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All Saints' Sunday

Sunday, November 5, is **All Saints Sunday**. There will only be one worship service this date and it will begin at 11:00. We will be remembering the following church members who have passed away during the past year:

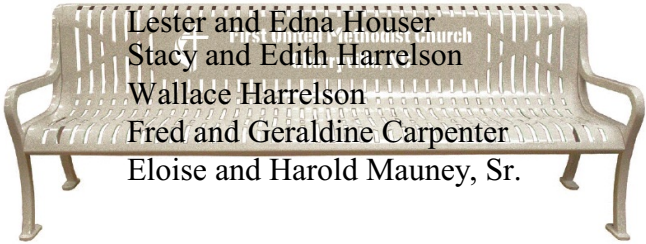
<i>Lola Beam</i>	<i>J. D. Gaston</i>
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<i>Betty Barrett</i>	<i>Ronnie Anthony</i>



TRUNK OR TREAT

Our annual Trunk or Treat will take place on Sunday, October 29th from 5 pm to 7 pm. Please make plans to decorate your car and join in on the fun. Let's give the children of our church and community the opportunity to hear about God's love through games, prizes, and Christian fellowship and of course collect candy in a safe environment. Hot dogs and treats will be served to entire family.

The two beautiful new benches beside our front doors have been given to us by Marianna Houser Mauney of Gainesville, Georgia, to honor her family members of our church:




Lester and Edna Houser
 Stacy and Edith Harrelson
 Wallace Harrelson
 Fred and Geraldine Carpenter
 Eloise and Harold Mauney, Sr.

Stewardship is...



...EVERYTHING we think, say, and do after we say "I believe"

Stewardship Sunday will be November 19. The finance committee will be mailing out a stewardship letter with pledge cards by mid November to each church family.



Community Thanksgiving Service will be held on Sunday, November 19 at 6:00 pm. Shady Grove Baptist Church will be the host church for this community service this year. You are invited to bring canned goods or non perishable food items to donate that evening.



The end of October brings with it some fun times. The children get to dress like their favorite characters and the adults get to join in too.

It is a brief moment that we get to pretend that we are someone else or something different. During the month of October, the children have been learning that when Jesus comes into our hearts and lives we become something else. He makes us into a NEW CREATION. Just like making a pumpkin into a jack-o-lantern, Jesus cleans out all the mess inside of us and puts his light in us to shine for all the world to see. He takes something ordinary and sometimes ugly and turns it into something beautiful.



We are going to have some fun in November too. On November 5, the children will be praising the Lord as they sing for the morning worship service. Also in November, we will be packing shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child and presenting them to the church for a dedication prayer.

YOUTH NEWS AND EVENTS

During the month of October, the youth have been learning how to effectively share their faith and make disciples in their Wednesday night Bible study. While on a youth outing to the Haunted Pyramids, the youth used and passed out tracks to open a door to share the Gospel. We all should be sharing the Good News everyday.

In our Sunday evening youth meetings, we have been discussing the boy/girl relationship and God's plan for Godly dating and marriage, and what qualities they should look for when choosing someone to date and eventually marry. We have looked at couples from the Bible like: Adam and Eve, Abraham and Sarah, Jacob and Rachel (and Leah), and Sampson and Delilah.

****DEADLINE APPROACHING****

All youth planning to attend the Winter Conference must pay their \$100 deposit by Sunday, November 5. If Jeanna does not have your deposit, she cannot pay your registration fee and you risk NOT having a spot at the conference.

IMPORTANT MISSION TRIP INFORMATIONAL MEETING

There will be a meeting on **Sunday, November 5**, at 6 o'clock in the fellowship hall to discuss our summer mission trip for the youth. We are doing something different this year. All parents and youth are encouraged to attend.

FIRST LIGHT DINNER

The youth will be hosting the First Light Dinner again this year the evening of **Sunday, November 26**, at 6:00 (youth meet at 5:30). The our wonderful Methodist women will prepare a delicious meal and the youth will wait tables and provide fun entertainment for the diners to enjoy. The cost of this evening of fun and food is \$A DONATION to be collected at the door. All funds raised will be used to help a needy family at Christmas. Make plans to attend by signing up on the table in the hall or call the church office.



