

New Members United

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

Sunday, Aug 16, 11am-1pm

BACK TO SCHOOL

Backpack Blessing!

SUNDAY, AUG 9, 9:30AM

FAITH GROUP LEADERS MTG

WED, AUG 12, 6:30PM

Come to create or lead a Fall Group.

WWW.FESTUSUMC.ORG

THE DOG DAYS OF SUMMER!

AUGUST 2026

ANIMAL STORIES IN SCRIPTURE

Traditional Worship

Saturdays 5:00pm

PRAISE SERVICE!

9:30 AM

www.FestusUMC.org

SUNDAY CIRCLE

11:00 AM

Music, Conversation, Prayer

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

RURAL MINISTRIES

Mission Trip

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!

PRAYER SHAWL BLESSING - Prayer shawls will be blessed this weekend. Thanks to all who have made shawls, donated yarn or otherwise helped in some way to keep this ministry alive. We would like to raise \$500 to buy yarn and support this ministry, The lead for this ministry is Christy Beck. If you have questions, please call Christy at 636-465-0394. Thanks so much!

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 8 and 9

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 8	Stephen Ministry Meeting, 9-3, Parlor
Sat, Aug 8	Traditional Service, 5 pm
Sun, Aug 9	Sunday Social, 9:15 am
Sun, Aug 9	Praise Service, 9:30 am
Sun, Aug 9	Open Faith Group, 10:45 am
Sun, Aug 9	Sunday Circle, 11 am
Mon, Aug 10	Prayer Shawl Group, 10 am, Room 200
Mon, Aug 10	James II Project Community Lunch, 11:30—12:30
Mon, Aug 10	Narcotics Anonymous, 7 pm
Tues, Aug 11	Food Pantry, 8:30—11:30 am
Tues, Aug 11	Stephen Ministry, 2-4:30 pm, Library
Tues, Aug 11	Stephen Ministry, 6-8:30 pm, Library
Tues, Aug 11	Al-Anon, 6:30 pm
Tues, Aug 11	Alateen, 7 pm
Weds, Aug 12	Faith Group Leader Meeting, 6:30 pm, Parlor
Thur, Aug 13	Stephen Ministry, 2-4:40 pm, Library
Thur, Aug 13	Stephen Ministry, 6-8:30 pm, Library
Thur, Aug 13	Praise Band, 6:30 pm
Fri, Aug 14	Womens' Card Group, 11:30 am, Parlor
Fri, Aug 14	Narcotics Anonymous, 7 pm
Sat, Aug 15	Traditional Service, 5 pm

SAVE THE DATE

Sun, Aug 16	New Members' Lunch, 11 am—1 pm
Tues, Aug 18	Mercy Jefferson Hospice, 4:30-7:30 pm
	Sanctuary (all are welcome, RSVP with Deb in the office)
Sun, Aug 30	Sunday School Resumes, 8:15 am
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 8 and 9, 2026

Selections from
Jonah 1

The Lord's word came to Jonah...: ² "Get up and go to Nineveh, that great city, and cry out against it, for their evil has come to my attention." ³ So Jonah got up—to flee to Tarshish from the Lord! He went down to Joppa and found a ship headed for Tarshish. He paid the fare and went aboard to go with them to Tarshish, away from the Lord. ⁴ But the Lord hurled a great wind upon the sea, so that there was a great storm on the sea; the ship looked like it might be broken to pieces...

⁷ Meanwhile, the sailors said to each other, "Come on, let's cast lots so that we might learn who is to blame for this evil that's happening to us." They cast lots, and the lot fell on Jonah... ¹⁰ Then the men were terrified and said to him... "What will we do about you so that the sea will become calm around us?"... ¹² He said to them, "Pick me up and hurl me into the sea! Then the sea will become calm around you. I know it's my fault that this great storm has come up-on you."...

¹⁴ So they called on the Lord, saying, "Please, Lord, don't let us perish on account of this man's life, and don't blame us for innocent blood! You are the Lord: whatever you want, you can do." ¹⁵ Then they picked up Jonah and hurled him into the sea, and the sea ceased its raging... ¹⁷ Meanwhile, the Lord provided a great fish to swallow Jonah. Jonah was in the belly of the fish for three days and three nights.