

BEYOND
THE
DIVIDE

Sundays
9am in the
Parlor
1/14 - 2/11

Bridging Faith & Science

Jan/Feb '24



making a difference

Coming Soon

Women's Group

Tuesday Evenings
6:30 PM

Little Known Women of
the Bible and What We
can Learn From Them
Starts January 30th



New
Members United

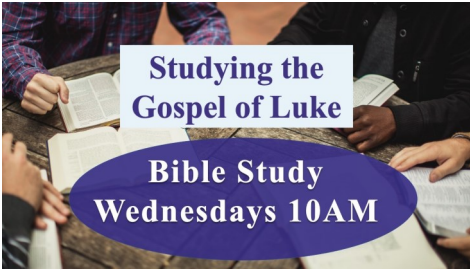
Spring
2023

Interested in membership at First UMC?
Join our Pastors for lunch and conversation.
Sign up on your Communication Card.

Sunday, Feb 11, 11am - 2:30pm

Studying the
Gospel of Luke

Bible Study
Wednesdays 10AM





WALK TO
EMMAUS

Men's Walk
March 14-17

Women's Walk
April 4-7

Mark your Communication Card!

KIDS CONNECT PLANNING MEETING

If you've ever enthusiastically shouted "Holy Moly!" I ask you to consider leading or helping in one Holy Moly class during our six week Lenten Series "Connect with the Goodness of God." Find out more at our planning meeting Tues, Feb 6, 6:30pm. Mark your interest on your bulletin's Connect Card. Thank you! Pastor Tish

TORNADO RECOVERY MISSION

Another mission to assist with tornado recovery in Mayfield, Kentucky, has been scheduled for April 7—13, 2024. If you are interested in participating in this worthwhile mission project, please contact Florence Borman at 314.960.7388 for details.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat, Jan 20	Traditional Service, 5 pm
Sun, Jan 21	Adult Sunday School, Beyond the Divide, 9-9:45, Parlor
Sun, Jan 21	Modern Service, 10 am
Sun, Jan 21	Pastors' Meet and Greet, 11 am, Parlor
Mon, Jan 22	Narcotics Anonymous, 7 pm
Tues, Jan 23	Food Pantry, 8:30—11:30 am
Tues, Jan 23	Alateen, 7 pm, Room 109
Tues, Jan 23	Al-Anon, 6:30 pm, Parlor
Wed, Jan 24	Chancel Choir, 5:15 pm
Thu, Jan 25	Youth, 6:30 pm (changes to Wednesdays in February)
Thu, Jan 25	Praise Choir, 6:30 pm
Thu, Jan 25	Band, 7 pm
Fri, Jan 26	Womens' Card Group, 11:30 am, Parlor
Fri, Jan 26	Emmaus Gathering, 6:30 pm, Parlor
Fri, Jan 26	Narcotics Anonymous, 7 pm
Sat, Jan 27	Traditional Service, 5 pm
Sun, Jan 28	Adult Sunday School, 9-9:45 am, Parlor
Sun, Jan 28	Modern Service, 10 am

SAVE THE DATES

January 26, Emmaus Gathering, 6:30 (open to all)
January 30, Womens' Group Classes Begin, 6:30 pm, Library
February 6, Kids' Connect Planning Meeting, 6:30 pm
February 11, New Member Luncheon, 11—2:30 pm, Parlor
February 14, Ash Wednesday Prayer and Ashes,
Sanctuary Open 11 am to 1 pm
February 25, Community Lenten Service At First UMC, 3:30 pm
March 14-17, Mens' Emmaus Retreat, Pinecrest Camp, Fredericktown
March 31, Easter Celebration at the Festus Performing Arts Center, 10 am
April 4-7, Womens' Emmaus Retreat, Pinecrest Camp, Fredericktown

COMMUNICATION CARD

Prayer Request/Praise Report:

I'd like more information about:

- ☐ Small Groups
☐ Youth/Children
☐ Music/Tech Ministry
☐ Food Pantry
☐ UWF
☐ Other _____

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

☐ I will attend the the Kids' Connect Planning Meeting on Tuesday, February 6 at 6:30 pm.

