



SUNDAYS
NURSERY | 9:15am - 11:45am | Newborn - 5yrs | Main Floor
SUNDAY SCHOOL | 9:15am | Ages 0-4: Main Floor | Grades K-5: Third Floor
CHILDRENS CHURCH | 10:30am | Third Floor

WEDNESDAYS
KIDS CHOIR | 6:00pm | 3rd Floor

CONTACT | Director of Children's Ministries
Lisa Cavallucci | lisa@fumcmorristown.org



SUNDAYS
RIOT | 9:15am - 10:15am | Grades 6-12 | Youth City
CONFIRMATION CLASS | 4:00pm | Youth City
CHOIR | 5:00pm | Music Room
HANDBELLS | 6:00pm | Music Room

WEDNESDAYS
RALLY | 5:55-7:07pm | Youth City




UPCOMING EVENTS
MOTOWN MADNESS | February 23-25

CONTACT | Interim Youth Director
Lori Hotel | LorenHotel@yahoo.com



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES | Sundays (year around) 9:15am-10:15am
Please scan the QR code to explore which class is right for you!
CONTACT | Sunday School Coordinators
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JOYFUL HEARTS—*A Streetcar Named Desire*
Sunday, March 10 | 2pm | Rose Center
Presented by the Theatre Guild. Meet at Rose Center at 1:45pm or at the church at 1:15pm to carpool. Dinner after the show at Holstons. Tickets are \$15 and can be paid for in the church office or on the Church Center app (\$15.50). Please indicate if you are meeting at the church or Rose Center and if you are joining them for dinner.



WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER \$10 per plate; \$5 half plate
5pm supper line opens
5:55pm Youth—YC
6:00pm Kids Choir—3rd Floor
6:00pm Adult Program

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21
5pm Menu: Huey Magoos
6pm Program: Marshall Ramsey, City of Morristown

Sign up online or in the church office by 12noon February 19!

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28
5pm Menu: Spaghetti
6pm Program: Bible Trivia

Sign up online or in the church office by 12noon February 26!

Reservations and prepay are required by noon Monday each week. You may reserve and pay on the Church Center app (there is a small surcharge when paying on the app) or in church office before and after 10:30am service or during the week. If you can't make your reservation, you may grab a meal to go, but no refunds are available.

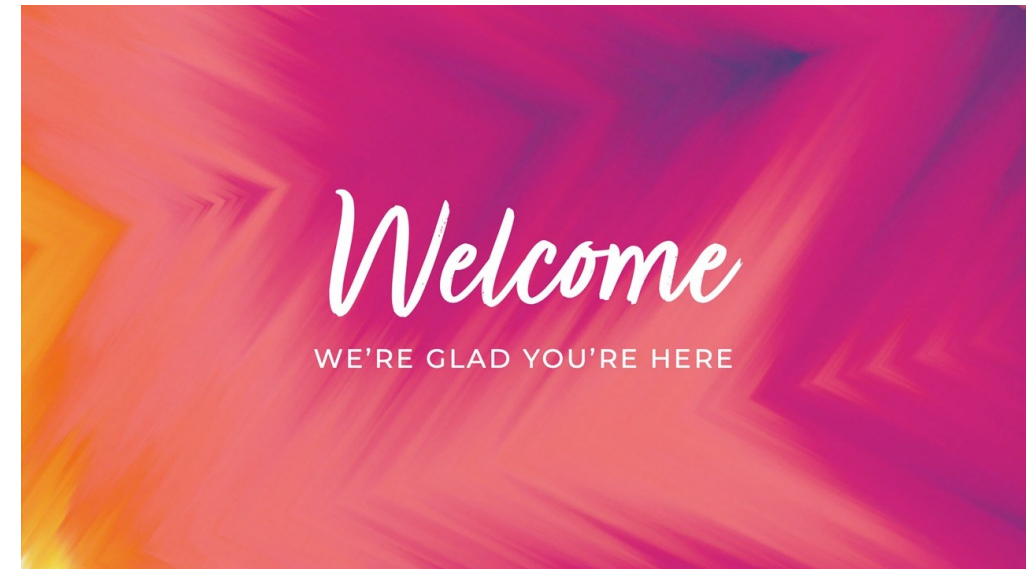


FENCE MINISTRY NEEDS

Warm Socks Warm Gloves Warm Hats Warm Scarves
Men - Women - Boys - Girls

A silver can is located on the main level of the church near the elevator to collect your donations. Contact Leigh Travis (423-736-3031) with any questions or ideas.

