high. Also, remember, you want to cross this field!

What will you do? Do you reach down with a bare hand, take hold of the top strand, and simply lift your leg over? Think about it! If you’re reading this, and you’re farm folk, my guess is that you will not take hold of that top strand. Why would you not take hold? Because you believe this to be an electric fence, it could be hot, and it will most likely shock you, but good! You see, you don’t know if it is hot, but you believe it could be – what you believe about an electric fence has just been displayed by your actions!

Likewise, what we know (or don’t know) of Jesus shapes our actions. When we know Jesus to be the Son of God, the Savior of the world, the sacrifice for our sin, and the power over death, we begin to act in ways different from those who do not know, or at least, do not believe such to be true.

You see, faith is real; its power to change lives is also real! Sometimes it comes to us in large measure and we see drastic change in our life, or the lives of others. Sometimes faith comes to us in small doses over a lifetime. Sometimes it does both.

*God bless,
Brother Rickey*

Pastor Rickey’s sermons are posted on our website every Sunday, right after the conclusion of the 11 a.m. service. Go to www.fumctullahoma.com, select “sermons” and “view media player.” From there you may select the sermon you want to listen to.

Ongoing Activities

Wednesdays

- “Back to the Table” Meal & Message Disciple Series 5-6 p.m.
- Instrumental Ensemble 5:30-6:15 p.m.
- Middle School Youth Group 6:30-8 p.m.
- Choir Rehearsal 6:30-7:45 p.m.
- High School Youth Disciple I 6:30 p.m.

Thursdays

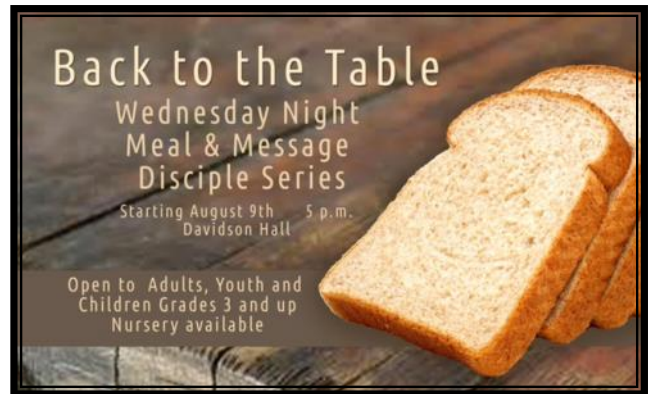
- Henry Center Food Pantry, Financial Assistance, & Clothes Closet 12-2 p.m.
- Handbells 5:30 p.m.

Sundays

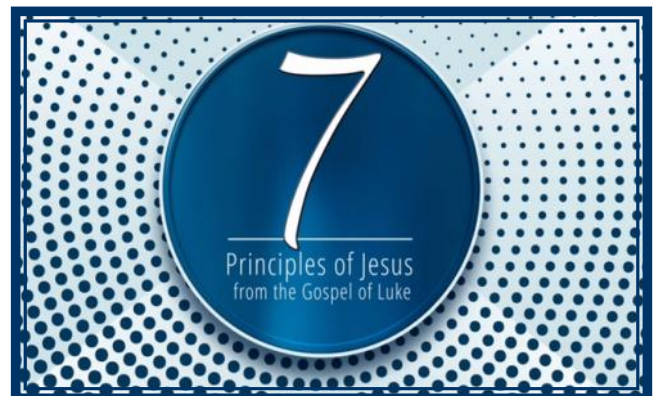
- High School Youth Group 5-7 p.m.

Tuesdays

- Henry Center Food Pantry & Financial Assistance 12-2 p.m.



Back to the Table, a Wednesday Night Meal & Message Disciple Series, begins August 9th from 5-6 p.m., in Davidson Hall. Open to all ages. The nursery will be available, and there will be an activity planned for children K - 2nd from 5:30-6 p.m. We hope you will join us for this time of food, fellowship, and family devotions.



Current Sermon series (through August 20th)

Senior VIBES

Ongoing Events...

Adult Art Group

1st & 3rd Fridays

10 a.m. - noon

Art Room, main building



This Week's Events...

Wednesday, August 9th

"Back To The Table" Dinner and Devotion, 5-6 p.m.

Senior Ministry—Esther J. Sims

Thought of the Week: "Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you."
1 Peter 5:7

Voting has started for the Senior Adult Ministry name change. Voting will continue until Sunday, August 13th. Make your vote count!

Happy Birthday!!!

August 9 Jerry TeVrucht
11 Melba Mahrenholz
14 Joan Swann
15 Doug Thomas
16 Jimmie Lou Smith
18 Connie Hyde
19 Betty Horton
21 Sue Miller



Coming Events...

Thursday, August 17th - Sister Act Play & Lunch in Crossville; \$30 (SOLD OUT - have started a waiting list)

Thursday, August 24th - Book Club, 6 p.m.; *Sally Ride*

Thursday, November 30th

Christmas at Beersheba - You don't want to miss this!

Please check our prayer list in the newsletter and on the church's white board outside the office. Help the staff stay in touch! If you have knowledge of any of our Senior Adult Members who would like to be remembered in prayer or would like a visit from our pastoral staff, please do not hesitate to let us know. Also, we acknowledge birthdays of Senior Adult Members weekly in the newsletter; if you would like to be added to the list give me a call (Esther: 455-5434).