Anyone interested in volunteering at the Boone processing center should talk to Jeanna. We are going on Saturday, December 16. We will leave the church at 1:30 pm and return around midnight. We will eat at Cracker Barrel in Boone before starting our shift that is from 5-10 pm. This is the last shift in the nation and we will probably be packing the last box to be sent overseas. We will get to join in and pray for these boxes as they head out to their recipients. You must be at least 13 years old to participate.



November Birthdays

- 2 Mikki Jane Emerson
- 2 Allen Fraley
- 3 Sue Nolen
- 3 Elli Warlick
- 4 Ella Shuford
- 4 Henry Shuford
- 5 Dustin Beam
- 5 Ken Bowen
- 5 Daniel Owens
- 6 Kelsie Costner
- 6 Emma Pruitt
- 8 Wil Collins
- 8 Kim Mauney
- 8 Leslie Thornburg
- 9 Helen Dellinger
- 10 Joyce Baxter
- 11 Pam Anthony
- 12 Pat McGinnis
- 13 Ethan Beck
- 14 Debbie Sorenson
- 15 Judy Bingham
- 15 Becky Phillips
- 16 Richard Mauney, Jr.
- 18 Jamey Wyatt
- 20 Alan Dellinger
- 21 Dick Metzger
- 21 Crystal Thornburg
- 23 Connor Bradley
- 23 Guy Eaker
- 23 Lori Gibson
- 24 Preston Elliott
- 25 Kirsten Leffingwell
- 26 Natalie Beam
- 26 Justin Thornburg
- 27 Emily Blackburn
- 27 Frank Harmon
- 27 Jason Huss
- 28 Anna Dellinger
- 29 Karen Freeman
- 29 Sherie Harrelson



STEWARDSHIP REPORT - OCT. 22, 2017

Total To Date	\$266,105.95
Needs To Date.....	\$296,150.89
Under.....	\$30,044.94

ATTENDANCE – OCT. 22, 2017

Sunday School.....	95
Early Worship	45
Worship.....	<u>92</u>
Total.....	137



The Rick Webb Family will be in concert on Friday, December 1, 2017 at 7:00pm at First United Methodist Church. Tickets are \$10.00 and can be purchased at the door. Following the concert, the United Methodist Women will be serving light refreshments.

If your birthday is in November and not listed, please contact the church office.



IN HONOR

We gratefully acknowledge gifts presented to the church in honor of:

We gratefully acknowledge gifts presented to the church in loving memory of:

JULIA ETTA ALLRAN

Gail Jenkins & Family (Backpack Ministry)
C.V. & Jerry Thornburg (Backpack Ministry)

RONNIE ANTHONY

Janice Metcalf Hammond
Doug & Lou Ann McNeilly

LOIS BRADLEY

Dennis, Phillip, Lainey, Will & Julia

CHARLES F. CREWS III

Sandra Carpenter (Backpack Ministry)
Sylvia Norton (Backpack Ministry)

HELEN EATON

Jim Eaton

MARILYN GEORGE

Gail Jenkins (Backpack Ministry)

STANLEY SCOTT

Sandra Carpenter (Backpack Ministry)
Sylvia Norton (Backpack Ministry)

LARRY SETZER

Bob & Caryl Austell
E.L, Gail & Ephriam Beam (Backpack Ministry)

JEROME SPANGLER

C.V. & Jerry Thornburg (Backpack Ministry)

DOT WALKER

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REV. JOE COLLINS

Linda Barger

CURTIS & SHERIE HARRELSON

(1ST Anniversary)

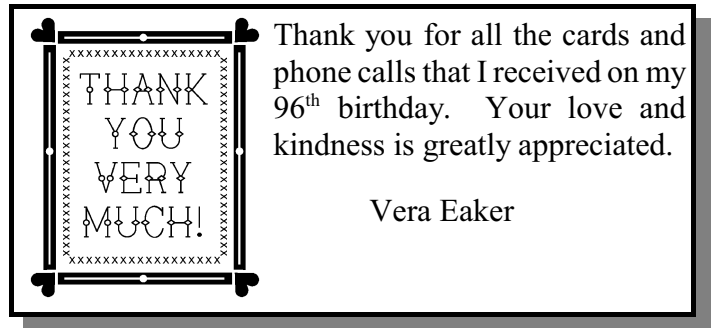
Clarice Harrelson

ERIC PACKARD

Sylvia Norton (Backpack Ministry)