WELCOME TO First United Methodist Church - Est. 1852 -



February 18, 2024

Making disciples as we gather, grow, and go.

WELCOME to **First United Methodist Church (FUMC).** We would love to have you fill out your name and any information you feel comfortable sharing on the attendance pad. If you need help with anything today, please contact one of our ushers, pastors or security team members. We hope you will join us again as we *Gather, Grow and Go* at FUMC.



GATHER



GROW



GO



CONNECT WITH US

Scan our QR code to find FUMC on social apps, including the Church Center app, which connects you to our Small Groups, events, calendars, and more!

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

First Sunday in Lent Sunday

Liturgical Color: Purple

February 18, 2024

8:15am & 10:30am

Please remember to silence cell phones.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS and devices for the hearing impaired are available for this morning’s service. Please see an usher.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

The Old 100th

J.G. Walther

Choral Introit (10:30am)

God Is Here

Hal H. Hopson

* Hymn UMH 61

Come, Thou Almighty King

ITALIAN HYMN

* Affirmation of Faith UMH 881

The Apostles’ Creed

(8:15am) Linda Kilday

(10:30am) Marcia Whetsel

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic** church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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* Gloria Patri UMH 70

Glory Be to the Father

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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Anthem (8:15am)

I Will Joyfully Sing

Mary McDonald

Revelation Youth Choir

Anthem (10:30am)

They Shall Soar Like Eagles

Laura Manzo

Chancel Choir

Congregational Celebrations & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

* Prayer for Illumination

(8:15am) Linda Kilday

(10:30am) Marcia Whetsel

Loving God, who speaks to us through your Scriptures and in the collective wisdom of your people throughout the ages: Help us to hear anew what you would speak to us this day. For your word is always fresh, a message of life and hope in the world that needs to know and heed your will. Through Christ the living Word and your spirit of illumination who with You is the truth that sets us free. Amen.

* Gospel Lesson

Mark 1:9-15

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Entering the Wilderness

Pastor Asa

Worship of God by Giving Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Ich Ruf Zu Dir

J.S. Bach

* Doxology UMH 95

OLD 100TH

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication

* Hymn of Response UMH 127

CWM RHONDDA

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

* Benediction

* A Corporate Blessing

A Lenten Blessing in the Wilderness

God, here we are starting down this Lenten path. A path of promise, of hope, and of refreshment, but we feel the pull of the mundane. It’s a kind of restlessness Not some aberration, but the norm, because we know we live inside our own contingency, scrunched into time and circumstance, as if we have woken up in the middle of a play that has already started, a plot in motion. But we have glimpsed its meaning, its end, and it is glorious. If only we could know the lines, the entrances and exits, the way to move through with grace and beauty and patience. Because it’s your story, God, and ours. We live here, in the in-between, bearing the weight of the paradox that simultaneously, we see ourselves from the inside, in our fragility and dependence, and at the same time from the outside, in our heart-bursting possibility. And honestly, it is miserable sometimes. Unless, God, you walk us through this wilderness. Step by step. Because you know it from the inside out. Amen.

* Congregational Benediction UMH 521

SOJOURNER

I Want Jesus to Walk With Me

(verse 1—solo; all join on verse 2)

* Postlude

Improvisation

(*) Please stand as you are able.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS this morning are given to the glory of God by Charles & Jessie Goddard in memory of their parents.

FEBRUARY USHER TEAMS
8:15am Capt. Rusty Cantwell, Dick Copeland, Ron Reel, Ralph Stelzman, Donna Winstead
10:30am Capt. John Stroud, George Bryan, Steve Combs, Bill Compton, John Cranford, Charli Curry

ACOLYTE (10:30am) Kara Hotel
CRUCIFER (10:30am) Robert Kelly

Sermon Notes