

Sunday November 24, 2024

SERVICE TIMES

Contemporary Service at 9:00am

Sunday School at 10:15 &

Traditional Service at 11:00am

**Worship with us on Facebook or YouTube*

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<https://www.youtube.com/@firstunitedmethodistchurch9542>

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**Sunday School Classes meet every Sunday morning
beginning at 10:15 unless otherwise announced.**

THE KETCHERSID CLASS

Room 110 Ages 9 to 90+

THE PHILADELPHIA CLASS

Room 111 Ages 19 to 90+

THE UPPER ROOM CLASS

Room 211 All ages

YOUTH /COLLEGE CLASS

Room 208-210

INFANTS TO AGE 4

Nursery

GRADES K-6

GENERALLY, THESE ARE UPSTAIRS, speak
to Julie Burton or inquire in the
fellowship hall in between services at 10am

First Church of Dayton
"Advancing Christ's Kingdom
locally and globally"
Sunday, November 24, 2024



9:00 AM Worship Service

Christ The King/Reign of Christ Sunday

***The Nursery is open at 8:45 for children up to Pre-k age.*

Welcome

Praise & Worship

Prayers & Offering

Announcement

Blessing of the Children Children’s Church K-4th grade only

Scripture Deuteronomy 5: 3-22 and 6:1-9

Sermon “God’s Plan is So Simple”

Pastor Layne Pennington

Praise & Prayer

Closing Worship

We are so glad you are here this morning!!

Join us in the fellowship hall beginning at 10:00 for Coffee and Danish

All are invited to attend

11:00 AM Worship Service

Christ The King/Reign of Christ Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Faith Young

Invocation Jerry Cardin

Hymns Two Hymns from the Tabernacle Hymnal: There Shall be Showers of Blessing- # 219 Vers 1,2 & 4 and

Count Your Blessings-#50 Vers 1,2 & 4

****Statement of Faith** UMH 888

****Glory Be to the Father** UMH 70

Offertory Prayer Jerry Cardin

Offertory Faith Young

****Doxology** UMH 95

Children’s Message

Pastoral Prayer

Special Music Linda Abel

Scripture Deuteronomy 5: 3-22 and 6:1-9

Sermon “God’s Plan is So Simple”

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Hymn We gather together– UMH #131

**** Benediction & Response** God be with you till we meet again–

UMH 672

Postlude Faith Young

BIBLE WORD SEARCH!

Teach the Children (Deut. 6:4-9)

R	C	E	F	T	A	L	K	F	G	M
W	C	L	R	N	W	A	L	K	A	I
H	L	D	O	O	R	P	O	S	T	S
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N	P	L	T	F	H	E	A	R	S	A
C	H	I	L	D	R	E	N	E	I	E
O	E	G	E	R	P	N	D	N	G	L
M	A	E	T	O	D	A	Y	G	N	O
M	R	N	S	O	U	L	R	T	C	V
A	T	T	E	A	C	H	I	H	Y	E
N	Y	L	O	R	D	E	S	L	F	F
D	F	Y	H	O	U	S	E	Y	E	S

BIND	CHILDREN	COMMAND
DILIGENTLY	DOORPOSTS	EYES
FRONTLETS	GATES	HAND
HEAR	HEART	HOUSE
ISRAEL	LORD	LOVE
RISE	SIGN	SOUL
STRENGTH	TALK	TEACH
TODAY	WALK	WHEN

The 10 Commandments

How well do you know your commandments? Fill in the banks to complete each commandment.

