

The Message—Pastor Rickey Wade

Good Intentions

As a child I enjoyed watching cartoons on television. This may date me a bit but one of my favorite cartoons was Popeye. If you are familiar with the Popeye cartoon you will also remember a character by the name of Wimpey. Wimpey was fond of eating hamburgers but always just a bit short on cash. One of Wimpey’s favorite lines was, “I will gladly pay you Tuesday for a hamburger today.” Wimpey was always putting things off until tomorrow, knowing that in some way tomorrow never comes.

The writer of Proverbs warns about putting off the good we may do until a more convenient time. “Do not withhold from those who deserve it when it’s in your power to help them. If you can help your neighbor now, don’t say, ‘Come back tomorrow, and then I’ll help you’” (3:27-28). In other words, do good to your neighbor today in whatever way is possible. Procrastinating about such good is a sin.

John Wesley had a rule about doing good to one’s neighbor. Mr. Wesley said, “Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can.” Obviously, Mr. Wesley did not hold with the notion of putting off until tomorrow the good that you could do today.

It would seem then, that doing good to another (so long as it is in our power to do so) is an obligation. The good we can do for another belongs to them and not us. I know this may sound strange, but as Christians we are obligated to help those in need. Before you think I have gone too far, let me add, this only applies to helping those who cannot help themselves; it does not apply to the lazy or slothful who will not help themselves. The proverb does say, “those who deserve it.”

Therefore, do today what you can for your sister and brother in need. Help to meet their physical needs, their emotional needs, and their spiritual needs. God expects such of us, and will one day examine our response in this matter. On that day, when you are all out of tomorrows, good intentions will not matter all that much.

*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

- Dossett Chapel 3:15-5 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.
- Adult Bible Study 6:30-8 p.m.

Thursdays

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

Fridays

- Young Mom’s Group, 9 a.m. - 12 noon, Reception Room #111, main building

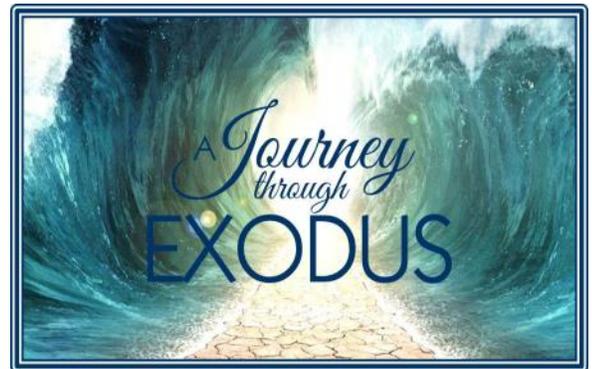
Sundays

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

Tuesdays

- Henry Center Food Pantry & Financial Assistance 12-2 p.m.
- Boy Scouts 7-8 p.m.

Current Sermon Series



**This Sunday, September 17th:
“A God Who Delivers”, Exodus 14:19-31**

The **Encouragers** will meet next Tuesday, the 19th, at Emils, 210 East Lincoln Street, at 12:30 p.m. This is a group dedicated to all of our folks who have lost their spouse. It is a time to fellowship together and encourage each other through God's love and grace.
Thanks and God Bless, Linda Roberts

United Methodist Women

Hope everyone has had a great summer! Hard to believe that 3rd Monday, September 18th, is right around the corner. We will meet at 10:30 a.m. Our speakers are Florence Hull and Candy Couch, sharing the history of Tullahoma. Should be very interesting. Looking forward to seeing everyone - bring a friend! *Board Meeting at 9:30 a.m.*

Senior VIBES

Ongoing Events...

Adult Art Group

1st & 3rd Fridays

10 a.m. - noon

Art Room, main building



Happy Birthday!!!

September 15 Jim Fuqua

16 Emily

Weddington

19 Beverly Lindsay

20 Dick Rhudy

21 Gail Dean

21 Mary Parker



Senior Ministry—Esther J. Sims

Thought of the Week: *“God sends His love toward you even in the worst seasons of your life!” (Mike Murdock)*

I apologize for so many confusing dates and time changes in our event details. Some of these dates were set a year ago and things change. Sometimes I make mistakes because I fail to write the times down and need to make up a time. Please forgive me. The following events and activities should be correct.

This Week's Events...

Saturday, September 16th - Brunch at Readyville Mill; cost \$20; leaving FAC building parking lot at 9:30 a.m. & returning around 2 p.m.

Coming Events...

Thursday, September 21st - Older Adult Fall Conference; St. Mark's Murfreesboro; 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.; retired Bishop Kenneth Carder is the former Bishop of the Nashville Area; deadline to register is Monday, September 18th; Cost \$15.00

Thursday, September 28th - Tullahoma FUMC Book Club; “A Twist of Faith”

Sunday, October 1st - Sager Brown Meeting, 12:30 p.m. in the FAC Building

Saturday, October 14th - Hoe Down, 5-7:30 p.m. in the FAC Building (bring your favorite pot of chili, soup or dessert - drinks will be provided)

Sunday, October 29th - Trunk or Treat

Thursday, November 30th - Christmas at Beersheba; cost \$20

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 are back to school and Fall is in full swing. The weather is getting nicer (except all the rain) and the holidays will be here before you know it. This is not just First Light news, but we will be renovating the movie room upstairs into a studio for video. I know that many of you have loved the videos we have put together in the past for stewardship, but we really want to expand this ministry to better communicate the gospel to a world that desperately needs to hear it. It will be an on-going process, but I will try to keep you updated about our progress.

