

9:00 am	Southern Pines United Methodist Church	14 Sept 2025	11:00 am	Southern Pines United Methodist Church	14 Sept 2025
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Prelude	“Your Grace Is Enough” “Live It Well”	Praise Band	Prelude		
Welcome & Announcements			Welcome & Announcements		
*Call to Worship (based on Luke 10:1-11) Come, people of God, lay down your burdens; take nothing but God’s word. for Christ himself is our provision, and the Spirit is our strength. Rise up and worship—the Lord of the harvest is here! Let us rejoice, for his kingdom comes, and his peace rests upon all who receive him.			*Call to Worship		
*Song of Praise	“All The People Said Amen”	Congregational	*Opening Hymn	“God of Grace and God of Glory”	UMH #577
*Passing of the Peace			*Opening Prayer Gracious God, you welcome us into your kingdom with open arms and send us out like workers into your harvest. Equip us, we pray, to bear witness to your peace, healing, and truth. Strengthen our hearts and guide our steps, that your kingdom may be made known through our faithful service. In Jesus' name, amen.		
First Scripture Reading	Luke 10:1-11	page 66 (NT)	*Gloria Patri		UMH #71
Children’s Time (afterwards, children PreK - 5th grade are invited to go to KOW. You may pick your child(ren) up from KOW or the playground after the worship service).			*Passing of the Peace		
Joys & Concerns			First Scripture Reading	Luke 10:1-11	page 66 (NT)
Pastoral Prayer			Children’s Time (afterwards, children PreK - 5th grade are invited to go to KOW. You may pick your child(ren) up from KOW or the playground after the worship service).		
The Lord’s Prayer			Joys & Concerns		
Invitation to Offering			Call to Prayer	“Sweet Hour of Prayer”	
Anthem	“Look Up Child”	Praise Band	Pastoral Prayer		
Sermon Scripture	Acts 13:26-49	page 124 (NT)	The Lord’s Prayer		
Sermon		John Michael McAllister	Invitation to Offering		
*Song of Response	“Healing Begins”	Praise Band	*Doxology		
*Benediction			*Offertory Prayer		
*Postlude		Praise Band	Anthem	“Be Thou My Vision”	Chancel Choir
Welcome to God’s house! “It’s a joy to have every worshiper here to glorify God and to share in fellowship with one another.			Sermon Scripture Reading	Acts 13:26-49	page 124 (NT)
If you would like to know more about Southern Pines UMC or are searching for a church home, we warmly invite you to contact us by placing the completed “Connect with Us” card in the offering plate or by calling the church office (910-692-3518).			Sermon		John Michael McAllister
			Hymn of Response	“Here I Am Lord”	UMH #593
			*Benediction		
			*Benediction Response	“A Charge to Keep I Have”	UMH #413
			*Postlude		

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God by...

Frank and Lynne Thigpen in honor of Nanette Martin

Prayers and Condolences

Our sincerest prayers to the family of Faye Welsh as she entered Life Eternal on Monday, September 8th.

Pastor’s Book Study

Join Pastor JM and friends for a 4-week book study on Johnathon Haidt’s “[The Anxious Generation](#).” **Continuing at 5:00pm at church and on zoom** each Sunday through September 28th. (Purchase your own book.) What does it mean to raise kids/grandkids who are made in God’s image...in a world that constantly tells them otherwise? All are welcome as we explore this important book and discuss how our faith can guide us as we navigate the realities of a changing landscape with the children and teens in our lives.

Susanna Wesley Circle—Monday, Sept 15 @ 7PM—Ezra Room

The Susanna Wesley Circle kicks off the year with a program on a local resource for those battling drug addiction. Stephanie Heck McLean of FirstHealth is a NC Certified Peer Support Specialist, NC Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselor (CADC), and W.R.A.P Facilitator. Housed in the Recovering Moore Resource Center in Aberdeen, she provides support to individuals with substance and opioid use disorder. Please join us for a devotion, program, refreshments & fellowship! Guests are welcome!

Please let our hostesses (Kim Stoudenmire kimstoud4@gmail.com and Mary Ellen Bender mebend1939@gmail.com) know to expect you.

Senior Adult Fellowship

The next Senior Adult Fellowship group will meet on Thursday, September 18th at 11:30am. For detailed information, please contact Vivian Ratliff vivrd53@gmail.com) or text (910) 638-8336.

