

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.hdz@gmail.com](mailto:lybarra.hdz@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.

## **UNION CITY FIRST METHODIST CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS – December 25, 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.*



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



### **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.**

## 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.



**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. Our meal will be chicken tenders, baked potatoes, broccoli and cheese, coleslaw, salad bar, rolls, dessert, and beverages.

The regular schedule with dinner and classes will resume on January 11<sup>th</sup>. The 1/11 meal will be cheeseburgers, trimmings, baked beans, French fries, salad bar, dessert, and beverages.

If interested in teaching a class, please contact Laura Oliver.



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



## 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!



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR OUR ANNUAL WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE (WCS) CHILI LUNCHEON** which will be held in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, following 10:50 Morning Worship. Chili and all the trimmings, hot dogs, sandwiches, and homemade desserts will be served for your donation. Funds received will be given to our youth. Don't miss it!!!