

Sevierville First
United Methodist Church
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THE MESSENGER

October 1, 2020



**Confirmation - at 3:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 4**

**CONFIRMATION SUNDAY/
BAPTISM SERVICE**

Sunday, October 11

Thank You

We can't begin to tell you how grateful we are for the faithful support you have given us over the years, and especially this challenging year.

Because of your faithful donations, we will be able to not only supply toiletries bags to the teens of Scott County, but also new shoes for those in need.

And as always, your generosity will help us to feed these kids and their families through this winter season and allow us to provide Thanksgiving and Christmas special foods to brighten the holidays for these families.

You know we cannot do this without you. This is YOUR ministry and you have faithfully supported it with us! We are so grateful and we thank God for you every day for what you do for the kids of Scott County.

Thank you so much.

Love in Christ for Appalachian Relief Fund,

Mary Patterson and Pat Compton

Thank You

Our Staff would like to express how thankful we are to our church family for your abundant and generous giving for the last seven months.

Your faithful giving has allow us to continue our ministry at Sevierville First. We have been able to supply Sunday school materials, assistant the less fortunate in our community, maintain our current staff, record sermons weekly online and to officiate weddings and funerals in 2020.

We are glad our doors are now open and are excited to worship with you this Sunday.

Come as you are!

ATTENDANCE FOR SEPTEMBER

August 30, 2020	Worship: 88	
September 6, 2020	Worship: 91	
September 13, 2020	Worship: 60	
September 20, 2020	Worship: 161	Sunday School: 39
September 27, 2020	Worship: 143	Sunday School: 58



Church Phone Number: (865) 453-5754

Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



CHURCH STAFF

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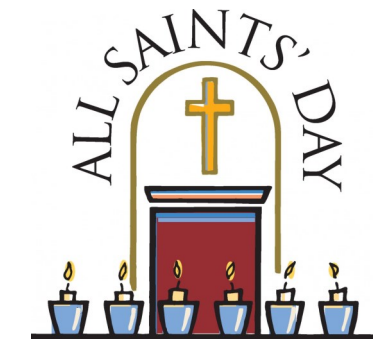
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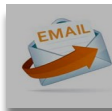
Building and Grounds: Steven Ryan

Housekeeping: Mary Patterson and Jose Ponce



**ALL SAINTS
SUNDAY
Sunday,
November
1 (all three
services)**

Please join us as we remember our church members that have passed away within the last year.



Would you like to help us save printing and mailing costs and start receiving The Messenger via e-mail? Please contact Rhonda Stearley at info@1stmethodist.com to be added to our list!

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OUR STEWARDSHIP THROUGH GIVING

BUDGET 2020: \$ 886,275.00

Balance January 1, 2020	90,104.75
Received 2020	561,910.88
PPP Funds	89,202.08
Total	<u>741,217.71</u>
Expenses 2020	554,946.74
Balance	186,270.97

BUILDING DEBT	221,912.92
Balance Jan. 1, 2020:	40,820.65
Received 2020	98,060.79
Total Building Fund	<u>138,881.44</u>
Expenses	94,765.94
Balance	44,115.50

I will be loyal to the United Methodist Church by my prayers, my presence, my gifts, my service and my witness.

Online Banking If you are interested in online banking please stop by the church office and pick up a form. If you have any questions please contact Rhonda at the church office 453-5754.

Online Giving Giving made easy go to:

1stmethodist.com. All donations go to Sevierville First United Methodist Church.

or

Holston Conference Local Church Giving Form go to <http://holston.org/church-offering>



Sunday, October 25, 2020 Is 4th Sunday School Missions

On this Sunday the money that is given during the Sunday School hour is used for Mission Projects!

Prayer Concerns

Martin McMahan	Loris Ogle	Joe Foisset
Cynthia Foisset	Lisa Melton	Yvonne Broyles
Brynlee Roy	Jan Lord	Imelda McVan
Doug Layman	Rodney Parsons	Deanna Elrod
Jeanne Rawlings	Andrew Spadafora	Evelyn Hass
Chad Huskey	Sylvia McCluney	Mary Alice Teague
Ruth Robertson	Linda Wolff	Kevin Flannery
Gary Green	Leslie Pedersen	Allen Wendt
Rev. Bill Akers	Richard Postlethwait	Willie Cate
John Parker	James "Eddie" Napier	Tina Farrar
Ron Free	Shirley Hatcher	Pete Ries
Eddie Lord	Susan Lord	Debbie Pope
David Clinton	Jack Williams	Barbara DiBenedetto
Andy Glass	Carole Yett	Rocky Clemons
Genevieve Muscarella	JoAnn Muscarella	
All our Armed Forces Personnel Police, Fire Fighters, and Rescue Squad		



Our Deepest Sympathy

We express our sincere Christian sympathy to:

Carol Herman and Family on the death of her mother
Myrna Thompson
who died on Thursday, September 3, 2020.