EMMA PAGE

Linda Barger



PRAYER LIST (Members)

Bob Austell, Bo Baity, Scott Beam, Cone Carpenter, Joanne Carpenter, Anne Dellinger, Cheryl Dobson, Buzz Eaker, Nell Griggs, Nora Heavner, Aura Ann McGinnis, Barbara McGinnis, Sue Nolen, Debbie Payseur, Karleen Price, Frances Putnam, Margaret Smith, C.V. Thornburg, Earlene Williams, and all our homebound and nursing home members.

PRAYER LIST (Family & Friends)

Bill Allen, Kristen, Seth & Micah Austin, Shaunda Camp, Ralph Holy, Morgan Drum Morrow, Mary Wheatley, Linda Whitworth and our loved ones in the military.

LOVED ONES IN THE MILITARY:

#Ethan Beck, #Jake Dellinger, Aron Dickerson, Kenny Greene, Jessica Lovell, *Travis Kiser, *Cody Spiker.

Church Member; *Stationed in the Middle East

A NOTE OF



Thank you for all the cards, visits, prayers and food during Ronnie's illness and death. Our family is so blessed to have such a wonderful church family. Please continue to remember us in your prayers.

Pam Anthony & Family



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Sunday, October 29

8:45am - Early Worship
9:45am - Sunday School
10:00am - Charge Conference
11:00am - Worship
5:00 - 7:00pm - Trunk or Treat

Wednesday, November 1

5:30pm - UMK's
6:00pm - Youth Bible Study
6:00pm - Chancel Choir rehearsal
6:30pm - Cantata rehearsal

Thursday, November 2

7:00am - Youth prayer breakfast at Homefolk's
8:00am - Prayer time in Parlor

Sunday, November 5

9:45am - Sunday School
11:00am - Worship
12:00pm - UMW church wide luncheon
5:00pm - Handbell rehearsal
6:00pm - Youth

Monday, November 6

7:00pm - UMW General meeting

Tuesday, November 7

6:30pm - Staff Parish Committee meeting

Wednesday, November 8

5:30pm - UMK's
6:00pm - Youth Bible Study
6:00pm - Chancel Choir rehearsal
6:30pm - Cantata rehearsal

Thursday, November 9

7:00am - Youth prayer breakfast at Homefolk's
8:00am - Prayer time in Parlor

Sunday, November 12

8:45am - Early Worship
9:45am - Sunday School
11:00am - Worship
5:00pm - Handbell rehearsal
6:00pm - Youth

Tuesday, November 14

2:00pm - Prayer Shawl Committee meeting

Wednesday, November 15

5:30pm - UMK's
6:00pm - Youth Bible Study
6:00pm - Chancel Choir rehearsal
6:30pm - Cantata rehearsal

Thursday, November 16

7:00am - Youth prayer breakfast at Homefolk's
8:00am - Prayer time in Parlor

Sunday, November 19

8:45am - Early Worship
9:45am - Sunday School
11:00am - Worship
6:00pm - Community Thanksgiving Service
at Shady Grove Baptist Church

Wednesday, November 22

No UMK's
No Youth Bible Study
6:00pm - Chancel Choir rehearsal
6:30pm - Cantata rehearsal

Thursday, November 23

Happy Thanksgiving

Sunday, November 26

8:45am - Early Worship
9:45am - Sunday School
11:00am - Worship
6:00pm - First Light Dinner

Wednesday, November 29

5:30pm - UMK's
6:00pm - Youth Bible Study
6:00pm - Chancel Choir rehearsal
6:30pm - Cantata rehearsal

Thursday, November 30

7:00am - Youth prayer breakfast at Homefolk's
8:00am - Prayer time in Parlor

Friday, December 1

7:00pm - Rick Webb concert in Sanctuary

Daylight Savings Time ends:

Remember to set your clocks back next Saturday, November 4, before you go to bed.

