

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Mailing address: P.O. Box 1386 Fulton, KY 42041
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Rev. Nancy Johnston Varden, Pastor

The Visitor

Early Church – 8:45 a.m.
Sunday School – 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service – 10:50 a.m.

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April 7, 2017



Lynn Yates, Jamie Alexander, Stacey Homra, Krista Rezabek, Tom Kelly, Bonnie Jeffress, Phil Clifton, John Grant McConnell, the family of Philip Ray McConnell, Jim Paitsel, Michelle Richter, Lyda & Richard Rice, Sheila Ervin, Pastor & Church, Ronnie, Steve & Debbie Webb, Joe Smith, Jim Ketterman, Susan Parr, Kim Murray, Genese Long and family, Michelle Richter, Katelyn Cobb, 3-in-1 children, parents, volunteers, people on Spring Break, People without homes or shelter, Hailey Synder and baby, James Gray, Dwight & Shirley Martin, Debbie Wheeler Williams, Louise Mercer, Jean Voegeli, Erik Wilson, Miguel, Marta, John, Izora family, Kelly Johnson, family of Christine Barclay

SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS

Nursery

Apr 9 Sarah Glass
Apr 16 Beth Hancock
Apr 23 Donna Hacker
Apr 30 Mary Margaret Joyner

Children's Church

Apr 9 John & Katie Parr
Apr 16 Dave & Amy Barclay
Apr 23 John Lane & Jennifer McConnell
Apr 30 Nancy McConnell

Acolytes

Apr 9 Virginia Varden
Apr 16 Katie Barclay
Apr 23 Caroline Barclay
Apr 30 Avery Nanney

Wednesday Night Volunteer

Apr 12 Brenda Mahan
Apr 19 Julie Riddell
Apr 26 Linda Barclay

Wednesday Night Meals

Wednesday Night Fellowship Meals are well under way!
The meal begins at 5:30pm. Bible study for all ages follows the meal each week. The cost is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children, under age 4 is free. (\$20 cap for families)

The menu is:

April 12- Hamburger Steak, Baked Potato, Salad, Rolls, and Dessert
April 19- Tacos, Rice, Chips, and Salsa
April 26- Spaghetti & Meatballs, Salad, Garlic Bread, & Dessert

UMM

The next scheduled meeting is May 6th at 8:00 am.

UMW

The annual bake sale will be April 14th @ Heritage Bank starting at 9am. Please have your baked goods at the bank at 8:15am.

The UMW Night Circle in Monday at the home of Dorothy Bush at 6:30pm.
The UMW Day Circle will meet Wednesday in the home of Peggy Lohaus at 10:00 am.

UMYF

The UMYF has game night this Sunday at 5:00 pm!

Happy Birthday!

April

Sharon Newton	Natalie Stokes
Hannah Varden	Shirley Hawks
Janet Gossum	Linda Barclay
Lindsay Parnell	Zach Rickman
George Allen	Judy Jones
Brooke Kane	Macie Mullins
Pat Dunker	Mary Margaret Joyner
Tim Hacker	Ben Whitesell
Judy Andrews	Ty McConnell
Louise Mercer	Joyce Tibbs
Dan Voegeli	David Pirtle
Darlene Beadles	Terry Beadles
Adrienne Joyner	Johnny Jones, Jr.
Joan Homra	Chad Green
Mariam Varden	Elizabeth Pirtle



Memorial and Honorarium contributions of \$10 or more will go toward the Easter flowers for the Sanctuary. There will be forms in the bulletins to fill out and place in the offering plate along with your contribution. This is needed no later than April 12th. You may also bring your information to the office or mail to Fulton First UMC Box 1386, Fulton, KY 42041.

Reminder

You should have received a letter in the mail a couple of weeks ago regarding our youth ministry and the desire to contract with CYMT again for a youth director as Tori's time is drawing to a close with us. If you feel lead to contribute to this cause and have not turned your pledge in, please do so as soon as possible.

Items Needed

Rotation Station needs paper towel rolls. If you have any please donate them.

Holy Week

The office and the Willingham will be closed on Good Friday.

There will be a noon-day service each day next week. The speakers are as follows:

Monday- Tori Mick
 Tuesday- Amanda Crice
 Wednesday- Jessie Webb
 Thursday- Sky McCracken
 Friday- Stephen Caveness

There will be both service times on Palm Sunday and on Easter Sunday.

There will also be a special service on Thursday at 6:00 pm.

From the Pastor's Desk...

Holy Week begins now—Sunday as we process with our palms and give shouts of *Hosanna!* It is, as our own UM Website states, “the most intense week in the Christian year. It confronts us with the violence we inflict upon one another and our faithlessness toward God, juxtaposed dramatically against the love of God and the hope God’s kingdom offers our world.”

The drama of this week is the beauty of this week. But if we do not take time out or make places to observe this week in a special way we may miss it! We have services planned everyday this week—no excuses for not having something available to mark the days. I invite, encourage, and long to have each of you present for any or all of this week’s Holy Week Services:

Saturday, April 8, 10 a.m. *Easter Egg Hunt and Making the Palm Crosses.* Meet in Fellowship Hall ready to hunt with our little ones and learn how to make our crosses.

Sunday, April 9, 8:45 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. *Palm Sunday Worship in Sanctuary.*

Thursday, April 13 at 6:00 p.m. *Biblical Journey: From Table to Garden, from Cross to Tomb.* This intergenerational service will have us read, hear, and sing the Thursday and Friday of Holy Week. We begin the service in the Fellowship Hall for a light meal followed by Holy Communion. We will then journey to the garden, the cross, and end in the sanctuary with reflection on Christ in the tomb as we strip the altar.

Monday- Friday, April 10-14 at noon *Holy Week Community Services.* Guest preachers will lift up the scriptures as we pray and worship.

Sunday, April 16, 8:45 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. *Resurrection Sunday Celebration* in Sanctuary—come celebrate the day to end all days!

If you are unable to make it to service please find ways to read, prayer, and lift up each day in a special way. Here is a link to the Upper Room Website that has daily reflections and scripture readings to help you during this holiest of weeks.

Peace and Love in Christ (and see you this week),
 Pastor Nancy