☐ I will attend the New Member luncheon on February 11 from 11 to 2:30 in the Parlor.

☐ I am interested in attending the Mens' Emmaus Retreat, March 14-17.

☐ I am interested in attending the Womens' Emmaus Retreat, April 4-7

COMMUNICATION CARD

Thank you for coming today!

January 20 and 21

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

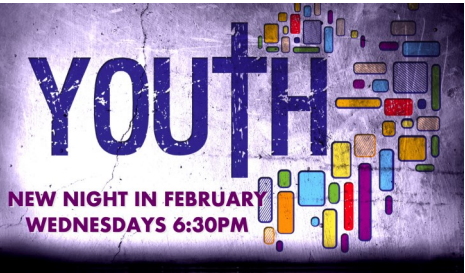
- [] 5 pm Saturday
- [] 10 am Sunday

Name: _____
Address : _____
Phone _____
Email _____

[] This is new contact information.

New here? Welcome! How did you hear about First UMC?

Let the little children come! Fun and meaningful Kids Ministry is provided for grades K - 5th during 10:00 am Modern Worship. The children begin in the sanctuary for opening worship and then head to their classrooms. Parents can pick up their children from their class after worship. Nursery & Pre-K Care is also provided Sundays during worship, with Ms. Emily, 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 utilize this space for an active toddler or a bubbly newborn.



Altar Flowers may be purchased for sanctuary display to signify special occasions (birthday, anniversary, in honor or memory of someone). 1) Call The Flower Patch 636-937-9495 to place your order for delivery to the church. 2) Call the church office 636-937-6205 for inclusion in the bulletin by Tuesday Noon. You may take the flowers home with you after Sunday worship. Thank you!

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January 20, 2024

Matthew 25: 31-46 (The Message Paraphrase)

³¹⁻³³ "When he finally arrives, blazing in beauty and all his angels with him, the Son of Man will take his place on his glorious throne. Then all the nations will be arranged before him and he will sort the people out, much as a shepherd sorts out sheep and goats, putting sheep to his right and goats to his left.

³⁴⁻³⁶ "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Enter, you who are blessed by my Father! Take what's coming to you in this kingdom. It's been ready for you since the world's foundation. And here's why:

I was hungry and you fed me,
I was thirsty and you gave me a drink,
I was homeless and you gave me a room,
I was shivering and you gave me clothes,
I was sick and you stopped to visit,
I was in prison and you came to me.'

³⁷⁻⁴⁰ "Then those 'sheep' are going to say, 'Master, what are you talking about? When did we ever see you hungry and feed you, thirsty and give you a drink? And when did we ever see you sick or in prison and come to you?' Then the King will say, 'I'm telling the solemn truth: Whenever you did one of these things to someone overlooked or ignored, that was me—you did it to me.'

⁴¹⁻⁴³ "Then he will turn to the 'goats,' the ones on his left, and say, 'Get out, worthless goats! You're good for nothing but the fires of hell. And why? Be-cause—

I was hungry and you gave me no meal,
I was thirsty and you gave me no drink,
I was homeless and you gave me no bed,
I was shivering and you gave me no clothes,
Sick and in prison, and you never visited.'

⁴⁴ "Then those 'goats' are going to say, 'Master, what are you talking about? When did we ever see you hungry or thirsty or homeless or shivering or sick or in prison and didn't help?' ⁴⁵ "He will answer them, 'I'm telling the solemn truth: Whenever you failed to do one of these things to someone who was being overlooked or ignored, that was me—you failed to do it to me.' ⁴⁶ "Then those 'goats' will be herded to their eternal doom, but the 'sheep' to their eternal reward."