American Red Cross—Wednesday, September 24 from 1:30-6pm

The next scheduled blood drive is Wednesday, September 24 from 1:30--6 pm. Contact the church office or [click here to make an appointment](#).

Feed the Hunger Packathon -Sept 21 @ 2:30pm

Join fellow SoPUMCer’s on Sunday, September 21 from 2:30-4:30pm as we package 20,000 meals to address food insecurity amongst vulnerable school children around the globe.

ZOE Camp Thank You Message

The 2025 ZOE Camps and ZOE Sunday at SPUMC were a great success. The profits will be used to pay ZOE travel fees for future travelers to visit our ZOE groups in Zimbabwe next year. Many thanks to the eager learners who attended camp and to all the youth helpers who supported the program. Special thanks to our volunteers: Sharon Martin Stabile (art director), Randy & Linda Swetta (Designers), Mikey Delle, Valerie Mountcastle, Sarah Prestipino, Susan Reeve, Debbie Whitley, Katie Wilkins, Molly Wilson, and Ellen Wilken (director). Camps will return in 2026 with Viking DOT, Architecture Studio, and Sol Lewitt Design planned.

Youth Ministry

I am so excited to share with everyone that our youth ministry is beginning a new year of discipleship and fellowship! As we begin, I would love your help in making this ministry a place where our youth feel the love and support of their whole church family. We have created a SignUpGenius with opportunities to help serve throughout the year.

Your presence and support, whether through teaching, providing food, or simply showing up for our youth, will make a lasting impact on their faith journey.

Thank you for prayerfully considering how you might serve. Let's pour into the lives of our youth and show them the joy of being part of the body of Christ.

Here's the link to sign up:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805084CAFAE22A2F49-58140664-sopines#/>

Shortened Link: bit.ly/umyfvolunteer

Bless all of you, Heath West, Director of Youth Ministries, Southern Pines UMC

Prayer List

If you or others you know have an upcoming medical procedure, are sick, or are experiencing a significant life event, please let our pastoral staff know by contacting the church directly at 910-692-3518 or spumc@nc.rr.com. You may also fill out the Pastoral Visit or Prayer Request card located on the back of each pew and place it in the collection plate.

Medical Transportation

Please contact Norma Morrison emorrison@nccumc.org or (910-585-0990) to schedule a ride if you are a SPUMC member who may occasionally need transportation to local medical appointments.

In SPUMC

Jeannie Daigre, Mikey Delle, Dianne Greene, Ken & Nancy Libertini, Teresa Randall, Joe Rasmus, Alvin Ratliff and John Southerland.

Fox Hollow, 190 Fox Hollow Road, Pinehurst, 28374: Doug Burns #236

Gracious Retirement Living: 205 SE Service Rd, So. Pines: Bill Dillon

Harborview Lumberton: 1555 Willis Ave., Lumberton, NC 28358: Donna Dickson

Peak Resources Pinelake: 801 Pinehurst Ave., #505, Carthage, 28327: Libby Staples

Penick Village: 500 E. Rhode Island Ave., So. Pines:

Betty Dorsett, Larry & Lynda Newsome, Nancy Peterson-#235, Kay Rhoades-#239, Don (skilled nursing) & Joyce Tickle, Decatur & Betty Richardson, Chuck Kersey and Karla Peabody (mother of Robin Glenn)

Quail Haven Retirement Village, 155 Blake Blvd., Pinehurst, NC 28374: Nancy Scaggs

St. Joseph of the Pines Ctr.: 103 Gossman Drive, So. Pines, 28387: David Miller—# 215

Extended Family & Friends

Glenda Cameron (niece of Gwen Funderburk), **Myra Doggett** (mother of Michelle Aubrey), **Joe Hiatt & family**, **Virginia Jones** (sister of Sarah Prestipino), **Mac Maclain** (husband of Sue Maclain), **Linda Pace** (niece of Gwen Funderburk), **Jackson Powitchko** (Jack & Kathy Powitchko), **Ella Rich** (granddaughter of Larry & Lynda Newsome), **Jerry Riggins** (brother of Katherine Stafford), **Tommy Riggins** (brother of Katherine Stafford), **Miranda Shepherd** (Katie Humber), **David & Deborah Steffes**, **Ben Sutton** (father of Jason Sutton), **Rich West** (grandfather of Heath West)

We are honored to pray for extended family and friends for four weeks. After the fourth week, and, if someone still needs prayer, please contact the church office so their name may remain on the list. And, we would love to hear about their status.