1. Thou shalt have no no other _____ before me.
2. Thou shalt not make unto thee any _____ image.
3. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in _____
4. Remember the _____ day to keep it holy.
5. Honor your _____ and your _____.
6. Thou shalt not _____.
7. Thou shalt not commit _____.
8. Thou shalt not _____.
9. Thou shalt not bear false _____ against thy _____
10. Thou shalt not _____ thy neighbour's house. thou shalt not covet they neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbor's.

mother	gods	covet	adultery
kill	witness	graven	neighbor
vain	steal	Sabbath	

Special Announcements

- **Cause of Great Joy:**
Josiah & Karen Blakney are in the process of adopting a baby. November is National Adoption Month! If you would like to financially assist the Blakneys on their journey, you can drop a donation in the offering plate with a memo notating "Blakney's Baby" we will get the funds to Josiah and Karen. Thank you all.
 - Church and office will be closed Nov 27-29th.
- On December 8th– Jerry Harwood is in need of a speaker for the Methodist church in Daisy and perhaps another in Sale Creek. If you are interested, please speak to Pastor Layne.
- **AT THE FRONT & BACK OF THE SANCTUARY THERE ARE A COUPLE OF COPIES OF OUR MEMBERSHIP LIST. PLEASE CHECK THE LIST TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU ARE A MEMBER. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS– PLEASE SEE PASTOR LAYNE AFTER SERVICES.**
- **FOOD PANTRY November is LET US BE THANKFUL– boxed stuffing, canned vegetables, canned fruit/pumpkin, gravy, boxed potato, cake mix & frosting.** Food Pantry Sunday is the 4th Sunday, but food is accepted at ANYTIME during the month– Just place it at the altar rail
 - **MMW Mission Minded Women Meeting Dates: Dec 12th at 5:30pm**
- **POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE :A NEW BIBLE STUDY: Sunday, October 20th beginning at 6:00pm.** The main book is "The History of Christian Thought" by Jonathan Hill Pastor Layne has copies available, of the main book being used.
- **Special Note: For Christmas at the Courthouse– Main Street Dayton decided that there will be no parade this year. All other activities will go on despite this change.**

PRAYER LIST

Jerry Cardin's brother Gene, has had a stroke.
Please keep the Cardin family in your prayers.

Prayers for Pastor Layne and his recovery

Thank you church family for prayers for Sean Neild of Naugatuck CT, friend of Bill and Connie Bastenbeck. While he still has his cancer, he is out of the hospital and home resting. He expressed thanks to you all has placed his future in the hands of his savior Jesus Christ.

Wilma Wooten & Paul Wilhelm (Rick & Lynn Price's son in law) for health and healing. Pray for Gene Maye of Bakewell. He is in Critical care at Chattanooga Heart Institute Memorial hospital in Hixon.

Be in prayer for Leighton Boyington who is the 8 month old great niece of Jack and Ursula Brown. She is critically ill and needs prayers.

Be in prayer for Lynn Price for health & healing during her continued treatment and also pray for both Lynn & Rick as they travel back and forth to Birmingham for her appointments.

Keep in your prayers

Arnold Fitzgerald, Sara Jane Locke & Donna Taylor
for health and healing. Pray for Curt Stinnett,
Pray for Helen Kallen for strength & healing
(Lynn Price's mother in law).

Pray for Pat Holsberry for healing, Nancy & Carl Shores for recovery & healing. Prayers for Adair McElynn and her daughter Sharon Reynolds. Prayers for Tasha Reed & her family.

Pray for Rebecca Hollingsworth (Becky is at
The Lantern on Shallowford Rd, if anyone wants to visit),
Prayers for Jean Hamilton for Health and Healing, Winifred Thomas,
Betty Fortner, Darlene & Carolyn Davisson.

If you would like to add a prayer request— please fill out a needs form—found at each pew or you can email fumcdayton@gmail.com

