

News & Events

Cottage Meetings. Sign-up sheets to attend cottage meetings are in the Narthex. The next meeting is Tuesday, September 27th, 6:00 p.m., at the home of Betty Bass.

Office Closed. The church staff will be attending a Leadership Conference at Church of the Resurrection in Kansas Wednesday, September 28th, through Friday, September 30th. The office will be closed and will reopen Monday, October 3rd, at 8:00 a.m. Pastor's Bible Study is cancelled for that week.

Beth & Scott Wyatt. Tickets for the fundraiser for Beth Wyatt are on sale this Sunday before and after each service. Tickets are \$15 per person. All proceeds go directly to Beth Wyatt & family to help provide financial support. This is being held Saturday, October 1st, from 5-8:00 p.m. at 705 Main St, Downtown Arkadelphia.

United Women in Faith. The next meeting of the UWInF is Tuesday, October 4th, at 10:00 a.m. in the Upper Room Classroom. Maria Maxey will have the program.

Fall Fest. The temperatures don't show it, but fall is here. Fall Fest this year is being held at the home of Jim and Debbie Blanton (5422 Highway 182 West, Okolona, 71962) on Sunday, October 9th, from 3-6:00 p.m. Bring a side or dessert (we will provide hamburgers and hot dogs as well as drinks) along with camp chairs, yard games, and fishing poles.

Weekly Participation Opportunities

Sunday Night Youth. Meets from 6-8:00 p.m. in the Sturgis Children & Youth Center. Contact Jewelie for more information.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study. Meets at 9:30 a.m. in the church library. Led by Claire Gehrki (knitarkadelphia@gmail.com).

Pastor's Bible Study. Wednesdays at noon (in person) and 6:30 p.m. (in person and Zoom) in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Rev. Zeke Allen for more information.

Student Choir Practice. Thursdays at 5:00 p.m. in the choir room. Led by Wesley Lamendola and Alex Tyler. All students welcome.

Chancel Choir Practice. Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. in the choir room. Contact Bill Higgins for more information.

Mission Opportunities

Food Pantry. The next Food Pantry Distribution Day is Tuesday, October 18th. Our food donation request for October is cereal or monetary donations for the November Thanksgiving food boxes.

Please Remember:

- A. You may put your offering in the plate, use Tithely by scanning the QR code under Ways to Give, go directly to Tithely at <https://tithe.ly/give?c=368022>, or drop it off at the church office during the week or by mail.
- B. You can live stream services on Facebook or YouTube at www.facebook.com/fumcark or www.youtube.com/user/fumcark. Watch previous services at www.fumcark.org/sermons.

Welcome Home, Beth! Welcome Home!

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Adopted by First United Methodist Church Council, October 10, 2017.

A TOUGH TEACHING

LUKE 16:19-31

First United Methodist
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Worship for the Lord's Day

September 25, 2022
16th Sunday after Pentecost

Traditional Worship Service
Arkadelphia, AR

Welcome Bill Higgins

Opening Voluntary Kay McAfee

Fix Me, Jesus
-by John Carter

*Call to Worship

Come and worship!

We will praise the One between, within, and over.

Trust in the One who co-creates the was, the now, and the will-be.

Our hope is in the One who creates expansive love calling us to do the same.

Follow the One who never breaks covenant.

We follow the One whose extravagant love calls us to co-create justice for the oppressed, feed the hungry, unlock prisons, and welcome strangers, orphans, and widows.

Praise the One whose justice is grace-full and inclusive.

We praise the Spirit that spans the ages. Amen!

Written by Tim Graves and posted on LiturgyBits. <https://liturgybits.wordpress.com>. Reposted: <https://re-worship.blogspot.com/search/label/Proper%2021%20C>.

*Hymn of Praise UMH No. 189

Fairest Lord Jesus

*Apostles' Creed UMH No. 881

*The Gloria Patri UMH No. 70
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. Amen.

Children's Moment Sabrina Mecum

Pastoral Prayer
The Lord's Prayer Congregation

Hymn of Praise TFWS 2036
Give Thanks

Offertory Prayer Rev. Zeke Allen

Offering
The Offertory Kay McAfee
Rock-a-My-Soul in the Bosom of Abraham
-by Ann Buys

*Doxology UMH No. 95
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.

*Reading God's Word Bill Higgins
Luke 16:19-31

Anthem Chancel Choir
I've Just Come from the Fountain
-arr. Anthony Giamanco

Sermon Rev. Zeke Allen
A Tough Teaching

*Hymn of Response UMH No. 377
It is Well with My Soul

*Benediction/Blessing Rev. Zeke Allen

Closing Voluntary Kay McAfee

When the Church of Jesus
-by Robert J. Powell

ANTHEM TEXT

I've Just Come from the Fountain
-arr. Anthony Giamanco

I've just come from the fountain, Lord, his name's so sweet.

O brother, do you love Jesus? Yes, yes, I do love Jesus.

Brother, do you love Jesus? His name's so sweet.

O sister, do you love Jesus? Yes, yes, I do love Jesus.

Sister, do you love Jesus? His name's so sweet.

Ways to give to First United Methodist Church



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