



September 26, 2024

**Glorify God
By
Connecting People
With
Jesus Christ
Through
Spiritual Nourishment
And
Dynamic Outreach**



**FIRST UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH OF FRANKFORT**

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CAPITAL CITY METHODIST



Special Guest Preacher: Rev. Mary John Dye

10:00 am Worship in the sanctuary

11:30 am-1:00 pm Celebration featuring:

- Food hot off the grill (burgers, hot dogs, brats, corn on the cob)
- BEST Dessert Contest
- Games for all ages
- Social media photo spot
- Church Family and Friends Group Picture
- 18-foot Slide
- Live music
- Fun

**DUE TO THE WEATHER FORCAST
OUR CELEBRATION FOLLOWING WORSHIP
WILL BE IN THE WESLEY CENTER GYM.**

PLEASE NOTE: We are collecting **past programs and photos** for the Homecoming. If you have a picture of members who have died, we are also collecting them and will be remembering them as well. Please bring anything we can use for displays and posters. Collection boxes will be at the Welcome desk and Church Office.

Plan to come and please invite new friends and any church friends you haven't seen in a while.+

Sympathy

CONSTANCE (CONNIE) LOUISE WOOD passed away on September 6. You may send your condolences to her son, Clint Wood, 1013 Noelton Avenue, Nashville, TN 37204.

Our condolences to Jan Wright, Amy Norville, and Kate Higgs in the death of their mother, Joyce Wilson.

Musical Notes

Thank you for the warmest of welcomes! My first two months at FUMC Frankfort have been a whirlwind and a blessing. Never have I been involved with such a loving, welcoming church home - one that truly embodies Christ - in the ways that you all do. I feel so much a part of this church already thanks to your gracious and friendly spirits, and I cannot wait to have the chance to meet many new folks during the Homecoming Celebration this weekend. I'd also like to introduce our newest scholar singers (along with awesome returning tenor, Jake Ballard). They've already sung with Chancel Choir for a few weeks now and will be assisting with handbells and children's music in the coming months. Each student possesses great musicianship skills, a hungry spirit for learning and growing, and a servant's heart - which is why I specifically asked them if they'd be interested in serving here alongside me and all of you. I know you'll make them feel as welcome as you've made me. They are:

- **Abby Bauer** - junior choral music education major at UK from Lexington. I'm so excited and happy to be here at FUMC and already feel so welcome! I can't wait to meet everyone!
- **Will Darragh** - freshman double major in voice performance and chemical engineering at UK from Lexington. Will has attended church throughout his life and is happy to be a new member in the community of Christians at First United Methodist Church!
- **Mason Franklin** - junior choral music education major at UK from Lexington. Mason is excited to be a part of such a nice and welcoming church community.
- **Brianna Santiago-Kane** - junior choral music education major at UK from Pikeville. Brianna is a soprano and an active member of UK Opera Theatre. She has been enjoying her time at FUMC so far and is excited to work more closely with everyone!

Come sing with us!

*Blessings,
Beth*

Bible Study

Rev. Dr. Leanne Hadley continues to lead Bible Study on Thursday mornings at 10 am in the Susanna Room of the Wesley Center. They are studying "Reckless Love: Jesus' Call to Love Our Neighbor." This study for men and women. **Please note the change in the meeting place.**

Evening Bible Study?

Several people have requested a Bible study in the evening for people who cannot come in the daytime. Elly and John Gilbert have volunteered to lead one but we need to have a critical number to make it effective and sustaining. Are you interested? If so, please reach out to Leanne Hadley (719-930-3598) or talk to Elly and John to learn more!



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United Methodist Men will hold its second meeting of the season Monday, October 7, in Asbury Hall. The session will begin at 6pm with a delicious meal prepared by Karen and Roy Nance followed around 6:30 by our speaker, Betty Martin, co-founder and director of LIFE House for Animals. She will share the Franklin County organization's story – and her own – with us.

If you are a man of any age in the Methodist church, come join us and try out our mission-minded ministry. And bring a friend!

UMM: WE DO OUR THING SO YOU CAN DO YOUR THING!

United Methodist Men's Autumn Bible Study will begin Saturday, October 12, 10-11am in the Todd House. It will continue for five weeks on consecutive Saturdays taught by Rev. Jack Brewer and Jeff Howson. A topic has yet to be chosen.

If you are a man of any age in the Methodist Church, come join us for what should be a very rewarding study and wondrous reading adventure. And bring a friend!

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United Women in Faith sponsored a successful GAP celebration on August 27, with \$1200 in checks and gift cards raised. Thank you to all who participated.

We will be taking dinner to the KSU Wesley Foundation on Sunday evening, September 29. Anyone interested in going along should contact Arba Kenner, Kay Scott, or Donna Jackson.

Our group will be hosting the Conference UWFaith Annual Mission Celebration on October 29 starting with registration and light breakfast from 9 - 10 and ending with lunch around 12:30. We will probably be having an informal Bluegrass District meeting during lunch. There will be registration forms in the church office in the UWFaith box for anyone interested in attending.

We have had to make changes in our schedule for the remainder of the year. Our Soup for Souls fundraiser, originally scheduled for October 27, will now be held on November 10. Our annual Harvest Breakfast meeting has been moved from November 9 to November 16. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

Financial Update

Tithes and Offerings through August	\$494,527.20
Expenses through August	\$550,402.42
Needed for Budget through August	\$605,421.55
Mortgage Balance as of 8/31/24	\$1,054,898.02

First Church responded to the call, and we had an outstanding July and August. Thank you! We have reduced the amount we need to finish the year in the black by over half. However, we still have significant work to do. As you can see, we have still spent over \$55,000 more than we have received. Also, please be aware that by action of the Church Council, payment of apportionments and payments to budgeted Outreach line items other than GAP and our Honduras Medical and Dental Mission have been suspended since July. We hope to recover sufficiently in our giving to pay those commitments in full. The Finance Team and the church staff are working hard to reduce expenses. We pray for your continued faithfulness through your tithes and offerings.