WEEKLY/MONTHLY MINISTRIES OF THE CHURCH

- **Monday Night** English as a Second Language Classes from 6:00-7:00 Call Kristin Urani for more info
- **Monday Night** Women's Bible Study 7pm. Childcare provided. "Luke in the Land" begins Sept 23. See Donna Stevener or Robin Barrett for info.
- Faith Ministries is cooking on **Tuesday mornings** 8am– noon
- **Tuesday Night** DIVORCE CARE 6:30pm -8:00 Ends Dec. 3rd. Free child care. Call Leigha 423-802-8445 or Register at this link: <https://www.divorcecare.org/groups/244456>
- TOPS— **Tuesday Nights** from 5-6, Meet in the Library
- Zoom Bible Study —**Wednesdays**, at 11:00am., for more info message Cyndie (240-0187) or Pastor Layne **Followed by Lunch @ 12:30**
- **1st Wednesday** from Noon to 1 Rhea Health Council in Fellowship Hall
- **FIRST KIDS CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Wednesday Night Live— begins @6:00pm for dinner, Class is at 6:30pm—7:45 pm. Ages Kindergarten and up**
- **Wednesday Night Bible Study TIME CHANGE TO 6:45PM** —See Pastor Layne for info We are covering [Matthew Chapter 14](#) currently
- The Expressive Worship Group— If you are interested in joining us, please Contact Michelle Beaton at 423-650-7004
- Tri County Quilters meets the **2nd and 4th Thursday** 10-2. & 5th Thurs The Quilt of Valor group meets on the **1st Saturday** 9am-2pm
- **THURSDAY Night** Brownies Meeting from 5:00-6:00pm 5:30 to 6:30pm is Girl Scouts
- Dayton Art League— **2nd Thursday@6:30pm**—Phyllis Bekemeier 423-315-1132
- Church Veterans Breakfast— **8:30am Fridays BRYAN COLLEGE CAFETERIA**
- Rotary Meeting: Lunch & Meeting- Every **Friday** 11:30– 12:30
- The Jail ministry: **Monday evening** for men, **Wednesday afternoon/ Thursday nights** for women. For info: Heather Sneed
- Feed America— Every **Wednesday & Friday** from 10:00 to 11:30
- Senior Ministries— **2nd Sunday** : Covered Dish Luncheon after 2nd Service. Bring a side dish or dessert to share—Meat & drinks are provided. **4th THURSDAY-** is our Dinner Trip—We usually meet in the church parking lot to carpool or take the bus. The location is usually announced the week prior. We ask for everyone to RSVP to Katie Shaver 816-830-7074
- **MEN'S BREAKFAST— 1st Saturday of the month at 8:00 am** in the fellowship hall. All are invited to attend— bring a friend! Come and join us. Contact Pastor Layne to be included in a group text



Sign up Now for our

Christmas Basket program

Adopt a family for Christmas

See Katie Shaver or Shannon Swafford

We have families of all sizes

That could use your blessing

this Christmas

Happy Birthday



BROWN, Bridget	11/25
COMMINS, William	11/27
VAN METER, Jennifer	11/27
SHORES, Carl	11/28
URANI, Kristin	11/30
NEVANS, Callie	12/01
PRUDHOMME, Kimberly	12/02
ROBINSON, Jean	12/04
BENOIT, Addy	12/05
WALKER, Barry L	12/05
BEATON, Bryce	12/06
STUMBO, Sam	12/06
ABEL, Lori	12/10
SNEED, Isabelle	12/11
STEPHENS, Judy	12/11
VANDERWALL, Alex	12/19
YOUNG, Faith M.	12/19
SHIPLEY, Renee	12/23
BEATON, Ashley	12/24



HAMILTON, Jonathan & Amber	12/01
BARGER, Steve & Cathy	12/22

OUR JOURNEY FORWARD TOGETHER

On May 3, 2024 General Conference of the United Methodist Church voted to make changes to the Book of Discipline, dropping the ban on same-sex marriage and the ordination of clergy in same-sex marriages.

On May 13, 2024 our church council met during which a motion was made to begin the disaffiliation process. A vote was taken in which of the 88 members in attendance, there were only 3 votes opposing a disassociation.

We published on our Facebook Page and the Website, the following message: In light of the recent changes made to the Book of Discipline, we would like to be public, that it is the intent of our congregation/church/preschool to disassociate from the United Methodist Church. During this time of discernment and change please come visit, worship, and hear the message of Christ and how much He loves you. Thankful to be a part of a church that loves everyone, welcome everyone, takes the church outside of its four walls to take the Great Commission as a command, is more focused on serving others than serving ourselves, and most importantly still stands on the infallible and inerrant word of God— holding it as our final authority for almost 200 year. “The grass withers and the flowers fade, but the word of God stands forever.” Isa.40:8

On May 14, 2024 our church submitted our letter to our District Superintendent submitting our intention to disassociate from the United Methodist Church.

