

IF YOU ARE NOT RECEIVING THE CHURCH TEXT BLASTS, with important updates and reminders, text the word *CHURCH* to 888 798-9043.

If you have reminders or notices that you would like to send out over text, contact Emily Billingsley at 731 446-7951.



**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PROVIDE** flowers for Sunday worship in honor or memory of someone, please contact Linda Simrell at 731-694-0676. Your tribute will be noted in the Sunday bulletin. You may call the florist of your choice, or, for a fee of \$50.00, the FMC Flower Committee will purchase the flowers and do the arrangement. The Flower Committee will also “break down” the arrangement and deliver vases of your flowers to our homebound members if you so desire.



### **FIRST METHODIST CHURCH ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE PROGRAM**

Our ESL classes follow our Union City School Calendar. Therefore, they will not meet on December 20<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup>. Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 10, 2023.

We offer morning classes from 9:00 to 11:00 A.M., and evening classes from 5:30 to 7:30 P.M. Would you please pray and consider being a volunteer in this ministry? If you feel that God is calling you to serve in this capacity, please contact either Rev. Dan Tilly ([dtilly@bellsouth.net](mailto:dtilly@bellsouth.net)) or Rev. Laura Ibarra-Hernandez ([lybarra.hd@gmail.com](mailto:lybarra.hd@gmail.com)). Opportunities that you can be involved in include: praying, greeting, providing snacks, teaching, sponsoring a book, writing birthday, get-well, or sympathy cards.

## **Check out our website!**

**Go on-line today at [www.fmcuc.org](http://www.fmcuc.org)**

You will find the latest info on who we are and what we do, as it is continually updated with new pictures and announcements. Also, our new colorful church logo is featured.



*Interested in singing? Our Sanctuary Choir practices each Wednesday evening at 6:50 P.M. Come and join us!!*

## **UNION CITY FIRST METHODIST CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS – December 18, 2022 - (731) 885-3573**

*We're thrilled you worshiped with us today!! Please complete our "Get Connected Card" and drop it in an offering plate.*



### **Christmas Eve Service**

*Our Christmas Eve Communion/Candlelight Service will be held at 5:30 P.M. in our Sanctuary on Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup>.*

### **PREFILLED COMMUNION CUPS WITH WAFFER**

**If you and your family are unable to attend our Christmas Eve Service, "To Go" Communion sets are available for you to pick up at the front and rear exits of the Sanctuary.**



**Our service is scheduled to be "live streamed" on our face book. You will be able to view the service live and participate with us during the Sacrament of Communion. We know you will want to share in this blessing.**



A Nursery is available for your use today, serving children ages 4 and younger. Please take your children to our well-trained, fully-staffed Nursery, located outside the Sanctuary, parallel to Main Street. If you need assistance in locating the Nursery, please speak with one of our Ushers who will be happy to help guide you there.

**Our nursery will not be available on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, or the New Year's Day services.**

## Christmas Day Services

Children are encouraged to wear their Christmas pajamas to the Christmas Day 10:50 A.M. Morning Worship Service. Celebrate the birth of Jesus in your jammies! Adult dress will be casual.

**Youth and Children Sunday School Classes will not meet. Each Adult Sunday School Class will decide whether or not to meet.**



## COMMUNION MISSION OFFERING

Each month on Communion Sunday, we will collect a mission offering in addition to our regular offering. Your Communion Mission Offering will be placed on the chancel rail when you come to the altar for communion. Our Communion Mission Offering for January 1, 2023, will be for Hailey's Hope Fund.

Hailey, daughter of Pamela Whitlow (First Friends Director), is in need of a handicapped wheelchair accessible van. An account for Hailey's Hope Fund has been set up at Commercial Bank. Checks can be made payable to Hailey's Hope Fund.

Amy Hauhe and Pamela Whitlow are taking pre-orders for cornbread dressing. Pick up will be Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 1:00 to 3:00 P.M. at the FMC Kitchen. They will prepare unbaked pans that feed approximately 12-14 servings. Cost will be \$25.00 per pan. All proceeds will benefit Hailey's Hope. You may contact Amy Hauhe or Pamela Whitlow to place your order. Amy's phone # (731) 446-9966/Pamela's phone # (731) 592-0347. Thank you for your help!!



**FMC BOOKCLUB** will be reading Somebody Like Santa, by Janet Dailey, as our annual Christmas book. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 12, 2023. A copy is available in the Church Office to share. The Obion County Public Library also has copies.

**YOUR CHILDREN'S MINISTRY TEAM IS ASKING FOR YOUR HELP!!** FMC is blessed with a growing Sunday School Program. Additional teachers and helpers are needed. Please contact Luann Barkley or call the Church Office if you are willing to help give our children a firm foundation.



## SETTLEMENT LOAN ANNOUNCEMENT

When making your donations to help retire the debt incurred by paying the Conference for the purchase of **our** property, please clearly mark your check or pew envelope with this information. You will receive proof of your donation on your statement of giving issued in January.

**THANK YOU AND WE ARE SO BLESSED!!!!!!!**

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT TOGETHER (WNT)** will start back on January 4, 2023 with a meal and family activity. The regular schedule with dinner and classes will resume on January 11<sup>th</sup>. If interested in teaching a class, please contact Laura Oliver.



## FROM OUR COUNCIL OF MINISTRIES

**There are FMC-UC members who are unable to be at church to share in fellowship and worship. We are needing volunteers to visit these members. If you are able to be a part of this meaningful service, please contact the church office.**



## Calling All Card'shocks'!

Hey sports fans of ALL AGES! Join Roger on Monday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, in the Fellowship Hall from 12:00 P.M.-4:00 P.M. for pizza, fellowship, and some baseball card trading fun! Bring \$10.00 for the cost of cards and lunch. You are welcome to bring some of your old cards you don't mind trading. Please call the church office if you would like to come!