

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given by Rich and Wendy McGowan in memory of their dads, Dick McGowan and Bob Hudak

ACOLYTE Bronson Galbreath
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COMMUNION SERVERS Carol Parson, Becky Reel, Paula Waldron
OCTOBER USHERS Bob Schwalb, captain; Matt Drinnon, Carrie Hoffmeister, Gary Johnson, Rob Kelly, and Rich McGowan



CHILDREN

Ages 0-Age 5

SUNDAYS

NURSERY | 9am-12pm | Newborn - 5yrs | Main Floor
SUNDAY SCHOOL | 10am | Ages 0-4: Main Floor | Grades K-5: Third Floor

WEDNESDAYS

CHILDRENS CHOIR | 6pm-6:45pm | Third Floor | Ages 4-11
Starts October 15! We will have a variety of music activities including singing and instruments. We will share our music at Old Fashioned Christmas on Wednesday, December 17.

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



YOUTH

Grades 6-12

SUNDAYS

RIOT | 10am | Grades 6-12 | Youth City
REVELATION YOUTH CHOIR | 5pm | Choir Room

WEDNESDAYS

RALLY | 6pm | Youth City

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



ADULTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES | Sundays (year around) | 10am
Please scan the QR code on the front of the bulletin to explore which class is right for you!

CONTACT | Sunday School Coordinators
Mike & Sandy Pittman | mspitt@charter.net

For more information about activities/events or calendar items, please go to the Church Center app. You may also pick up an FUMC calendar of events in the narthex or gym.



GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD
WORSHIP & HOSPITALITY OPPORTUNITIES ON CAMPUS

Flannel Fest | October 12 | 12pm
Hot dogs and s'mores in the parking lot. Wear your flannel to church. Sign up in the church office or in the Church Center app.

Chili Cook Off | Wednesday | October 15 | 5pm
Bring your best pot of chili or come with belt loosened to try everyone else's! The Boy Scouts will provide cobbler. Vote for your favorite chili with your donation. Proceeds will go to the Boy Scouts and missions. Sign up to enter or attend in the church office or in the Church Center app.

Concert for All Saints Sunday | Requiem by John Rutter | November 2 | 6pm
FUMC Chancel Choir will be joined by the Chamber Choirs of Walters State Community College Morristown and Sevier County campuses along with an instrumental ensemble in presenting this choral masterwork.



GROW TO BE LIKE JESUS
DISCIPLESHIP, TEACHING & SMALL GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

The Bible With and Without Jesus | Wednesdays | 11:00am | room 207
October 8-November 12. Join Pastor Asa for a deep dive into scripture as we look at the Bible and explore the Old Testament passages that are quoted in the New Testament. This study will help us understand what the texts meant in their original contexts and then how Jews and Christians, over time, understood those same texts. Books are \$19. Sign up in the church office or in the Church Center app. You may purchase your book through the church or on Amazon.

Wild and Wonderful | October 16 | 9am-12pm | Gym | \$15 (meal included)
Come enjoy storytelling by local favorite Jim Claborn along with worship and workshops on wills, funerals and a snowman craft project! Register on the Church Center app or in the church office. Deadline to register is **Monday, October 6.**



GO TO SERVE THE WORLD
MISSION OPPORTUNITIES OFF-CAMPUS & CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Blessing of the Animals | Saturday | October 4 | 12pm
A day of blessing our family pets! At Robb and Liz Neill's farm.

Fall Rummage Sale | October 24 8am-4pm | October 25 8am-1pm
Bring donations on Wednesday, October 22 from 5pm-7pm and all day Thursday. Pickups are available. Call the church office by Wednesday, October 22. Proceeds go to support youth missions and choir. Sign up to volunteer at the sale online.

World Communion Sunday
World Communion Sunday is one of six churchwide Special Sundays designated to support ministries and causes important to the entire United Methodist Church. On this Sunday, October 5, United Methodists join Christians around the world in celebrating Holy Communion, remembering that we are one in Christ, no matter our background, language, or culture. But it's more than just worship. It's also a time to support scholarships and leadership training for students from underrepresented communities - helping the Church become more inclusive and better equipped to serve.

Candy Donations
We are now collecting candy donations for our Community Trunk-or-Treat event! Please drop off individually wrapped candy to the silver can by the elevator on the main floor. **We need TONS of candy!!**

WELCOME TO

First United Methodist Church

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October 5, 2025



Making disciples as we gather, grow, and go.

WELCOME to **F**irst **U**nited **M**ethodist **C**hurch (FUMC). We would love to have you fill out your name and any information you feel comfortable sharing on the red 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



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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

17th Sunday after Pentecost
World Communion Sunday
Liturgical Color: White

October 5, 20259:00am

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.

(*) Please stand as you are able.

Welcome and Announcements

PreludeTrumpet Tune in DDavid Johnson

Choral IntroitSpeak to One Another in Words of PsalmsHal Hopson

*Hymn UMH 547O Church of God, UnitedELLACOMBE

*Affirmation of Faith UMH 881Jerry Cranford
The Apostles’ Creed

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 70Glory be to the FatherMEINEKE

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.

*Passing of the Peace

Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral PrayerPastor Dennie

*Prayer for IlluminationJerry Cranford
O Lord, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, and strength to follow on the path you set before us; through Jesus Christ, Amen.

*New Testament LessonGalations 3:18-25
The Word of God for the People of God. Thanks be to God.

SermonIt’s Not Good to be AlonePastor Dennie

Invitation to Communion

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God’s love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! In the Name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God. Amen.

Worship of God by Giving Tithes and Offerings

OffertoryThe Lord is My ShepherdLarry Shackley

*Doxology UMH 94LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Dedication

The Great Thanksgiving
The Lord be with you. And also with you.
Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
(The pastor gives thanks appropriate to the occasion, remembering God’s acts of salvation, and concludes:)


... as we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
(Sing as directed.)




Ho - ly ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord, God of po - wer and might.



Heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na in the



high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na, in the high - est.

(The pastor continues the thanksgiving. The institution of the Lord’s Supper is recalled. The pastor concludes:) ... as we proclaim the mystery of faith. (Sing as directed)



Christ has died, Christ is Ris - en, Christ will come a - gain!

(The pastor invokes the present work of the Holy Spirit and then praises the Trinity, concluding:) All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. (Sing as directed).



A - men, a - men, a - men.

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.

Instructions for Communion

All are invited to come to the table as you are able.
Please tell an usher if you would like to be served in the pew.
Gluten-free bread is served at the center station.
After being served, all are invited to kneel at the altar rail.

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

Anthem during Communionarr. by John Helgen
You Are Holy
Chancel Choir

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

*Hymn UMH 561Jesus, United by Thy GraceST. AGNES
(sing verses 1-4)

*Choral BenedictionAmenAlice Parker

*PostludeImprovisation
(Please remain standing and silent as the organ concludes our worship.)