26 Oct 2025

*Please Stand if Able

Prelude "God of Wonders" Praise Band "Beautiful Things"

Welcome & Announcements

*Call to Worship

Come, all who are weary, drawn by the voice of the Shepherd; who sees crowds with compassion, who tends every wound with grace.

Come near, for God gathers us—not as strangers, but as friends and coworkers, not because we are ready, but because the harvest is full.

Christ draws us in to be healed, and sends us out to heal.

We are gathered in love, and scattered with purpose.

***Song of Praise** "Good, Good Father" Congregational

*Passing of the Peace

First Scripture Reading Romans 10:5-15 page 149 (NT)

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).

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Offering

Anthem "If We Are The Body" Praise Band

Second Scripture Matthew 9:35-38 page 9 (NT)

Sermon "Step into the field" Rev. Sunny B. Limm

***Song of Response** "Carrier" Praise Band

*Benediction

*Postlude Praise Band

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.

Nursery Available for Children ages birth-4 years of age.

(*) Please Stand If Able

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Introit "God of Love and God of Power" Chancel Choir

*Call to Worship

*Opening Hymn "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service" UMH #581

*Opening Prayer

Compassionate Christ, you see the crowds and feel their pain. You heal, you teach, you call. Open our hearts to your mercy and our eyes to the harvest around us. Make us willing laborers, shaped by your love, sent in your name, ready to serve where the need is great - to the glory of your name. Amen.

*Gloria Patri UMH #71

*Passing of the Peace

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Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Offering "How Great Thou Art" Taylor Hickey/Alan Daubenspeck

*Doxology

*Offertory Prayer

Anthem "I am Thine, O Lord" Chancel Choir

Dedicated to Ken Libertini

Second Scripture Reading Matthew 9:35-38 page 9 (NT)

Sermon "Step into the field" Rev. Sunny B. Limm

Hymn of Response "Lord, You Give the Great Commission" UMH #130

*Benediction

*Benediction Response "God will Take Care of You" Chancel Choir

*Postlude

Welcome

Today, we welcome District Superintendent Reverend Sunny Limm who will be preaching at both the 9 and 11 o'clock worship services.

Fall Fest & Trunk or Treat this afternoon at 3:00pm

Today's the day for our annual Fall Fest! Join us in the sanctuary parking lot beginning at 3pm (2pm to set up trunks for Trunk or Treat). Bring your favorite lawn chair and an appetite. This is a fellowship event for all ages with the church and preschool. Wildflower Pizza and Sunset Slush will be our food trucks for this event! Halloween costumes encouraged but not required.

Prayers and Condolences

Our sincerest prayers and condolences to Lynda Newsome and family regarding the death of her husband, Larry Newsome. Larry entered Life Triumphant early Friday morning, October 24th. Larry was a faithful member of Southern Pines UMC for 57 years.

All Saints Day

On All Saints Sunday, November 2, at the 9 and 11:00 a.m. worship services, our church is planning to publish the names and call the roll of each person in our church family who has died since last All Saints Sunday. We join with the Church Universal in the "communion of the saints" as we remember those who have gone to the place where the Father has prepared.

Angel Tree Update!

This year we will be buying gifts for K-5th graders at Southern Pines Elementary School who may be in need of extra support during the holiday season. The angels will be children only this year. The Community Outreach Committee members that work closely with the school social worker at SPE will share the angels with our interested church members on Sunday, November 16th. You will bring your wrapped gifts to the church during either a 2 hour period on Fri. Dec. 5, Sat. Dec. 6, or when you attend worship on Sunday Dec. 7th. The committee will get your gifts to the school very early on Monday morning, Dec. 8th. The parents will pick up the gifts from the school on December 9th.

Daylight Saving Time—Sunday, November 3

Remember to set your clock(s) back one hour Saturday night, November 2 for Daylight saving time. DST begins Sunday, November 3 at 2:00am. It is also a good reminder to check your smoke alarm batteries.

Experiencing God — Men's Study

Our inter-denominational men's study launched on October 15 with 40 guys. We meet Wednesdays at 6:00am in the fellowship hall for an hour, using the Experiencing God" workbook as our guide. All men are welcome. Questions? Contact Aaron Landry (alawlandry@gmail.com) or Bill Pate (williampate23@hotmail.com) for information.

Antioch Sunday School Class

The newly named 'Antioch' Sunday School class began a 6 week Andy Stanley video study on Sunday, September 28th. The name of the study is "Irresistible: Reclaiming the New that Jesus Unleashed for the World. Contact Jim and Ruthie Borrell at borrellje@yahoo.com with any questions.

Sunday School Study: The Chosen

Join us for an 8-week journey through The Chosen Season 1! Hosted by Matt & Susan Harmody. All are welcome! Sundays at 10:15am (Sunday School) in RH-4. See you there! This class began September 28th.

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 Romans. Questions—contact Mary Ellen Bender, 252-802-0525.

Men's Group Meeting

The SPUMC men's group meets at 7:30am the fourth Saturday of each month at the Golden Corral, 10735, US 15-501, Southern Pines. Everyone is welcome. For details, contact Doug Harvey (317) 695-1217 or doharv@aol.com.

Susanna Wesley Circle

What is SWC? We are Women on a Mission...and we want women of all ages to join us!!! The Susanna Wesley Circle meets monthly. Half of our meetings are at night and half at lunchtime. Some of our programs help us learn about the needs in our community. Others help us expand our spiritual knowledge and skills.

We participate in service projects to support needs in the community. We have a fund-raiser annually to raise funds to donate to the church and charitable organizations in the community and world. One of the nicest aspects of circle is the fellowship engendered by meeting regularly and working together on service projects. We have two socials a year to enjoy fellowship.

