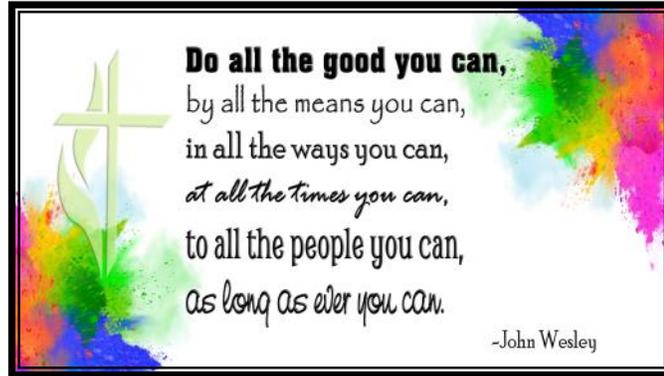


A Word from our Pastor on Stewardship

Brothers & Sisters,

I thought you may be interested to know how things are going with our annual planned giving for **2018**.

November 12th, 2017 was pledge Sunday. At the moment, we are behind in the number of pledges, and the amount pledged as compared to last year. Therefore, if you have not made your pledge for **2018**, would you please do so. The information from your pledge is crucial to our budget process, and our ministry planning for the coming year. You can drop your pledge card off at the financial office during normal hours, or drop it in one of the pledge boxes during the worship services. Likewise, you can mail your pledge to the church, or contact the church and someone will be happy to pick up your pledge and bring it to the church. Thank you so much for your willingness to give in the name of Christ!



*God bless,
Pastor Rickey*

A financial note for 2017

Some of you have inquired of me about our financial status as we near the end of **2017**. Honestly, we are behind in giving for the year. Our giving was down in the early summer months, and although giving has increased of recent, we remain behind on our budget. If you are behind on your planned giving, catching up would be a real help. Also, if you would like to give an offering beyond your planned giving, such would also be greatly appreciated. Thank you for giving to the work of Christ through Tullahoma First United Methodist Church.

Ongoing Activities

Wednesdays

- Dossett Chapel 3:15-5 p.m.
- Middle School Youth Group 6-8 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.

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.

Sign-up sheets for all projects are located on the bulletin board outside of the finance office. Please sign-up by this Sunday, November 19th.

The Church office will be closed next Thursday & Friday, November 23rd & 24th, for Thanksgiving. Please note that there will not be a newsletter next week.

Special Announcement:
Beginning in 2018, the Good News newsletter will be published on a monthly basis, instead of weekly. They will be sent out during the last week of the month for the following month. You will receive your first monthly newsletter the end of December, for the month of January.

Senior VIBES

Ongoing Events...

Adult Art Group

Fridays
10 a.m. - noon
Art Room, main building



Knitting Group

3rd, 4th, & 5th Tuesdays
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
FAC Bldg., Room #4



Senior Ministry—Esther J. Sims

Thought of the Week: “Christian growth is all about grace- the grace of a Father who works in us to will and to work for His good pleasure.”

This Week's Events...

Book Club – Thursday, November 16th,
6:30 p.m., Reception Room

Encourager's Luncheon - Tuesday, November
21st, 12:30 p.m.

Coming Events...

Sunday, November 26th Sunday of Service
Thursday, November 30th Christmas at
Beersheba (leaving FAC Building at 9 a.m.
returning around 2 p.m.

Happy Birthday!!!

December

Betty Simmons 16th
Kay Crosswy 21st
Mary Lou Barnett 21st
Debbie Sanders 22nd
Tut Smith 23rd

What a great way to use your talents for the Lord. Sunday, November 26th is our **Sunday of Service**. Take a look at the bulletin board outside of Renee's office. Please sign up for one or more of the many ministries available to you by Sunday, November 19th.

First Light & Outreach Ministry—Jeff Harrison



Hey Everyone,

Thank you so much for your prayers, kind words and compliments for Evelyn. She is wonderful and we are so happy to have her to care for and love on! She has her days and nights mixed up, so if you see Beth and I walking around looking more tired than usual, you know why. We also had a great experience at Harton Hospital. The staff, nurses and doctors were just wonderful and Beth was well taken care of. Thanks again for all your love and support. We can't wait for you to meet her.

