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SEAMLESS SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM

This summer we will be 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 our church from June 3rd-July 18th, Monday-Thursday, 11:00-11:30. We need about three people each day to go and pick up the lunches at the high school, bring them to the Church site and pass them out to the children. We are looking for groups to sign up for a week of service. *See or Call Marianne at 706-635-2555.*



We have received a very generous donation of a wheelchair and a walker. If you or someone you know is in need, please check with the Church Office for more information.



Singles Mingles Event!

Sunday May 19th @ 1pm
Game Day at the Church

Contact Warren Acree for more information.

Church Lock Up

5/19-5/25 Lloyd Vautrot
5/26-6/01 Hank Chapman
6/02-6/08 Bill Munson

5/19: Ginger Hearn
5/19: Anne Rainey
5/21: John Marshall
5/21: Marylyn Vail
5/22: Kenneth Mckeon
5/22: Annette Scott

Upcoming Events

May 20th: Team Tabitha
May 21st: Bible Study @ 11am
May 22nd: Lunch and Learn
with the Pastor @ Noon
May 27th: Memorial Day
Church Office closed
May 29th: Lunch and Learn



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Save the Date!

June 9th - Pastor Shoemaker's last day with us. Join them after services for a goodbye and a time to extend well-wishes to Chris and Kerri.



FUMC Firestarter's Prayer for the Week Prayer to the Holy Spirit

**Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and
kindle in us the fire of your love, . . . through Christ
our Lord, Amen.**

Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 am- 4 pm

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Ellijay First

United Methodist Church
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May 19, 2024

Pentecost Sunday

10:00 a.m. Worship - The Liturgical Color is Red

The Worship of God

Welcome and Announcements

The Chiming of the Hour

Focusing Words: In rushing wind and tongues of fire, the Church is born through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Prelude: "Come Share the Lord"

arr by Mark Hayes

The Call to Worship: "Spirit of the Living God"

by Daniel Iverson

†**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 104: 1-13, 24-35

UMH 826 & 827

†**Invocation**

†**The Hymn of Praise**

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

UMH 334

† **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.

Prayers of the People

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:**
“As a Fire is Meant for Burning” TFWS 2237

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.

The Worship with Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory Music: “Every Time I Feel the Spirit”
arr by Mary McDonald

† **The Presentation and Doxology**
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

The Anthem: “Pentecostal Fire is Falling”
arr by James Boersma

The Scripture: Acts 2:1-21

The Sermon: “Pentecost” Pastor

The Closing Hymn: “Holy Spirit, Come Confirm Us”
UMH 331

† **The Benediction**

† **The Choral Benediction**
“Victory in Jesus (refrain) UMH 370

The Postlude “Revive Us Again”
arr by Mary McDonald

† *Following the service, the Prayer Team is available at both the Narthex and Altar. They are wearing white scarves.*

Acts 2:1-21 “The Coming of the Holy Spirit”

2 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. 2 And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. 5 Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. 6 And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. 7 Amazed and astonished, they asked, “Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?” 8 And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? 9 Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God’s deeds of power.” 12 All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” 13 But others sneered and said, “They are filled with new wine.” 14 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, “Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. 15 Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o’clock in the morning. 16 No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: 17 ‘In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. 18 Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. 19 And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. 20 The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord’s great and glorious day. 21 Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’