Mark Turner and Family on the death of his wife
Lisa Turner
who died on Friday, September 4, 2020.

Jennifer Clinton and Family on the death of her father
Neil M. Cubberley
who died on Sunday, September 6, 2020.

The Family of **Marilyn Uhrick**
who died on Wednesday, September 9, 2020.

The Family of **Bob Winkler**
who died on Monday, September 14, 2020.

Becky Brown and Family on the death of her father
Clyde Gremillion
who died on Sunday, September 20, 2020.

Connie Landrum and Family on the death of her mother
Ruth McDaniel Friday, September 18, 2020.

MEMORIAL & HONOR GIFTS August -30, 2020

Given to the Budget in Memory of **Mary C. Smith**
By The Good Fellowship Sunday School Class

Given to the Budget in Memory of **Scott Litton**
By Johnny and Mary Kate Guinn

September 6-20, 2020

Given to the Budget in Memory **Brent Collier**
By Mike and Mary Lee

Given to the Music Department in Memory of
Neil M. Cubberley
By Bill and Anne Holmes

Given to the Church Nursery in Memory of
Jamey LaFollette
By Bob and Sharon Koester

Given to the Building Fund in Memory of **Bob Winkler**
By Hurdle and Glenda Harris
Mell Trotter Sunday School Class
Sam and Ida May Spessard

**Memorials for September 27, 2020
Next Month's Messenger**

From The Pastor's Desk

Stewardship is...



Our Fall Stewardship Campaign is called, **Know Your Why**. To be a good steward we need to know our why. Why do we believe in Jesus? Why do we serve? Why do we Worship? Why do we pray? Why are we a witness for Jesus? Why do we give? When we know our why, it will give us greater joy and purpose when we serve, worship, pray and give. It is our love for Jesus and His church, and others that compels us to be good stewards.

You have been good stewards this year. Because of your faithfulness in giving we have continued the ministry though our doors were shut. In spite of being closed down for worship and Bible study, ministry continued in different ways. Sunday Schools met in people's homes and at various places around town. Some did zoom Bible studies. The youth met without the church providing the facilities, leadership, music or the messages. They provided their own leadership and did an amazing job. Kenny did zoom Bible studies with the youth and played video games with them online. Jeff and Paula recorded Children's Church videos each week. A sermon was posted online each week. We have conducted five funerals and three weddings. Though we were shut down the ministry did not completely stop. We have a wonderful Church and you have been very patient and faithful in your giving through these trying times we have been in. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Consecration Sunday is October 25. We will be making our financial faith commitment to God for 2021 on that Sunday. Letters with Faith commitment cards will be mailed. Please pray about what you believe God is calling you to do and come on October 25 ready to make a difference.

Pastor Jeff

Congratulations to:

Jordan and Amy Ward on the birth
of a daughter
Evelyn Ann Ward
born on Tuesday, March 17, 2020.



Daylight Savings Time Ends On Sunday Morning November 1

Therefore, you need to set your clocks back 1 hour before going to bed on Saturday night so you will be on time for Sunday School and Worship.

Elijah Project 2020

The Elijah Project sign-up for students will be on Google Forms this year. I will put the link on our Facebook page and on the Remind app. We started sign-ups on September 13th and now handing out information packets to the adults. If you would like to be an Elijah partner, please let me know at an in-person service or please call the church office to let us know. We will ask if you would like a boy or a girl and the student will be randomly drawn from a pool of names within the Youth. We will do everything in our power to make this a safe process and a successful one as well. Our Banquet will be scheduled for Sunday, December 6 at 6 pm. We will adjust the banquet as needed.

I look forward to working with you to inspire the next generation to follow the calling that Jesus has placed on their lives.

May God Bless You,
Kenny Tucker