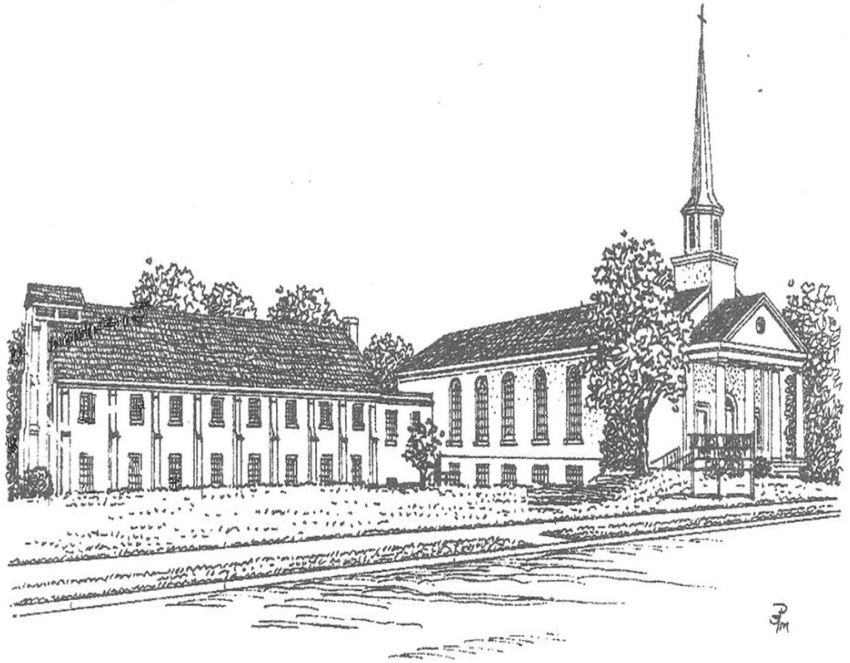
First United Methodist Church

270 Main Street

Savannah, Tennessee 38372

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH NEWSLETTER

JULY 29, 2021



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Please visit our website at: www.savannahfumc.com to view our newsletter and livestream our worship services.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JULY 29
Church office closed

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1
9 AM—Churchwide Breakfast
9:30 AM—Choir rehearsal
10 AM — Sunday School
10 AM—Prayer Group
11 AM—Worship

TUESDAY, AUGUST 3
12 PM—Rotary

THURSDAY, AUGUST 5
6:30 PM — Scouts

FRIDAY, AUGUST 6
Church office closed

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8
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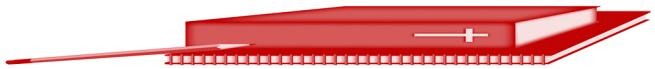
11 AM—Worship

Sunday's Sermon



Sunday, August 1, 2021

Scripture Lessons

Psalm 51:1-12; II Samuel 11:26-12:13a

Sermon

Mind Your Own Business

Children's Sermon

Have You Ever Been Caught With Your Hands in the Cookie Jar?

Remember, if you are worshipping from home, you may livestream the worship services each Sunday at 11am on our church website at:

www.savannahfumc.com

You may also view the services on our Facebook page.

Attendance Update

We had 78 attend our in-person July 18th worship service.

104 viewed the worship service online for a total of 182.

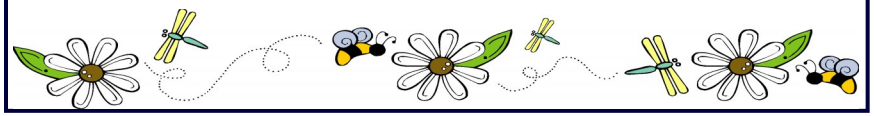
We had 48 attend Sunday School.

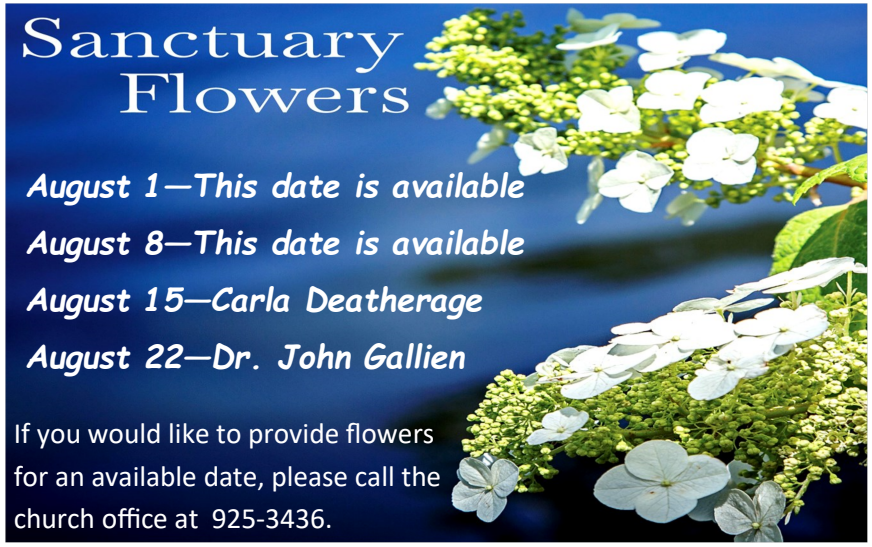
JESUS ACTS OF KINDNESS SURGE!

