

THE SUNDAY FUND

Each year on Mother's Day First United Methodist Church, along with other United Methodists across the state, receive contributions to **The Sunday Fund**. The Sunday Fund is the MOST critical part of the Senior Services' ministry. It is a benevolence fund designed to assist elders living on any of Senior Services' twelve campuses. Elders of all denominations, who have outlived their financial resources and can no longer afford the cost of housing and/or care, are eligible to receive Sunday Fund assistance. The Sunday Fund receives support from a variety of sources including individuals, churches, local businesses, as well as elders living on the campuses who have the means to support The Sunday Fund. However, over half of support comes directly from church families.

An insert for the 2022 Sunday Fund will be in this Sunday's bulletin. Please make your check to First United Methodist Church and write Sunday Fund in the memo line and place it in the offering plate in the specific envelope included in the insert. There are additional inserts available. Let us continue to generously support this worthy ministry.

"There is no way to be a perfect mother, and a million ways to be a good one." —Jill Churchill

"The art of mothering is to teach the art of living to children." —Elaine Heffner

"The mother's heart is the child's schoolroom." —Henry Ward Beecher



"Mother love is the fuel that enables a normal human being to do the impossible." ---Marion C. Garretty

"Being a mother is learning about strengths you didn't know you had." -Linda Wooten



SUNDAY, MAY 8

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service9:50 a.m. Sunday School11:00 a.m. Traditional Service

MONDAY, MAY 9 6:30 p.m. Prison Ministry

TUESDAY, MAY 10 6:00 p.m. Ladies Bible Study/Millie's

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir6:00 p.m. Youth Small Group6:15 p.m. Snack Supper

SATURDAY, MAY 14

9-12 noon Methodist Market



- 8. Patrick Hendrix
- 10. Sharon Nichols
- 12. Pam Hatfield
- 13. Marty Pender Timothy Newman
- 14. Danielynn Denson

12. Mr. & Mrs. Clay Adcock



Congratulations to Lettie Terrell and family on the birth of her great granddaughter, Ann Hampton Trammell, who was born April 28, 2022 to Tye and Sloan Trammell. Congratulations to Frank and Dee Webb on the birth of their daughter, Elizabeth Grace "Ella" Rush, who was born May 2, 2022 to Logan and Anne Rush.



This blood drive is for Dylan Johnson, the child who was shot by a stray bullet. There is a sign-up sheet outside the church office if you would like a specific time on Sunday, May 15.



Jane Beale Jordan

Frank M. Patty, Jr.



Hiskidz and Bible in Life:

Last week we began a new Sunday school series, **Getting Along.** Our lesson this Sunday is *Forgiving Others*. This lesson is from a story in the Old Testament. After Jacob cheated his brother out of the birthright, he knew he had hurt his brother and father. He left, but God told him to go back home and ask for forgiveness. When we hurt someone, it is important to try and make things right.

W.O.W WEDNESDAY CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

W.O.W Wednesdays children's Bible Study has concluded for the Summer. We will be working on planning a few activities for the Children's Ministries. Please understand that sign ups may be required due to needing to turn in numbers for reservations to certain events and activities. The number activities will be planned based on participation. Hope to see the children through the Summer.



Tentative dates for VBS are June 20 - June 24. If you are interested in helping, please call the church office or contact Tera Smith. We need volunteers in order to have VBS.

Solid Ground

Youth Sunday School

As we move into the month of May, we will begin a new series, **Getting Along**. This Sunday our lesson, *A Coat of Jealousy*, is about an all too familiar story. This Bible story is about Joseph and the relationship he had with his father. So many traits such as jealousy, selfishness, and dishonesty are revealed. Through this story we see how these traits can destroy relationships.

Sunday & Wednesday Night Group

We have concluded our Sunday and Wednesday night Bible Studies for the current term. We will be working on a bi-monthly schedule to keep us connected through the Summer, as everyone seems to be so busy.

Lake Junaluska/M28 Camp

M28 Camp at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina is July 8-11. All our spots have been filled, but if there are any cancellations the Camp will notify us. We are excited to finally be going back for Summer Worship in the Mountains.



Senior Recognition Sunday

This Sunday we will be recognizing our graduating seniors and celebrate their accomplishments and next chapter in life.

Resa Alexander Swoope

Allison Clayton Wyatt

Greeters Acolytes Scripture Sermon Flowers Jim & Dixie Roberts/Myra Dunlap Maddie Canard & Myla Wallace Luke 2:41-52 **"A Mother's Grace"** Bill & Molly McNair

Q&A about General Conference

Monday, May 16, at 6 p.m. we will have a Question & Answer time about the recently announced delayed General Conference. A number of articles have appeared in local newspapers about the UMC and the delayed General Conference. Several of you have asked some very good questions about what these articles mean. So, we will try our best to answer your questions and get caught up on what is going on in the UMC.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

MAY

8. 4th Sunday of EasterJohn 10:1-109. Wisdom's part in creationProverbs 8:22-3110. Delight in God's commandmentsPsalm 119:41-4811. A standard for judgmentAmos 7:7-912. The stoning of StephenActs 7:54-6013. You are my refugePsalm 31:1-5, 15-1614. Now you are God's1 Peter 2:2-10