




Volunteers Needed for Children's Ministry

Sunday School Teachers
Children's Church Leaders
(Once every 3 months)
Nursery Helpers
(Once every 3 months)

Please contact Marianne for more information



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.

See or Call Marianne at:
706-635-2555

Youth News!

On the Road Again (Sing it, Willie!)
The Mobile Methodists are on the road again this afternoon, as our bike hits the pavement for downtown Ellijay's Fourth of July Parade at 6 PM! Come out and see some representatives from our youth and children's ministries in action!

Life Together: Session 1
Wednesday, July 7 | 6:30-7:30 PM
Being with others, that's easy enough, right? Well, maybe not. Tonight we begin a series on what it really means to be with another.


The EFUMC 20th (Well Maybe, We Lost Count) Annual Scavenger Hunt!
Wednesday, July 14 | 6:30 PM
You know the drill, right? There are items to find, tasks to complete, and clues to be uncovered. But let's be honest--the real goal is to beat Mrs. Marianne's team! Everyone--and we do mean *everyone* (you, your family, your friends, the cashier you chatted with at Wal-Mart yesterday...) is invited to join us. There will potentially be a Q&A with the new pastor following the Hunt. More details to come!



Ellijay First United Methodist Church


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A Stephen Ministry Congregation



Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ and supporting me after the loss of Bill.

Sandy Williams




To our Dear Church Family:
We would like to thank you for the wonderful luncheon, all your generous gifts and especially for your love & prayers over the past 6 years. Ellijay First will always hold a special place in our hearts. We love each and everyone of you and pray for all good things in the future.

Blessings,
Thom & Sharon

In Our Prayers:

Tom Allen, Michael Archer, Lessie Ashmore, Connie Baker, Gary Barber, Frank Beldowski, James Bell, Marlene Brown, Nancy Burkhalter, Charlene Byrd, 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, Robert & Ruth Hix, Marie Holt, Sebastian Howell, Bill Johnson, James (Mike) Jones, Shannon Leeper, Ethelyne Lingle, Will Mattison, Cheryl cConnell, Jim Murray, Miriam Niemira, Roy Norman, Andrea O'Connor, Marlene Parker, Mary & Roger Paquette, Phil Perry, Lea Phrist, Chuck Pinson, Steven Ray, Sharon Rice, Matthew Schaeffer, Ruth & Galen Shinkle, Binni Sigurdsson, Jean Smilie, Sheila Stiles, Frank & Jennie Sue Taylor, Shelley Taylor, Jon Vigue, Sandy Williams, Terry Woehr, Elliot Young.

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



Happy Independence Day!

The church office will be closed Monday, July 5th in observance of Independence Day.

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.

Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Rev. Dr. John Brantley, Pastor
Church phone: 706-635-2555; Fax: 706-273-2555;
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Sam Burcham	Associate Pastor and 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 Mckeon	Organist




Meet and Greet for John and Wendy Brantley
July 11, 2021 @ noon
Fellowship Hall



Stephen Ministry

Pray continually.
1 Thessalonians 5:17

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

Rev. Allan Tarr
July 4, 2021



Sixth Sunday after Pentecost
July 4, 2021 - The Color is Green
8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Worship
The Worship of God - Holy Communion

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: With each breath we take, our spirits breathe in God's Spirit. Our souls rejoice in the one who fully knows our hearts. God's grace sustains us, even in the midst of our weaknesses. As we exhale, let us reflect upon our relationships with our neighbors. Pondering God's steadfast love, may we see the ways that God is calling us in this space and time.

Prelude *arr. by Mark Hayes*
"Tribute to America"

†**The Greeting**
Leader: When winds tear into our vessels,
People: God's grace will be our guide.
Leader: When insecurities mount up within our souls,
People: God's strength will be our guide.
Leader: When hardships weaken our resolve,
People: God's mercy will be our guide.
Leader: When insults rip and slander stains,
People: God's courage will be our guide.
Leader: When vulnerability saps our faith,
People: God's presence will be our guide.

†**The Invocation**

† **The Hymn of Praise** "America the Beautiful" UMH 696

†**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.**

† *Congregation Standing (as able)* UMH-United Methodist Hymnal
**11:00 am Service Only* TFWS-The Faith We Sing
8:45 am Service Only

Special Giving Moment

The Pastoral Prayer Rev. Allan Tarr

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** "Rejoice, The Lord is King" UMH 715
1,2,3

The Worship with Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory Music *arr. by Lloyd Larson*
"The Wondrous Cross"

†**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 *by Carta Adolphe*
"You Are Mine (Isaiah 43)" Sam & Holly Burcham

The Scripture 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 OT
All the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron and said, "We are your own flesh and blood. In the past, while Saul was king over us, you were the one who led Israel on their military campaigns. And the Lord said to you, 'You will shepherd my people Israel, and you will become their ruler.'" When all the elders of Israel had come to King David at Hebron, the king made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel. David was thirty years old when he became king, and he reigned forty years. In Hebron he reigned over Judah seven years and six months, and in Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah thirty-three years. David then took up residence in the fortress and called it the City of David. He built up the area around it, from the terraces inward. And he became more and more powerful, because the Lord God Almighty was with him.

The Sermon "Independence and Freedom - A Paradox" Rev. Tarr

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

The Closing Hymn "There's Something About That Name" UMH 171

The Benediction

The Postlude *arr. by Lani Smith*
"Spacious Skies"

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

"Freedom from Homelessness"

New Beginnings is collecting an offering from area churches today. We are 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.

Opportunities for Travel in 2022 - Date Changed to July 18

Rachel and Allan Tarr will host an informational meeting in the fellowship hall following the 11:00 worship service on July 18 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.

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.

**Attendance Registration
All Worshipers**

Please complete the following information:

Date: July 4, 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

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.