Email elainequestell@gmail.com to learn more. YOU are invited to join us

Year-to-Date Contributions and Expenditures thru September 2025

Total Revenue YTD: \$425,376.09 Total Expenses YTD: \$456,165.23

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

Honorariums

In honor of Lewis Cooper by Frank and Lynne Thigpen
In honor of Caroline Landry by Frank and Lynne Thigpen

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 website: 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.

A Warm WELCOME Is A Gift – Join The Welcome/Greeter Ministry

One of the greatest gifts we can share as a church member is a warm welcome. From the moment someone walks through our doors, their first impression <u>is formed</u> by a friendly smile and a kind word.

We can offer hospitality by extending a warm smile and greeting, helping newcomers find their way, or answering simple questions and connecting visitors to others.

This ministry does not take a lot of time, but it could make a dramatic difference to someone else. Whether someone is visiting for the first time or has been with us for years, this simple gesture of love can open hearts to God.

If you would like to be part of this Welcome/Greeter ministry, or simply learn more about it, please contact Valerie Mountcastle, valmount@bellsouth.net (843-817-1703). With gratitude, Valerie Mountcastle, Greeter Coordinator

Join Us for Sunday School

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9:15 - 10am Kids Own Worship (PreK-5th), LL

10:00 - 11am Faith & Fellowship (adult), Ezra Room (located in Reeves Hall)

10:15 - 11am The Chosen (adult), RH-4

10:15 - 11am The Antioch (adult), RH-5

10:15 - 11am Kindle (3rd-5th)

10:15 - 11am Spark (PreK-2nd)

10:15 - 11am Ignite (Youth/6-12th), FH

11:15 - 12pm Kids Own Worship (PreK-5th), LL

**LL (Lower Level) **RH (Reeves Hall) **FH (Fellowship Hall)
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Children & Youth Ministry

We are so thankful for both the children and youth God has entrusted to our church. Each Sunday from now until October 26th, we will gather for Sunday School with younger children, and youth (6th– 12th grade). These classes are a vital part of our ministry as we help our young people grow in their faith.

To keep all these ministries safe, vibrant, and effective, we need second adult volunteers to serve alongside our teachers and leaders. Having two adults present not only provides a safe environment but models Christian community and gives our kids and teens more support and encouragement. Here's how you can help: Sign up for one Sundy or multiple Sundays, whatever fits your schedule (Now—Oct 26th).

*No teaching prep is required, your role is simply to be present, supportive.

*Volunteers are needed for younger kids, older kids, youth classes, and both of our KOW services.

If you're willing to serve or want to learn more, please reply email us (hwest@sopinesumc.org, rrosellini@sopinesumc.org) or sign up via the links below. Thank you for considering this important ministry. Your presence could make all the difference in a child or teen's faith journey.

To volunteer to be the second adult for Sunday Sunday or KOW <u>please click this link</u>.

To sign up to provide dinner or be an adult guide at youth group, <u>please click this link</u>.

Calendar & Staff Directory 26 Oct 2025

Worship Services ~ In-Person ~ Live Stream

9:00 am Praise & Worship Service w/Praise Band

10:00 am Sunday School (all ages—see inside bulletin for class locations)

11:00 am Traditional Worship Service w/Chancel Choir

3-5:00 pm Fall Festival/Trunk or Treat

Mon - Oct 27 Food Pantry, 10-11:30am

Church Council, Ezra Room, 7pm

Tue - Oct 28 Exercise Class, Narthex, 9:30am

Communion, Wesley Chapel, 12 noon

Evergreen (AA) Group, 7:30pm

Wed - Oct 29 Children's Church, LPLL Preschool, Sanctuary, 10:15am

Women's Life Group, Ezra Room, 10:30am

Handbell Practice, 5:30pm/

Chancel Choir, 6:30pm/Cantata Choir rehearsals, 7:15-7:45pm

Sun - Nov 2 All Saints Day

Thu - Nov 6 HOPE in the Sandhills Game Club, Reeves Hall, 2-4:00pm

Fri - Nov 7-9 Pilgrimage (Rocky Mount Event Center)

Sun - Nov 9 Preschool Sunday

Sun - Nov 16 Angel Tree Sunday, Sanctuary, 10 & noon

Mon - Nov 17 Susanna Wesley Circle, Ezra Room, 12:30pm

Finance Committee, 7pm

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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Prayer List 26 Oct 2025

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.

Surgery/Procedure:

Hugh Bingham (right knee replacement, Mon, Oct 26)

In SPUMC

Doug Burns, Jeannie Daigre, Mikey Delle, Dianne Greene, Sue Harris, Ken & Nancy Libertini, Dan Pate, Teresa Randall, Joe Rasmus, Alvin Ratliff, Robert Reeve, Katherine Stafford, John Southerland, Katie Wilkins, Molly Wilson & Carmen Wondergem.

Fox Hollow, 190 Fox Hollow Road, Pinehurst, 28374: Nancy Scaggs #234

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

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

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

Betty Dorsett, 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)

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

Kelly Hayhurst Amos, Glenda Cameron (niece of Gwen Funderburk), Myra Doggett (mother of Michelle Aubrey), Jim T. Huelsman (BP & Liver), Patsy Huelsman (Peace in Life), Sue Kesler (friend of Robyn Dadig) Louise Miller (grandmother of Taylor Hickey) 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), Ben Sutton (father of Jason Sutton), Charlotte Wakefield (Donna Wondergem), Susan M. Walker (Cancer), 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.