The Outreach Committee of First United Methodist Church would like to see Jesus Acts of Kindness signs everywhere in Savannah/ Hardin County. You may pick up a sign at the church to place in your yard or at your business. Also, the committee will be more than happy to bring a sign and place in your yard for you. Just call the church office to request one. Signs have been placed in the church yard

They would also like for everyone to demonstrate Jesus Acts of Kindness and encourage the children to carry out acts of kindness, too. They ask everyone to please remember to pray for all the children as they get ready to head back to school in the fall.

We had 189 reported Jesus Acts of Kindness for the month of July!





STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY, JULY 25, 2021

GIVING for the week of 07/25/2021	$ 4,460.00
YTD projected budget needs	$210,675.90
YTD budget offerings received	$207,994.42
Commitment/Pledge Campaign –Collected	$175,155.25

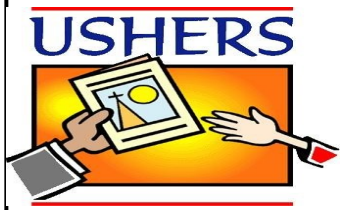
JULY 2021		Year to Date	
Income:	$27,235.00	Income:	$207,994.42
Expenses:	$24,643.67	Expenses:	$185,824.46

08/01 N. Smith, M. Smith

08/08 D. Hutchinson, Y. McGinley, L. Rice

08/15 A. Walz, E. Yeiser

08/22 K. Kemp, T. Smith



Ushers for the month of August

Neal & Marygrace Smith,

Chris Qualls

Media Tech for the month of August

Andrew Walz

For Sunday, August 1st:

Emily Alexander & Jean Anne Vaughn

Acolytes for the month of July

Rylee Qualls & Anna Lane Dennis

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1st

9 AM

in the Fellowship Hall

(no reservation is needed!)

Teacher Needed for the Cora Gene Miller Class

I will teach the Cora Gene Miller Class until Sunday, September 5, 2021. This will give class members the time they need to solicit a teacher or a team of teachers. The study book we will use is by James Moore and entitled, The Top Ten List for Christians. You can stop by the church office and pick up a book. The lesson for Sunday, July 18th is, Remember That Love Is the Greatest. I hope to see you in class on Sunday!

Joe

We will resume our mid week Bible Study on Wednesday, September 8th at 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall. We will be doing a six week study of Matthew Skinner's book on Acts entitled, ***Catching Up with the Spirit***. Acts provides a broad yet theologically attuned introduction to the story of the early church learning to bear witness about God's salvation through Jesus Christ. The cost for a book is $13.00. Rev. Rutherford will be leading the study. He will also conduct a morning, afternoon, or a Zoom class if anyone is interested. Call the church office at 925-3436 if you would like to order a book. **Deadline for ordering is Wednesday, August 11th.**

Our Prayer Concerns

In Sympathy

The Paul Robinson Family

The Howard Stewart Family

Hospital, Nursing Home & Assisted Living

Helen Alexander
Room 109
Adam's Place Asst. Living
1927 Memorial Blvd.
Murfreesboro, TN 37129

Tracy Anglin
Skilled Facility

June Barlow AHC
1645 Florence Rd.
Savannah, TN

Linton Morris
Skilled Facility
Savannah, TN

Bob Shutt
Hardin Medical Center

Joy Turner Room 42
Sycamore Place
8722 Winchester

At Home

Kristy Armstrong
Jay Bland
Vickie Blount
Sue Brown
Cindy Cheatham
Mildred Churchwell
Arlen Cline
Baylee Cromwell
Carla Deatherage
Julie Flatt
Amy Jerrolds
Sutton Lackey
Tommy Love
Eddie McDougal
Dennis Moffet
Streetie Morris
Nancy Polk
Elizabeth Ralston
Kenneth Ralston
Libby Ranney
Sue Roberts
Robert Sadler
Kitty Taylor
Dr. Jim Thomas
Kirk Thurman
Ridge Ward