*In Christ,
Jeff*

Missions Moment—Holt Cason



Early last month in a Missions Moment write-up there was a request to consider helping our VIM team going to Guatemala in February with needed funds. The team estimates that they will need approximately \$8,300 to complete a medical center building. This facility is needed for those that do not have any, or that have inadequate, medical care. This MM is to ask again for your financial support for this project. Please mark your contributions for “Guatemala Medical Center.”

Sunday School Challenge

November's challenge is gently used toboggans and gloves for the Henry Center Clothes Closet. They are also in need of winter coats for children ages pre-K through elementary school. These 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.



United Methodist Women Food Fair Booth at the Kiwanis Kraft Show November 17, 2017 Bake and Buy



United Methodist Women will be accepting food fair items on Thursday, November 16, 2017, from 1:30-4:30 p.m. and Friday, November 17, 2017, from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Maybe you have a favorite pie, cake, bread, jam, jelly or pickle recipe. Share your homemade items with the community!

Listed below are local charities helped by the 2016 UMW fundraiser:

Blue Monarch, Coffee County Children's Advocacy Center, Coffee County Imagination Library, Coffee County Literacy, Dossett Chapel, Haven of Hope, Parish Ministry, Partners for Healing, Shepherd's House, Trinity Adult Day Care Center and Tullahoma Day Care Center.

Rada Cutlery, pecans and almonds may also be purchased.

United Methodist Women

Our monthly meeting will be held Monday, November 20th at 10:30a.m. We will be collecting deodorant for the Henry Center. Looking forward to seeing everyone! Board Meeting at 9:30am.

Children's Ministry—Julie Uehlein

November is already flying by! Preparations are underway for the holiday and Christmas seasons.



Painted House: If your child painted at The Painted House last Sunday, the paintings will be given out the Sunday after Thanksgiving (November 26th) during our churchwide Day of Service. If you wish to distribute the paintings at that time, please meet in the SOUL Lounge following our unified church service. Speaking of Sunday of Service, there are several areas that the children can help. Signups are outside the Financial office. Will you need the nursery after the church service this day? If so, you must register by November 19; see the signup sheet in the nursery for details.



Sunday, November 19th

Nursery Hours

8 a.m. - 12 noon

Sunday School

10 a.m. (Main bldg.,
2nd floor)

Children's Church

11 a.m. service

December 10th Christmas Program: The children will perform at the 9 a.m. First Light Service and the very beginning of the 11 a.m. service. The children will practice their songs for the Christmas programs during Sunday School on the following dates: November 19th and December 3rd. Adam Womack, our new choir director, is leading the practices. The songs the children will sing are: *Silent Night* (vs. 1, 4), *Go Tell It on the Mountain* (all verses) and *Joy to the World* (vs. 1, 4). The lyrics can be found by doing a Google search. Dress for program: whatever the kids want to wear! We will provide Santa hats, headbands, etc...the morning of. ****Please wear or bring comfortable clothes to change into for party afterwards**** The Halos will sing at the 11 a.m. service only this day, then again on Christmas Eve at 6 p.m.

Christmas Party: We will have our Happy Birthday, Jesus! Christmas party following the 11 am performance. I am super excited to announce that our special guests will be residents of Blue Monarch and families from Tullahoma Daycare. Our schedule looks like this:

- 11:30 a.m. - Begin serving lunch in Davidson Hall
- 12:00 p.m. - Pastor Rickey will tell the children the story of Jesus' birth
- 12:15 p.m. - We will have fun activities for children OF ALL AGES in the gym
- 1:30 p.m. - The party concludes

This is a family event so please plan to stay and welcome/ socialize with our guests. This is a great way for us all to be The Hands and Feet of Christ to our community.

