



What an awesome week we had at Rocky Mtn. Railway! We had about 40 kids that we got to share just how Powerful God's love is. We also had over 30 adults and youth teachers/helpers for the week! A huge thanks to all the teachers, decorators, snack helpers, craft helpers, youth, administration, lunch runners and financial support! It truly takes a congregation to minister to the community during VBS! Thanks again for your support, time, talent and treasures! One of our focuses of the week was to "Watch for God Sightings", I definitely saw lots of ways that God is at work at Ellijay First! I am so thankful for a church that loves all of God's children and is so committed to their community and missions. May God bless each and every one of you!
Love, Marianne



This summer we are participating in the Seamless Summer Food Program. We will be providing free meals to children 18 and under. Our church will distribute these lunches at the church from June 7th-July 16th, Monday-Friday, 11:00-12:00.

Thanks to the UMM for serving our lunches last week. No meals this week.

See or Call Marianne at:
706-635-2555

Grief Support Group

A Grief Support Group will begin meeting Tuesday, July 20 from 11:30-1:30.

Call Paula Morris Acree at 770-570-9958 for more information or to register.



Stephen Ministry

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

Philippians 4:6

If you would like to know more about Stephen Ministry, please contact Gwen Scarth, Stephen Leader at 706-258-8757.

Opportunities for Travel in 2022

Rachel and Allan Tarr will host an informational meeting in the fellowship hall following the 11:00 worship service on July 11 regarding two international trips in 2022.

Oberammergau (Germany) Passion Play and Switzerland Tour;
July 13 – 22, 2022
South America Cruise (Argentina, Paraguay, Brazil); March 22 – April 2, 2022

International travel was virtually non-existent during the COVID-19 pandemic. The world is opening up for travel, and these two great opportunities are scheduled for next year.

Come to this meeting and find out the exciting details.
Questions: email allantarr@gmail.com

"Freedom from Homelessness"

New Beginnings is collecting an offering from area churches on July 4. We will be participating in this special offering. The "Shelter Project" under New Beginnings is working on a phased approach to get to the homeless shelter. Please make your Check payable to Ellijay First United Methodist Church and write "New Beginnings" on the memo line.

In Our Prayers:

Tom Allen, Michael Archer, Lessie Ashmore, Connie Baker, Gary Barber, Frank Beldowski, James Bell, Marlene Brown, Marissa Bruns, Nancy Burkhalter, Charlene Byrd, Katelynn Cantrell, Delores Carter, Jay & Amanda Chapman, Mike Christoforo, Mary Thelma Cole, Marc Daniel, Linda Daughtry, John & Charlotte Davis, Todd DeLaRosa, Regina Diaz, Kevin Duvall, Sharon Elkins, Allan Fanelli, Sharon Fletcher, Emma Ford, Matthew Goodner, Marie Hamrick, Rosie Haney, Gwen Hanisch, Reynolds Hedland, Mack Hipp, Robert & Ruth Hix, Marie Holt, Sebastian Howell, Bill Johnson, James (Mike) Jones, Shannon Leeper, Ethelyne Lingle, Will Mattison, Cheryl McConnell, Jim Murray, Miriam Niemira, Roy Norman, Andrea O'Connor, Roger Paquette, Marlene Parker, Bill Patton, Mary & Roger Paquette, Phil Perry, Llea Phrist, Chuck Pinson, Steven Ray, Sharon Rice, Anna Sammons, Matthew Schaeffer, Ruth & Galen Shinkle, Binni Sigurdsson, Jean Smilie, Sheila Stiles, Frank & Jennie Sue Taylor, Shelley Taylor, Jon Vigue, Sandy Williams, Doug Wix, Terry Woehr, Elliot Young.

* Names will be placed on the Prayer List for 30 days unless a request is made to remain longer.

Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Rev. Dr. Thom Shores, Pastor

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Sam Burcham	Youth Minister
Gabrielle Cornett	Pianist
Marianne Evans	Director of Children's Ministries and Preschool
Ann Hanline	Administrative Assistant/Financial Secretary
Julie Kepley	Nursery Coordinator
Zack Kepley	Audio/Video Technician
Claudia Mckeeon	Organist



A Stephen Ministry Congregation

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Dr. Thom Shores, Pastor
June 27, 2021

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

June 27, 2021 - The Color is Green

8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Worship

The Worship of God

Visitors, please include your address and telephone number on the attendance sheet so we can contact you.

Welcome and Announcements

The Chiming of the Hour

Focusing Words: Out of the depths, we cry to God. How do we seek hope in the wake of loss, in the midst of grief? How can our souls wait for the Lord like those who wait for the morning?

Prelude "Amazing Grace" *arr. by Lani Smith*

†The Greeting

Leader: We wait for the Lord, our souls wait for the Lord,

People: and find hope in God's word.

Leader: Our souls wait for the Lord

People: more than those who watch for the morning.

Leader: More than those who watch for the morning.

People: Let us seek hope in our God,

Leader: whose power is enduring love,

People: whose redemption brings healing and grace.

Leader: We wait for the Lord,

People: and find our hope in God's presence.

†The Invocation

The Hymn of Praise "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" UMH 117
1,2,5,6

†The Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

†The Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father
and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.**

The Pastoral Prayer Dr. Thom Shores

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.**

And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

The Hymn of Preparation "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" UMH 474
1,2,3

The Worship with Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory Music

"The Gift of Love"

by Hal Hopson

† **The Presentation and Doxology** UMH No. 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen**

Special Music

"Jesus, What a Wonderful Name"

*by Joel Raney
Ensemble*

The Scripture 1 Corinthians 3:4-9 NT

The Sermon "Plant, Water, Grow" Dr. Shores

The Closing Hymn "Awesome God" TFWS 2040
Guitars: Sam Burcham, John Rathbone,
Thom Shores, & Dan Worley

The Benediction

The Postlude "Recessional" *arr. by R. Hughes*

*Our Service of Worship has ended
Our Worship through Service begins*

† *Congregation Standing (as able)*
*11:00 am Service Only
8:45 am Service Only

*UMH-United Methodist Hymnal
TFWS-The Faith We Sing*

Sermon Notes:

Attendance Registration All Worshipers

**Please complete the following
information:**

Date: June 27, 2021

Name (s) _____

Address _____

City _____ St _____

Zip _____ Phone _____

() This is an address change

Email _____

I am a guest of _____

() I am a member of Ellijay FUMC

() I am a 1st time guest
Would you like a visit? () Yes () No

() I am a repeat guest

() I would like more information

() I would like to make a commitment to
Christ

() I would like to join Ellijay FUMC

() I would like to talk to the Pastor

Prayer Request: () Please share only with
the Pastor

Welcome to Worship

We have an 8:45 and 11:00 service in the sanctuary and in the parking lot as the FM 89.9 will still be operating.

The service will also be streaming live on facebook.com/ellijayfumc.

The Sunday message will continue to be loaded onto YouTube. This will be available on Monday mornings. In the search window type the date and ellijay for example: 05 16 21 ellijay. This will bring up this past Sunday's message.

You Are Welcome Here

You enter this church not as a stranger, but as a guest of God. He is your Heavenly Father. Come then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips, into His presence, offering Him your love and service. Be grateful to the men and women who, in the name of Jesus Christ, built this historic place of worship and to all who have beautified it and hallowed it with prayer and praise. Beseech His blessings on those who love this house of faith as the inspiration of their labor, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, and may that blessing rest upon your going out and your coming in.

Invitation to Church Membership

Anyone wishing to join this church by profession of faith or by transfer of your membership, please come forward during the closing hymn or speak to the pastor following worship. Know that you are always welcome here.