In August, we received the publication of instructions on disassociation (now being referred to Limited Church Closure Process) and began on the work to provide all the Registry Packet contents.

On September 17, the packet was completed and ready for submission. Pastor Layne hand delivered the registry packet to our District Superintendent as instructed.

On October 29th, the Judicial Council of the Conference made it unambiguously clear that this disaffiliation process is unconstitutional and that any efforts to permit a local church to undertake an alternate means of disaffiliation is null and void

On November 6 2024 our Executive Church Council members met to explore pathways to continue our separation from the United Methodist Church. There are many unanswered questions, yet we are determined to honor the wishes of our congregation. We want to keep you informed. We will continue to communicate regularly as we determine our findings and try to navigate during this process. We do not have answers today, but we are diligently working towards a solution.

Please keep our church in your prayers regularly and pray for the Executive Council during this time of discernment.

The Sheriff's Department gathers applications for Christmas Assistance. The applications are screened and the families are placed on the list for help. Every year we help by receiving about 30+ of those applications from families that need assistance with Christmas.

We are provided with a list of wishes for each family.

This is our CHRISTMAS BASKET MINISTRY!

IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO SPONSOR A FAMILY, MAKE A DONATION FOR A FOOD BASKET, OR ASSIST WITH OUR PROGRAM, PLEASE SEE KATIE TROTTER, SHANNON SWAFFORD OR DROP A NOTE AT THE OFFICE.

**A committee is needed to help with
HANGING OF THE GREENS & THE CHRISMON TREE**

Assistance will be needed for the Dec. 1st Advent/Crismon Services.

If you would please consider helping, to keep this beautiful service, a continuing part of our Christmas tradition. Please speak to Jenny or Pastor Layne,

The Tree will be placed on Monday November 25th at 6:00 if you are interested in helping, that would be a blessing.

Hanging of the Greens— First Sunday of Advent is **Dec. 1st.**
The Advent/Crismon Service.

We will be beginning the Christmas Card Exchange soon. Get your Christmas cards filled out & ready for your fellow parishioners. We will have 2 wrapped boxes: one in the front of the sanctuary and one at the back for you to deposit your Christmas cards.

Volunteers separate the cards & place them in labeled bags for each family. Family bags can be picked up beginning Dec 19th.

This is a fundraiser for the youth,

so that they can raise money for Resurrection in January— any donations would be appreciated— you can include them in your card packets when you drop them in the box— or place it in the donation plate on Sunday.

If you have any questions or want to volunteer your time to help— you can call Linda Blevins at 423-240-3925

CHRISTMAS AT THE COURTHOUSE

- BE A PART OF THE LIVE NATIVITY
- ASSIST WITH THE YOUTH HOT CHOCOLATE BOOTH
December 7th from 12-4pm
please contact Joey Hanagan

DECEMBER 8th at 10:30am

Combined Christmas Celebration Service followed by a fellowship meal— bring a side or dessert. There will be also be a Community Christmas Service that evening, time to be announced.

The CHRISTMAS BASKET program/distribution date will be

Saturday, December 14th.

We will need all hands on deck to help with a large amount of duties— snacks, hauling presents, packing cars, putting together food baskets, clean up and breakdown tables

Little Learners Christmas Program will be Tuesday, **December 17th** at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary.

Senior Ministries and the Ketchersid Class Sunday School Christmas Dinner is **December 17th**— More info to follow

Come remember and celebrate the birth of Jesus during a candlelight service on Christmas Eve

Christmas Eve service at 5pm followed by a come and go communion with Pastor Layne officiating from 6pm to 8pm

If you have a loved one who has passed during 2024 please email the church office at fumcdayton@gmail.com So that we can have a candle placed in their memory in the sanctuary.