

Week at a Glance: November 17-25

Sunday 1pm: Singles Mingles Game Day @ EFUMC
 4pm: Community Chorus @ Ellijay Elementary
 Monday Team Tabitha
 Tuesday Joy Noon Circle
 Wednesday Cub Scout Pack 402 Mission Dinner @ 5:30pm
 Singles/Mingles Toys for Tots gift wrapping
 Monday 11/25, 9-11 - Decorate for Advent. All are welcome!

Cub Scout Mission Dinner

Cub Scout Pack 402 will be having a baked spaghetti dinner here at the church on Wednesday, November 20th at 5:30pm. Donations are encouraged. There is a sign-up sheet in the office. Please contact Sherry Bramlett for more info at 706-633-6900.



Happy Thanksgiving!

In observance of Thanksgiving, the Church Office will be closed from Wednesday, November 27th through Saturday, November 30th



Ladies of the Church

Please plan to join the Claddagh Circle's "Joyful Noise" singers as we carol at the Manor Lake cottages on Monday, December 9 at 6 pm. Words to songs will be provided as well as background music. Many of our church members live there and this event is always a blessing to all. We hope you will join us.



The Marine Corp Reserve Toys For Tots is in need of volunteers to help wrap toys and gifts. They have already begun wrapping for 2024. If you are interested in helping, please contact AJ LeComte at 706.669.5853.



EFUMC's Newest Member

Marsha Lemon is now a member of our Church! She has already been busy knitting lots of winter caps for the Appalachian children that will be distributed by the Craddock Center.

Church Lock-up Schedule

11/17: Bill Munson
 11/24: Hank Chapman
 12/01: Lloyd Vautrot



11/23: Bliss Cole

Help Wanted—The Warming Center is in need of volunteers to provide meals, stay overnight, or to provide transportation. If you are willing to serve over the winter, please contact Rachel Tarr (rachel.tarr@yahoo.com) or 770-316-4934 for sign up and for more information.

FUMC Firestarter's Prayer for the Week

Buildings come and buildings go, but the body of Christ (the Church) is eternal. Bless our gathering and our worship in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Financial Report

Thanks to the Congregation for your generous tithes and offerings. Last week, \$5,882 was received. The total for the month of November thus far is \$18,884. Up to date financial reports are always posted in the Fellowship Hall.

Prayers for the Week

Pray without ceasing for family/friends, teachers, doctors, pastors, World Leaders/Military, The Weak, Sick & Hungry, Ourselves. Prayer Request Forms are in the Pew Racks

General

Emma Ford
 Missionary

Health

Doug Bater
 Ed Boyd
 Kyle Bullington
 Joan Compton
 Paul Compton
 Earline Copley
 Allen Fanelli
 Sharon Fletcher
 Jessica Good
 Betty Jo Hanes

Gail Laws

Rylan Leeper
 Shannon Leeper
 Jackie Leva
 John Mahan
 Ken Makant
 Susan Makant
 Lisa Malham
 Nancy Smith
 Mike Vitelli

Hospital / Rehab

Peggy Puckett

Surgery /Upcoming

Barbara Fogle

Surgery/Recuperating

Susan Andersen
 Paula Andor
 Terry Copeland
 Earline Crooke
 Pat Daniels
 JoAnn Davis
 Martha Davis
 Lynn Perry

Shut-In

Peter Adams
 Marlene Brown
 Ernette Calhoun
 Jim Hagopian
 Mack Hipp
 Rudi Lanehardt
 Peggy Puckett
 Caryl Putnan
 Margie Pyren
 Paul Stanhope
 Mary Uthlaut
 Valerie Weiss
 Robert Westmoreland

Hospice

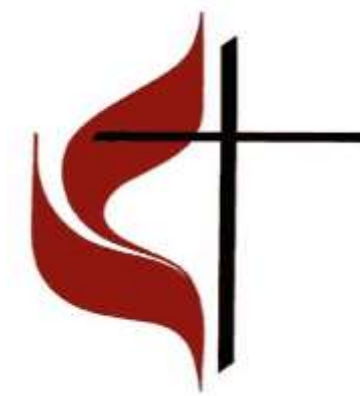
Bob Hix
 Tom Lowery Sr
 Richard Manning
 Bill Patton

Caregiver

Joy Fanelli
 Carolyn Hipp
 Ruth Hix
 Mary Jo Lowery
 Joan Stanhope

Death in Family

Family of Clifford
 Albert Padgett
 Family of George Stutz
 Family of Jeanne Munson
 Family of Jim Pinson
 Family of Larry Hulsey
 Family of Skylar
 Wornbough



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Sunday, November 17, 2024

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Zack Kepley.....Audio/Video Technician

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

The Liturgical Color is Green

The Prelude - “Great is Thy Faithfulness”
Prelude in C of J.S. Bach, arr by Mark Hayes

The Chiming of the Hour

Welcome, Announcements and Invocation

† **Choral Call to Worship** - “All Good Gifts”
by Stephen Schwartz

† **The Greeting** - 1 Samuel 1-2, Hebrews 10, Mark 13

Leader: We approach the God of grace and glory,

People: who has called us to worship this day.

Leader: We arrive from the chaos of our world

People: into the clarity of God’s presence.

Leader: We leave the struggles of our lives

People: to embrace the power of God’s love.

Leader: May this hour bring us courage

People: and a time to strengthen our faith.

† **The Hymn of Praise**

“O Day of God, Draw Nigh” UMH 730

† *Congregation standing as able*
UMH– United Methodist Hymnal
TFWS-The Faith We Sing

† **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.

Pastoral Prayer & Congregational Prayer

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**

“My Lord, What a Morning” UMH 719

The Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Pastor Mike

The Offertory Music: “The Prayer”

Scott Cruce & Tammy Giusto, Duet
by Foster, Bayer-Sager, Renis & Testa

†**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 “Sheaves for Jesus”

arr by Stanley W. Cowan

Mark 13: 1-4

The Destruction of the Temple and Signs of the End Times

13 As Jesus was leaving the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher! What massive stones! What magnificent buildings!”

² “Do you see all these great buildings?” replied Jesus. “Not one stone here will be left on another; every one will be thrown down.”

³ As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John and Andrew asked him privately,

⁴ “Tell us, when will these things happen? And what will be the sign that they are all about to be fulfilled?”

The Sermon: “A Question for Jesus” Pastor Mike

†**The Closing Hymn**
“How Firm a Foundation” UMH 529

During this time, the Pastor and Prayer Team are available at the altar for anyone desiring personal or corporate prayer.

†**The Benediction**

†**The Choral Benediction**
“Give Thanks” TFWS 2036

The Postlude
“Swing Low, Sweet Chariot” UMH 383
arr by Mary McDonald

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.