Kenucky State University Wesley Foundation *by Jessica Neely*

Ministry in these days is hard especially when you are on the front lines!. The beginning of the semester is outreach season, which is full of events that allow us to connect with students. We cooked hotdogs on freshman move-in day, served snow cones at the Freshman carnival, manned a table at the organizational fair, provided inflatables and snow cones for another campus event, and hosted worship in the amphitheater with other campus ministries. We also had a water day and all-you-can-eat wings. It has been busy. Why do we do it? Because our goal during this season is to connect with students and invite them to be part of the Wesley Foundation. We have over 100 names of interested students from these events, and over 50 were in worship last week for our Sundaze weekly ministry.

God has been working through these events. In the amphitheater, 40-50 students came forward to rededicate their lives to Christ and for prayer. I talked with a guy who is a senior this year at KSU. This summer, he decided he wanted to change his life and come back to Jesus. He wants a Christian community and is coming each week. There is a girl from Louisville who wanted to come to college, but had only raised \$100 towards the \$250 housing deposit. We were able to connect her with resources. There was a guy who came to college without toothpaste, toothbrush, towels, or food who went without food for 24 hours, and we were able to feed him a meal. Last week there was a girl from Nigeria and another girl from the Bahamas who were in tears after worship because they were so homesick and desperate for Christian community. One of our student leaders had a psychotic break at the end of July, but he is doing better and telling other students about how Jesus worked in the midst of his mental health crisis. Another student leader returned to school to find out that she couldn't enroll, so Jessica took the girl home with her. These are the front lines. This is where ministry is challenging for us, but not for God. There is so much need and so few laborers.

We need you to partner with God and us on the front lines. We want you to be used by God to change lives. First, become a prayer partner. Jessica texts out prayer requests once a week, and you pray. It's simple. If you want to be a prayer partner, text Jessica at 239-246-6454 and say, "I want to be a prayer partner," and she will add you to our list. Also, would you be willing to cook a meal for a Sunday night or breakfast on Friday morning? Or would you be willing to mentor a student? Could you support us financially? Finally, would you be able to help us on work days with cleaning or repairs? If you want to be on the front lines of ministry and God's work, reach out to Jessica at 239-246-6454.



The Frankfort Frosty 5K and Fred & Me 143 Fun Run

*Benefits the 2025 Honduras Ecumenical Medical/Dental Mission Frankfort Clinic
and Water by Women*

Sunday, December 1, 2:00pm at Lakeview Park

There are opportunities to participate in the run and for corporate sponsors.

Forms are available at the entrance to the sanctuary and Asbury Hall.

Questions? Mary Ann Burch (502) 418-8915 or Debbie Brown (502)320-9168.

October Birthdays

1	Madeline Clements Graham MacDonald	12	Rosemary Center John Graves Madison Graves James Robb Marcia Woodyard Bryan Kendall Wayman	22	Annie Beck Marjorie Moore John Moreland Jimmy VanMeter
2	Mim Martin Fred Spencer			23	Kathryn McCrystal Brian Stafford Joe Whitt
3	Marcey Broderson David Lawhorn	13	John Covington John Heltzel		
4	Andrew Baker Amy Nance Snow Steph Sorrell Gary Wilkins	14	Lynn Grogan Shawn Foley	25	Sue Flener Morgan McDonald Valerie Smith Bill Ed Warman
		15	Glenda Lynn		
5	Elizabeth Friedly Ernst Melissa Hatchell Rebecca Lowe	16	Roe Rogers Andrea Southworth	26	Asher Scott
6	Debbie Briggs	17	Dara Bass Melba Leach Chris Powell	27	Hailey Chambers Audrey Gilbert David Herbert Henry Lawson David Vence Jamie Williams Randy Bryant
7	Rosie Doerting John Suter	18	Alex Sturm Patricia Perry		
9	Owen Clements Sherry Whitt	20	Brandon Hurley Cynthia Lowe	29	Natalie Hughes
10	Ryan Quarles Patti Sebastian	21	Christopher Collett Larry Epley Alex Hardison Madeline Stewart	30	David Coles Alex Whitt
11	Ethan Beward			31	Donnie Estill

Most Needed Items for GAP

Single Serving Size

- Peanut Butter
- Vienna Sausage
- Tuna
- Fruit Cups
- Pudding Cups
- Applesauce
- Cereal Bars
- Protein Bars
- Chips

- Snack Crackers
- Nuts
- Snack Cakes

Travel Size

- Shampoo
- Lotion
- Sunscreen
- Chapstick
- Soap
- Baby Wipes
- Hand Sanitizer
- Bottled Water

Personal Items

- Wash Rags
- Diapers
- Depends
- Feminine Hygiene Items
- Socks
- Underwear

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United Methodist Men



Saturday, October 5

8-11 am

Asbury Hall

Tickets available from church office, members and at door

Cost: Adults -\$4.50 in advance, \$5 at door; children \$2.50

Proceeds for charitable organizations.



Youth Happenings!

Sunday, September 29: Homecoming Sunday

10:00 am Combined Worship in the Sanctuary

11:00 am: We will help with games and sell "Be Kind First" Shirts and Fall Mums as a Fundraiser.

Sunday, October 6: Preparing the Halloween Bus!

5:00-7:00 pm Lighthouse

Sunday, October 13: Bonfire at Joe and Abbie Meyers' home!

4:30pm – 7:00pm

(Rain date is Sunday, October 27)