Attendance: In August, your child was given a letter explaining our attendance and incentive rewards system that began September 3rd. So many of your kiddos are working hard to get perfect attendance or the 12 Sunday minimum by our December 10th cutoff date and I am so proud of them. I realize that sometimes things prevent Sunday School attendance so I want to offer the kids an alternative to make up 2 of those days. If your child writes a letter of appreciation to his/her Sunday School teacher, donates a personal item to the Henry Center, performs a random act of kindness, etc. he/she will receive 1 credit attendance per above act. These are due by December 10th and your child must see me for the credit. Because we are not meeting for Sunday School on November 26th (church wide Day of Service), the 12 time attendance minimum will now be reduced to 11. Please let me know if you have any questions!!

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

Be Blessed!

Miss Julie (581-8320)

Youth & Discipleship Ministry—Kris Roberts

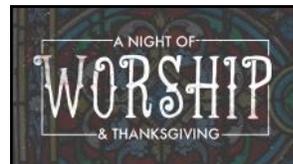


HAPPENING IN NOVEMBER!

Saturday, November 18th: . The UMW group gives our youth ministry a space to sell baked goods on Saturday from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Each year we ask parents to contribute brownies, pies, cakes, etc. and students to work a 2 hour shift collecting money and helping customers. The proceeds benefit our summer mission and camp programs.

Sunday, November 19th: A Night of Worship and Thanksgiving.

Something new this year! We will be hosting a night of worship, prayer and communion for all FUMC youth, grades 6-12. We want to give space for a time of gratitude during this beautiful season. More info about location, etc. to come!



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.

IMPORTANT

It's time to begin registration for the HS ski trip and Warmth in Winter! Parents, please check your email for the registration links.

—Discipleship—



Do you have a desire to connect with others who are wanting to grow in their faith? We have an opportunity to do just that through our LIFEgroup ministry! Each week people from FUMC meet in homes all over Tullahoma and Estill Springs for good food, conversation around the Sermon, and a time of prayer. If you have not joined a LIFEgroup, please contact Kris Roberts for more information at 931-581-2310.

**Worship Attendance-
November 12th**

8 a.m.	58
First Light	131
11 a.m.	119
Total	308
Sunday School	129
Dossett Sunday School	28
Total Sunday School	157

Sunday, November 19th

Offering Counters

Steve & Julia Mayes
Terry & Dian Rayfield

Greeters/Welcome Teams

8:00 a.m. Helen McClure
Bob Lawrence

9:00 a.m. The Carmack Family

11:00 a.m. Bill Bethmann
Rosemary Crabtree
Cathy Diller

Keeping In Prayers

Chris & Regina St. Germain & family (family of Mary Smith)	Daniella Lennon (sister of Angie Smith)	Leon Smith Forrest Frame Summer Grace Andrews (granddaughter of Elsa Andrews)
Inez Crump (mother of Diane Chellstorp and grandmother of Chad Chellstorp)	Jerry TeVrucht Elsa Andrews Robert Breezley Paschall Massengill	Billy Roy Murray (Nancy Wright's family)
Dylan Piche (brother of Angie Smith)	Carolyn Graham (sister of Bob Prater)	Anthony Robinson, Scott Dowling & Mary Lundy (family of Wilma Finchum)
Gloria Pless	Ed Horton Judy Fitch	

Janna Washington and her family on the passing of her father, **Russell "Gene" Dawes**, on November 13th. Mr. Dawes was 101 years old. Services will be Monday, November 20th at Davis Funeral Home in Cushing, OK.

Memorials

Sara McClure

from
Seekers Sunday School Class

Wendy Surratt

from
Stan & Jamie McNabb
Mary Etta Ward

Janice Quick

from
John Orr
Stan & Jamie McNabb



**Salvation Army
Bell Ringers
Needed!**

First United Methodist Church will be providing Salvation Army bell ringers at both doors at the Tullahoma Walmart on December 9th from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. This organization provides an amazing ministry helping the poor in our community. I hope you will consider volunteering. Many 1 hour time slots are available. A sign-up sheet is posted in the hall just outside the financial secretary's office.



**SAVE THE
DATE!**

November 25th
at 1 p.m. we will
be decorating the Historic
Sanctuary for the Christmas
season. Please consider
helping decorate our beautiful
Sanctuary for the holidays.

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