

New Members United

Interested in membership?
Join our Pastors for lunch & conversation.
Sign up on your Connect Card.

Sunday, Aug 16, 11am-1pm

Adult Sunday School

New 6-Week Study!
Begins
Aug 30, 8:15am
in The Parlor

w/ Barb, Julie & Laura S.

THE HOLY SPIRIT
GOD'S PRESENCE AND POWER
AT WORK IN US

Traditional Worship
Saturdays 5:00pm

SUNDAY CIRCLE
11:00 AM

Music, Conversation, Prayer

WWW.FESTUSUMC.ORG

THE DOG DAYS OF SUMMER!
AUGUST 2026

ANIMAL STORIES IN SCRIPTURE

Twin City Days Festus/Crystal City

PANCAKE BREAKFAST! *Free!*

Sat, Sept 12
8am-10am

PRAISE SERVICE!
9:30 AM

www.FestusUMC.org

First UMC Podcast

Hosted by
Heather Helms

www.TheWell.BuzzSprout.com

TWIN CITY DAYS PANCAKE BREAKFAST - First UMC will serve a free pancake breakfast during Twin City Days on Saturday, September 12 from 8 to 10 am. The lead for this year's pancake breakfast is Joann Spiro. A volunteer sign up sheet is located in the narthex. Donations of juice boxes and sugar free syrup are needed. Please place them in the designated bin in the room outside the fellowship hall. If you have questions please call Joann at 314-954-1101.

REELFOOT **Mission Trip**
RURAL MINISTRIES **Oct 11-17, 2026**

We have an opportunity to help with the Obion Tennessee Disaster Relief and Poverty Repairs. Volunteers will stay at Reelfoot Rural Ministries which sleeps 20 people in lower bunk beds. There's a dining room, commercial kitchen, and 6 showers. Building supplies are provided. Reelfoot is a 3-hour drive from here and the cost is \$300. Mark your Connect Card or contact Pastor Todd or Florence Borman if you are interested in going!

KIDS AT FIRST UMC. **Let the little children come!** Fun and meaningful **Kids Ministry** is Provided for K-5th grade during our Sunday worship services. The children begin in the sanctuary for opening worship and then head to their classrooms. **Nursery & Pre-K Care** is also provided Sundays during worship in Room 211. **The Wiggle Room.** We have a comfortable wiggle room in the back of the sanctuary with rocking chairs, play space, and a clear view of worship. You are welcome to use this space with your active toddler or a bubbly newborn.

Ways to Give @ First UMC

Use the **Tithe.ly** App

IN WORSHIP - Place your giving and Connect Card in the wooden boxes at the sanctuary entrances.

AUTO DRAW - Set up an auto pay from your checking account or contact our office for help with electronic giving through Vanco.

www.FestusUMC.org/Give **MAIL TO** - 113 Grand Avenue, Festus, MO 63028

CONNECT CARD

Thank you for coming today!

August 15 and 16

Please tear off this tab and drop it in the offering box at the bottom of the entrance stairs.

- [] I'm New here!
- [] 5 pm Saturday
- [] 9:30 am Sunday
- [] 11 am Sunday

Name: _____

Address : _____

Phone _____

Email _____

[] **This is new contact information.**



CONNECT CARD

[] I'd like to receive a weekly email of First UMC prayer requests (Printed copies of the prayer requests are available in the Narthex.)

Prayer request/praise report

REELFOOT RURAL MINISTRIES

[] I want to attend this ministry on October 11-17, 2026.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST UMC!

Sat, Aug 15	Traditional Service, 5 pm
Sun, Aug 16	Sunday Social, 9:15 am
Sun, Aug 16	Praise Service, 9:30 am
Sun, Aug 16	Open Faith Group, 10:45 am
Sun, Aug 16	Sunday Circle, 11 am
Sun, Aug 16	New Members' Lunch, 11 am—1 pm
Mon, Aug 17	James II Project Community Lunch, 11:30—12:30
Mon, Aug 17	Narcotics Anonymous, 7 pm
Tues, Aug 18	Food Pantry, 8:30—11:30 am
Tues, Aug 18	Stephen Ministry, 2-4:30 pm, Library
Tues, Aug 18	Mercy Jefferson Hospice, 4:30—7:30, Sanctuary
Tues, Aug 18	Stephen Ministry, 6-8:30 pm, Library
Tues, Aug 18	Al-Anon, 6:30 pm
Tues, Aug 18	Alateen, 7 pm
Weds, Aug 19	Womens' Card Group, 11:30, Parlor
Thur, Aug 20	Stephen Ministry, 2-4:40 pm, Library
Thur, Aug 20	Stephen Ministry, 6-8:30 pm, Library
Thur, Aug 20	Praise Band, 6:30 pm
Fri, Aug 21	Womens' Card Group, 11:30 am, Parlor
Fri, Aug 21	Narcotics Anonymous, 7 pm
Sat, Aug 22	Traditional Service, 5 pm

SAVE THE DATE

Sun, Aug 30	Sunday School Resumes, 8:15 am
Weds, Sept 2	Bible Study Resumes, 10 am, Library
Sat, Sept 12	Twin City Days Pancake Breakfast, 8-10 am
Thurs, Sept 17	Red Cross Blood Drive, 1-5 pm, Fellowship Hall

First United Methodist Church of Festus/Crystal City

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Rev. Dr. Tish Green, Lead Pastor

Rev. Todd Pieper, Associate Pastor



Welcome!

August 15 and 16, 2026

DANIEL 6: 16-23 AND 25-26

¹⁶ So the king gave the order, and they brought Daniel and hurled him into the pit of lions. The king said to Daniel: "Your God—the one you serve so consistently—will rescue you."

¹⁷ A single stone was brought and placed over the entrance to the pit. The king sealed it with his own ring and with those of his princes so that Daniel's situation couldn't be changed. ¹⁸ The king then went home to his palace and fasted through the night. No pleasures were brought to him, and he couldn't sleep. ¹⁹ At dawn, at the first sign of light, the king rose and rushed to the lions' pit.

²⁰ As he approached it, he called out to Daniel, worried: "Daniel, servant of the living God! Was your God—the one you serve so consistently—able to rescue you from the lions?" ²¹ Then Daniel answered the king: "Long live the king! ²² My God sent his messenger, who shut the lions' mouths. They haven't touched me because I was judged innocent before my God. I haven't done anything wrong to you either, Your Majesty."

²³ The king was thrilled. He commanded that Daniel be brought up out of the pit, and Daniel was lifted out. Not a scratch was found on him, because he trusted in his God.

²⁵ Then King Darius wrote the following decree: To all the peoples, nations and languages inhabiting the entire earth: I wish you much peace. ²⁶ I now issue this command: In every region of my kingdom, all people must fear and revere Daniel's God because

He is the living God.

God stands firm forever.

His kingship is indestructible.

God's rule will last until the end of time.