Updates from The Outreach Committee

Family Promise

We would like to thank Valerie Mountcastle for accepting the role of Family Promise Ministry Coordinator. Please reach out to her at (valmount@bellsouth.net) if you would like to volunteer as a dinner host on Wednesday or Thursday, September 10th and 11th. Drop off is requested between 5 and 5:30, but earlier is fine too.

Kids Books/ Bags Summer Program

Beginning on June 16th our church donated 476 books/bags to infants through 12th grade!!! What a blessing to serve our community along with our Food Pantry. A huge thank you to our invaluable volunteers.

Youth: Kendall Berry, Saoirse Moher, Ava Ratliff and Emmy Jane

Adults: Mary Ellen, Vivian, Diane, Michelle and Jill

Thanks to the Wednesday morning Life Group for packing Bags

This is truly a ministry to families in the name of the Lord.

Men’s Group Meeting

The Men’s group will meet at 7:30am Saturday, September 27th at Golden Corral, 10735 U.S 15-501. Doug will be the speaker. For details, contact Doug Harvey (317) 695-1217 or doharv@aol.com.

Women's Life Group—Wednesdays 10:30-12:30, Ezra Room

A Women’s Life Group meets regularly at 10:30-12:30 on Wednesday mornings in the Ezra Room. New folks and visitors are welcome. Bring your Bible or Study Bible. We are studying Titus. WLG will be studying Philemon next and then moving on to a special study on Romans. If you have questions, call Mary Ellen Bender, 252-802-0525.

In-Person ~ Live Stream ~ Worship Services

9:00 am	Praise & Worship Service w/Praise Band
10:00 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Traditional Worship Service w/Chancel Choir
4:30 pm	Youth Group
5:00 pm	“The Anxious Generation” Book Study
Mon - Sept 15	Food Pantry, 10-11:30am Finance Committee, 7pm Susanna Wesley Circle, Ezra Room, 7pm
Tue - Sept 16	Exercise Class, Narthex, 9:30am Communion, Wesley Chapel, 12 noon Evergreen (AA) Group, 7:30pm
Wed - Sept 17	Women’s Life Group, Ezra Room, 10:30am Handbell Practice, 5:30pm Chancel Choir, 6:30pm Cantata Choir rehearsals, 7:15-7:45pm
Sun - Sept 21	Feed the Hunger (meal packing event), 2:30-4:30pm, F. Hall
Wed - Sept 24	American Red Cross Bloodmobile, 1:30-6pm
Thu - Sept 25	Home School Group (HOPE in the Sandhills), Reeves Hall, 1-5pm
Fri - Sept 26	Fun Friday & Parents’ Night Out, 5-8:00pm
Sat - Sept 27	Men’s Meeting @ Golden Corral, 7:30am
Wed - Oct 8	Charge Conference, 6pm

Mission Statement: “Our Mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ by connecting people to God, to others, and to the world.”

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Year-to-Date Contributions and Expenditures thru August 2025

Total Revenue YTD: \$388,878.85

Total Expenses YTD: \$397,205.57

Thank you for your continued support of the Southern Pines United Methodist Church and its ministry.

Honorariums

- In honor of Mary Ellen Bender by Candace Fairbanks
- In honor of Aaron Landry by Frank and Lynne Thigpen
- In honor of Frank and Lynne Thigpen by Jason and Ginny Sutton

Memorials

- In memory of Terry Bowman, brother of Cindy Garrison, by Jim and Shirley McCaskill
- In memory of Jane MacDougall by the Tuesday Night Life Group

Giving Made Easy: Electronic gifts are fast and secure. Give anytime, anywhere to your favorite funds. Schedule donations or set up an account and make donations whenever you'd like throughout the year. Go to the Southern Pines UMC web-site: www.southernpinesumc.org and click “Give” at the top of the page to get started. **Text Your Offering:** 910-390-1703 (These donations will go to the operating budget.) If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Aubrey: Shelliesnc@gmail.com.

Stock Donations: If you are planning or need procedural information regarding stock donations, we ask that you contact Laura Parker, 910-246-0835 or (lparker@fbwealthmanagement.com), at First Bank Wealth Management.

Announcement Deadline—Bulletin

If you would like an announcement in the bulletin please submit your request by 8am Tuesday morning.