Order of Worship
Sunday , August 1, 2021

Chiming the Hour		Organist
Bringing God's Light into the Sanctuary		Rylee Qualls & Anna Lane Dennis
Prelude		Organist
Welcome and Announcements		Rev. Joe Rutherford
*Call to Worship	*Surely the Presence*	Choir
*Hymn of Praise	*This Is My Father's World* (1 & 2)	144
*Responsive Reading	Confession and Pardon	12
*Gloria Patri		70
Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer		Rev. Joe Rutherford
Prayer Response	*On Eagle's Wings*	Choir
Offering Our Gifts to God		
Offertory		Choir
*Doxology	*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*	95
Children's Sermon	*Have You Ever Been Caught with Your Hand in the Cookie Jar?*	Pastor
*Hymn of Faith	*O How I Love Jesus* (1 & 3)	170
*Scripture Lessons	Psalm 51:1-12; II Samuel 11:26—12:13a	
Sermon	*Mind Your Own Business*	Rev. Joe Rutherford
*Holy Communion	The Great Thanksgiving	13
*Giving of the Bread & Cup		
*Hymn of Invitation	*Be Thou My Vision* (1 & 3)	451
*Benediction		

Charge Conference will once again be held in Mission Network Gatherings. The Hardin County Mission Network Charge Conference will be held on Saturday, October 16th at 10 AM in the FUMC Fellowship Hall.

Our agenda will include Fellowship. Each church is asked to bring a dessert or snack to share as we gather together for a time of community to strengthen our connection.

We will worship. We will provide music and Alan Black will lead us in a time of celebration. Each church is asked to send a brief email to the district office highlighting one or more ministries you want to celebrate at Charge Conference.

We will cover the business of Charge Conference, especially the Pastor's Compensation Form, Trustees' Report, Nomination of Lay Leadership, Candidates for Ministry and Certified Lay Servant Forms.

Joe

Sunday Morning Prayer Group

Betty Lynn Collier and Jane Riddle Moses are starting a Prayer Group on Sunday mornings at 10 AM in the Fellowship Hall beginning on August 1st. If you are not involved in a Sunday School class, they invite you to come and be a part of the Prayer Group.

From the Pastor

When we have integrity, all of our aspirations are focused in one direction. The karate expert can break a board with his bare hand by focusing all his strength on one spot. People, whose souls are not fragmented, can do great things by concentrating all of their energies and efforts on a single goal. This may not be easy, but it is simple. We figure out what is right and we do it. All other considerations come in second.

Partners in Christ,

Joe

The Lay Leadership Committee will meet on Wednesday, August 25th at 7 PM in the Fellowship Hall to elect lay officers for 2022. The Chairperson is Joe Rutherford. Members are: Cinda Walz, Karenina Kemp, Mary Ann Gilchrist, Dr. Brian Qualls, JoAnne Taylor, Alyssa Irons, Angie Irons, Marilyn Qualls and Jean Anne Vaughn.

Cynthia and I would like to thank everyone who helped make the 2021 VBS SUPER! From decorating teams, to teaching, snack prep, and registration, we have always been able to count on you for your support. A special thanks goes out to our youth who were a huge part in the VBS success. They really stepped up by decorating on Sunday and leading groups, as well as being our actors, playing the roles of Captain Wonderful and our villain, Mr. Meanie! I know the VBS was a blessing to all of the children as well as to all of us. Bob

AUGUST

Birthdays & Anniversaries

August 2—Chris & Ruthie Qualls' Anniversary

August 5—Alyssa Irons

August 9—Andrew & Cinda Walz's Anniversary

August 10—Creed & Janie McGinley's Anniversary

August 15—Mark Miller

August 18—Angie Irons

August 20—Helen Brumlow & Matt McGinley

August 23—Dave McClain

August 31—Anna Carroll & Nick Lewis

We will celebrate Holy Communion on Sunday, August 1st. We will continue using the prefilled cups until they are all used. You will pick up your juice/wafer in the narthex before entering the sanctuary. If you are worshipping with us from home, you may stop by the church to pick up your communion elements. Also, Rev. Rutherford will be happy to bring communion to you at your home (just call the church office to make your request).

Don't forget to bring your Communion Rail Offering! We have a monthly commitment of $300 to CAM and $200 to Jesus Cares.

We also want to remind you to bring your canned meat for CAM. We have a monthly goal of 250 cans. We exceeded our monthly goal for July. Please help us do the same for August!