

## SEAMLESS SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM

This summer we will be once again be participating in the Seamless Summer Food Program. Thank you to all that have already signed up to help. We are fully covered with the exception of the week of June 10th. The program runs from June 3rd-July 18th, Monday-Thursday, 11:00-11:30. See or Call Marianne at 706-635-2555 if you can help.

### April Financial Recap

Check the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall for complete financial information.  
Needed Weekly: \$9963  
Received 5/19: \$4211  
(includes \$100 for VBS )  
Year to Date Budget: \$241,919



Congratulations to our  
graduating senior  
**Matthew Grice!**



### Farewell to the Shoemakers

June 9th will be Pastor Shoemaker's last worship day with us. We will host a luncheon after the service to say our goodbyes, have time to extend our thanks and give well wishes to Chris and Kerri. The congregation is asked to bring sides or desserts. Sandwiches will be provided by the choir.



5/27: Jendy Hays  
5/29: Judy Leonard  
5/30: Nancy Smith  
5/31: Aaron Evans



Please join us on Friday, June 7 @ 6pm and share our updated format. We are basing the monthly service on ideas from the group! This month's topic is "Imagination"! Check out Ephesians 3:20-21.  
Hope to see you there!

## Upcoming Events

May 27th: Memorial Day  
Church Office closed  
May 28th: Bible Study at 11am and 4pm.  
May 29th: Lunch and Learn with the Pastor @ Noon  
June 9th: Pot Luck luncheon  
June 11th: UMM Breakfast @ Smokehouse Barbeque

### Singles Mingles Event!

Sunday May 19th @ 1pm  
Game Day at the Church  
Contact Warren Acree for more information.

### Church Lock Up

5/26-6/01 Hank Chapman  
6/02-6/08 Bill Munson  
06/9-6/15: Lloyd Vautrot



### FUMC Firestarter's Prayer for the Week

O Lord, you bring us life and peace, even when we can't see you and wonder why you are hiding. You are the eternal and great I AM. We have a place at your table, and know that you have plans for our future.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen!

Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 am- 4 pm  
Rev. Dr. John Brantley, Pastor 404-323-5646 john@brantley.net  
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## Register today for VBS!

VBS 2024 will take place  
June 10th - 14th.



### The History of Methodism

Led by Pastor Shoemaker  
FINAL Lecture of this popular series.

It is not too late to join this informative lesson.  
6-8pm Thursday, May 30th  
Meet in the Youth Room.



## Ellijay First

United Methodist Church  
75 McCutchen Street, P.O. Box 472  
Ellijay, GA 30540  
May 26, 2024

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

### Trinity Sunday

Trinity Sunday is a time to celebrate the fullness of God in the persons of the Father, Son and the Holy Spirit.

### Welcome and Announcements

### The Chiming of the Hour

**Focusing Words:** With strength and power, the Father comes to us. With arms stretched wide, the Son calls to us. With sighs too deep for words, the Spirit heals us. Thanks be to God, Mother and Father of us all.

### Prelude: "Battle Hymn of the Republic"

Piano duet by Gabrielle Cornett and Susan Gooch  
arr by Mark Hayes

### The Call to Worship: "When in Our Music, God is Glorified"

by Fred Green & John Stanford

### † The Greeting (from Psalm 29)

Leader: Who is like our God in glory and strength?  
**People: The voice of the Lord thunders over the waters.**  
Leader: Who is like the Lord in power and might?  
**People: The voice of God breaks the mighty cedars.**  
Leader: Who is like the Holy One in awe and wonder?  
**People: The voice of the Almighty shakes the wilderness.**  
Leader: God sits enthroned as King forever.  
**People: Worship God in holy splendor.**  
Leader: Come! Let us worship the Lord.

† **Invocation**

†**The Hymn of Praise:** To Thee We Come” (see insert)

† **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**

“Blessed Assurance”

UMH 369

**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:**

“Holy God, We Praise Thy Name”      UMH 79    vs 1,2,4

**The Worship with Tithes and Offerings**

**The Offertory Music:** “Amazing Grace”

arr by Joel Raney

† **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:** “Here I Am, Lord”

*arr by Mary McDonald*

**The Scripture:** Romans 8:12-17

**The Sermon:** “Children of God”

Pastor

**The Closing Hymn:** “Holy, Holy, Holy”

UMH 64

† **The Benediction**

† **The Choral Benediction**

“Victory in Jesus (refrain)”

UMH 370

**The Postlude** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee””

*by Ludwig Von Beethoven*

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

Romans 8:12-17

(NRSVCE)

<sup>12</sup> So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—

<sup>13</sup> for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

<sup>14</sup> For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

<sup>15</sup> For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!”

<sup>16</sup> it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

<sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

