



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

UPCOMING EVENT
NERFS & NACHOS | March 1 | 6:00pm | Gym

See Church Center or contact Lisa for more information.

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
SPRING RETREAT | March 15 & 16 Bays Mountain


See Church Center or contact Lori for more information,

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). Only 25 tickets have been reserved. 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 28
5pm Menu: Spaghetti
6pm Program: Bible Trivia

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6
5pm Menu: Meatloaf
6pm Program: Weather with Anthony

Sign up online or in the church office by 12noon March 4!

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

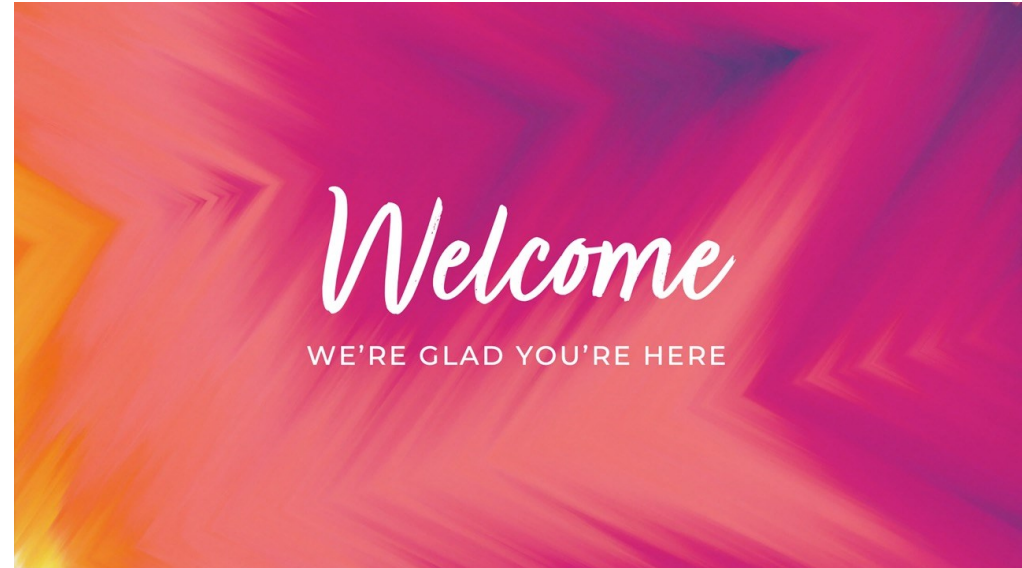
Warm Socks Warm Gloves Warm Hats Warm Scarves
Men - Women - Boys - Girls

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 25, 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

Second Sunday in Lent Sunday
Liturgical Color: Purple

February 25, 20248:15am & 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 Lift High the Cross arr. by Charles Callahan

Choral Introit (10:30am) God Is Here Hal H. Hopson

* **Hymn** UMH 159 Lift High the Cross CRUCIFER

* **Affirmation of Faith** UMH 884
A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church

(8:15am) Brad Jones (10:30am) Mike Pittman
We believe in the one God, creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations, the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love. We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world. We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength. We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love and prayer, and in grace equal to every need. We believe in the word of God contained in the Old and New Testaments as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice. We believe in the church, those who are united in the living Lord for the purpose of worship and service. We believe in the reign of God as the divine will realized in human society, and in the family of God, where we are all brothers and sisters. We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in the life everlasting. Amen.

* **Gloria Patri** UMH 70 Glory Be to the Father MEINEKE
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.

Congregational Celebrations & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

A Lenten Blessing for Coming Home

Anthem arr. by James Koerts
Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer

Jesus draw me ever nearer as I labor through the storm.
You have called me to this passage, and I'll follow, though I'm worn.

May this journey bring a blessing, may I rise on wings of faith;
And at the end of my heart's testing, with Your likeness let me wake.

Jesus guide me through the tempest; keep my spirit staid and sure.
When the midnight meets the morning, let me love You even more.

Let the treasures of the trial form within me as I go - and at the end of this long passage, Let me leave them at Your throne.

* **Prayer for Illumination**
(8:15am) Brad Jones (10:30am) Mike Pittman
Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

* **Gospel Lesson** Mark 8:31-38
The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

* **Hymn** UMH 338 Where He Leads Me NORRIS
(verse 1 only)

Sermon (8:15am) Get Behind Me Pastor Dennie

Sermon (10:30am) The Limitless Love of God Pastor Asa

Prayer of Confession
Lord, we have come to see that our lives fall far short of your glory.
Have mercy and forgive us.
Lord, you have given your life for us, and poured out your Spirit, yet we fail to return your love with all our heart.
Have mercy and change us.
Too often we are selfish and proud, ignoring you, Lord, and neglecting others.
Have mercy and cleanse us.
Lord, when we do not truly trust and obey you, we are overwhelmed by self-pity, fear, and worry.
Have mercy and deliver us.
In Christ we are given a sure hope and secure love, yet we follow the false hopes and desires of this world.
Have mercy and forgive us.
Father, through the redeeming death of your Son on the cross, by your Spirit and through your word, transform and renew us to follow you with joy.
All this we ask, confident in your unchanging faithfulness. Amen.

Worship of God by Giving Tithes and Offerings
Offertory Sarabande 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 415 GERMANY
Take Up Thy Cross

* **Benediction**
* **Choral Benediction** (10:30am) arr. by Koerts
May This Journey Bring a Blessing

* **Postlude** Improvisation

(*) Please stand as you are able.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS this morning are given to the glory of God by Pam Failing and Lea Hayward in memory of their parents, Jane & Stape Long.

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) Abbi Knight
CRUCIFER (10:30am) Isabel DuVal



Music Notes

Jesus, Draw Me Ever Nearer
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Music: Keith Getty
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Sermon Notes