First Light & Outreach Ministry—Jeff Harrison

Hey Everyone,



We will be making a change to the First Light order of worship very soon. We feel that it would be great to offer prayer at the end of each service, not as an altar call, but as a chance to minister to people through prayer. I know that when I have responded to God speaking to my heart, real lasting change has happened when I have told someone and they have prayed with and for me. If you would like to serve First Light in this way, please contact me. We will have teams of people every week who are ready and willing to minister in this way.

*In Christ,
Jeff*

Missions Moment—Holt Cason



One of the more meaningful passages in the Bible that reflects Volunteers in Missions comes from Luke 10 where Jesus anointed 72 disciples and told them; "The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." There is always plenty to do and people to witness to throughout the world. Local congregations can help by becoming a supporting church and/or a sending church. It begins with prayer for guidance and finances to support the mission.

Trunk or Treat 2017

Are you interested in helping with Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 29th? Last year we had over 700 people from our community in attendance. This year's event will take many hands of all ages. Please contact Julie Uehlein, 581-8320, if interested in contributing in some way.



Children's Ministry—Julie Uehlein

Please note: Last Sunday's parent meeting was rescheduled for this Sunday, August 13th at 10 a.m. in the Art Room. Please make plans to attend.

Want a Children's Ministry t-shirt? We have sizes 12 months – adult XXL for \$5. Contact me if interested!

Information relating to our Children's Ministry is available at the Information Station desk (at the top of the steps in the Children's Department). Any forms or info you need will be at this desk. All sign-up sheets (parents and children) will be located on the bulletin board that is between the bathroom doors in the Children's Department. All info pertaining to the nursery and nursery aged children will be kept in the nursery or on the bulletin board to the right of the nursery door.

Jesus said, "Let the Little Children come to me and do not hinder them for the Kingdom of God belongs to such as these" Mark 10:14-1



Sunday, August 13th
Nursery Hours
7:45 a.m. - 12 noon

Sunday School
10:00 a.m. (Main bldg., 2nd floor)

Children's Church
11:00 a.m. service

Please remember to keep Ms. Julie in your prayers, as her mom passed away last Saturday.

Youth & Discipleship Ministry—Kris Roberts



WEEKLY SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST

Sundays

Worship 8, 9, and 11 a.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
HS Youth 5 p.m. - Coffee /
Topical Discussion / Dinner

Wednesdays

MS Youth 6:30-8 p.m. (August only),
6-8 p.m. beginning in September -
Snack Supper / Topical Discussion /
Planned Activities (Gym)
Disciple Bible Study 6-8 p.m. (Start date TBD)

Middle School Youth and Parents:

Join us on Wednesday, August 9th at 6:30 p.m. for our annual start of the school year meeting. Important information will be shared and a time of Q & A with the youth ministry director and staff will be held.

Disciple I Orientation - Wednesday, August 9th, 6:30 p.m., Confirmation room. All interested High School students are encouraged to attend.

HS @ Nashville Sounds Baseball (Conference event)
Sunday, August 20th

Discipleship

Registration has begun for our LIFEgroup ministry. Each Sunday you will have the opportunity to sign-up to be a part of a ministry that is truly changing lives in our congregation! Our launch night will be Sunday, August 27th at 6 p.m. in the Family Activity Center. Join us that evening for dinner and vision casting!



Sunday School Challenge

Keep the school supplies coming as we intend to collect supplies through the month of August. Supplies can be left in the small chapel or the Hope Sunday School Class. Thank you for the generous giving and let us continue to serve our neighbors. -Terry Rayfield



The **Encouragers** will meet next Tuesday, August 15th, at Ruby Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. Hope to see you there.

Worship Attendance-Aug 6th

8 a.m.	65
First Light	131
11 a.m.	140
Total	336
Sunday School	116

Sunday, August 13th

Offering Counters

Steve & Julia Mayes
Terry & Dian Rayfield

Greeters/Welcome Teams

8:00 a.m.	Marquita Masuda Diane Herron
9:00 a.m.	Gena & Duane Grady
11:00 a.m.	Ann Smotherman Walter Wasilewski Margaret Savelle

Keeping In Prayers

Wendy Marcum Surratt (daughter of Dan & Fran Marcum)	Judy Fitch Juanita Bair Leon Smith	Caroline McPherson (great niece of Nancy Lawrence)
Lennon Lott (brother-in- law of Terry Rayfield)	Summer Grace Andrews (granddaughter of Elsa Andrews)	Brooke Mendenhall (cousin of Michelle Anderson)
Carol Starnes Terry (daughter of Rosemary Starnes)	Ron Harrison (cousin of Bryan Fogle)	Billy Roy Murray (Nancy Wright's family)
Eddie Windsor (nephew of Bob Prater)	Gloria Pless Forrest Frame	Carolyn Graham (sister of Bob Prater)
Nathan Adkins (brother of Michelle Carmack)	Helen Smith Melba Mahrenholz	Anthony Robinson, Scott Dowling & Mary Lundy (family of Wilma Finchum)

Family & friends of **Julie Uehlein**, in the passing of her mom,
Janice Hampton Quick, on Saturday, August 5th. Services were
here at Tullahoma FUMC on Wednesday, August 9th.



To receive text messages & emails from the church to keep you in the loop about everything that is going on, just text the word CHURCH to 931-452-4747 and click on the response. You may also sign-up to receive texts from specific areas of ministry. For our Youth Ministry, text YOUTH; for our Children's Ministry text CHILDREN. Once your form is filled out, we will begin sending you all the info you'll need.

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