*In Christ,
Jeff*

Missions Moment—Holt Cason



Just as we began to make progress with helping victims of hurricane Harvey, we are now faced with a serious weather disaster from hurricane Irma. Often times, the best we can do is pray that God's will prevails and there will be minimum loss of life and property. Beyond that, we ask that we can open our hearts and wallets to help in hurricane relief. The easiest method to give is through our church financial office. Please pray and give what God lays on your heart as you recall 2 Corinthians 9:7.

Sunday School Challenge

The challenge for September is new socks and underwear for the Henry Center Clothes Closet. These items are greatly needed. Items can be left in the small chapel or the Hope Sunday School Class in the main building. Thank you for the generous giving and let us continue to serve our neighbors. -Terry Rayfield



Children's Ministry—Julie Uehlein

teamKID (Kids in Disciple) began this past Sunday. What a great way to plant The Word in our children. Our next time to gather will be Sunday, October 1st from 4 – 5:30 p.m..

Would you like for your child to be exposed to missions and serving others? Join us at Dossett Chapel on Wednesdays the rest of this month at 3 p.m. to learn how you can serve. Contact me for more information.

This Sunday, September 17th, we will meet from 4 – 5:30 p.m. at the home of Doug and Linda Thomas (10815 Tullahoma Hwy) for some play time. They have a zipline your kiddos will love! This activity is for ages nursery – 5th grade...activities and fun for all!!

We have given out our Children's Ministry bags and explained to the children how our new attendance, good deed, etc. incentives program will work. Please detach and sign the note that went home with your child. Let me know if you have any questions.

If you have not received a calendar of events, please see me. Also, to receive texts and emails concerning our Children's Ministry, text CHILDREN to 452-4747 then fill out the info sent back to you. It will take you 30 seconds.

I always welcome your feedback and look forward to hearing from our parents.

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, Sept. 17th
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

*Partnering WITH You,
Miss Julie*

Youth & Discipleship Ministry—Kris Roberts

YOUTH

This time of year is my favorite! The weather is beginning to cool down, Friday night lights are in full swing, and we are in a good weekly routine. I would like to invite any youth that feels a little disconnected to join us at youth group! We are having a blast, forming new friendships and experiencing the presence of God through worship and good conversation. Invite a friend to come with you and join us soon!

WHAT WE'RE TEACHING (Youth Group in September)

We all want to be awesome at life. For some of us, being awesome means getting famous, making money, or having power. God's version of living an awesome life, though, is a little different. With God, an awesome life is a life of wisdom. It's about choosing the narrow road, following God's lead, surrounding ourselves with wise people, and inviting others to do the same.



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sundays

Worship 8, 9, & 11 a.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
HS Youth 5 p.m.

Coffee / Topical Discussion / Dinner

Wednesdays

MS Youth 6-8 p.m. - Snack Supper / Topical Discussion / Planned Activities (Gym)
Disciple Bible Study 6-8 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, September 15th - MS Jump Park & Lock-in

COMING IN OCTOBER!

Friday, October 28th - Youth Hay Ride and Bonfire



Discipleship



Did you know that our LIFEgroup ministry is in it's second year at FUMC? We have close to 100 people meeting in homes during the week for a time of connection, discussing the current sermon series, and praying for one another. If you would like to know more about LIFEgroups, please contact Kris Roberts or Jeff Harrison for more information.

Trunk or Treat 2017

We are now collecting candy for Trunk or Treat. You may drop off candy in the orange container located outside the church office in the main building, or in the Family Activity Center. If you would like help in any way with Trunk or Treat on Sunday, October 29th, please contact Julie Uehlein at 581-8320. Last year we had over 700 people from our community in attendance. This year's event will take many hands of all ages.



Worship Attendance-

September 10th

8 a.m.	69
First Light	142
11 a.m.	116
Total	327
Sunday School	135

Sunday, September 17th

Offering Counters

Jim & Helen McClure
Kay Crosswy
Sam DiNicola

Greeters/Welcome Teams

8:00 a.m.	Helen McClure Joan Everetts
9:00 a.m.	Shanna Brooks Scott Jones
11:00 a.m.	Mark & Susan Russell Janna Washington

Keeping In Prayers

Mary Alice Hollinshead	Dewitt Cox	Ron Harrison (cousin of Bryan Fogle)
Myra Nelson (sister of Nancy Wright & Ruth Rymer)	Nathan Adkins (brother of Michelle Carmack)	Judy Fitch
Carolyn Graham (sister of Bob Prater)	Ed Horton	Brooke Mendenhall (cousin of Michelle Anderson)
Lennon Lott (brother-in- law of Terry Rayfield)	Gloria Pless	Billy Roy Murray (Nancy Wright's family)
Caroline McPherson (great niece of Nancy Lawrence)	Leon Smith	Anthony Robinson, Scott Dowling & Mary Lundy (family of Wilma Finchum)
	Forrest Frame	
	Helen Smith	
	Summer Grace Andrews (granddaughter of Elsa Andrews)	



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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