

**OUR STEWARDSHIP** . . October 8, 2017

Church Membership.....	651	Budget.....	613,000.00
Early Worship.....	34	Needed.....	483,326.86
Morning Worship.....	150	Needed each Sun....	11,788.47
Contemporary .....	38	Offering Sunday.....	12,585.00
Bible Study.....	45	To Date.....	441,172.33
Sunday School.....	115	Over/Under Budget..	(42,154.53)

**CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK**

Read Your Bible Daily

Wednesday, October 11                      Isaiah 37-38; Colossians 3

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Group
- 11:00 a.m. Backpacks of Hope: Pleasant Ridge MB Church
- 4 - 5 p.m. Children's After school Activities
- 5:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Supper: Mission Team
- 6:00 p.m. Bible Study & Prayer Meeting
- Youth Worship
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, October 12                      Isaiah 39-40; Colossians 4

Friday, October 13                      Isaiah 41-42; 1 Thessalonians 1

Saturday, October 14                      Isaiah 43-44; 1 Thessalonians 2

- 6:00 p.m. Pickett/Nowell Wedding

Sunday, October 15                      Isaiah 45-46; 1 Thessalonians 3

- 8:45 a.m. Early Worship: Moody's
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship: Moody's
- 3:30 p.m. Praise Band practice
- 4:00 p.m. *Multiply: Disciples Making Disciples*
- Handbells
- 5:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship (includes youth)
- Kids Connection Supper & Activities
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study
- Youth Supper & Activities
- 6:30 p.m. Jr. High Girls Small Group Bible Study

Monday, October 16                      Isaiah 47-49; 1 Thessalonians 4

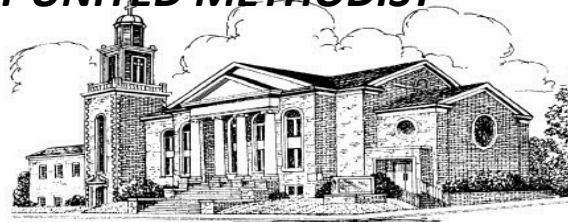
- 5:30 p.m. CPR Class

Tuesday, October 17                      Isaiah 50-52; 1 Thessalonians 5

- 10:30 a.m. Backpacks of Hope: Betheden Prayer Group

*It is your responsibility to notify the office of schedule changes.  
Monday noon is the deadline to get something in the newsletter.*

**Louisville**  
**FIRST UNITED METHODIST**



**"The Church in the Heart of the City  
With Christ's Mission at Heart"**

**SERVING SUNDAY, October 15, 2017**

**Ushers and Greeters:** Charles and Gerry Clark(Chmn.), Cliff and Ann Hudson, Richard Caperton, Brian and Jennifer Collier, Don and Jan Brantley, Rob and Melanie Yates, Barbara Kemp, Wade Baskin, Phillip Williams

**Altar Guild:** Laura Harris and Kristi Stapp

**Acolytes/Crossbearer:** Harper Jordan, Millie Kate Mercer, Sally Ann Harris

**Children's Time:** Curry Black

**Kid's Connection:** Taylor and Laura Harris

**Youth Supper:** Charlie and Shannon Smith

**Live broadcast** of the Morning Worship can be seen every Sunday on Channel 18 at 11:00 a.m. **Rebroadcast** of this service can be seen every Sunday at 7:30 p.m. and heard at 6:00 p.m. every Sunday on **WLSM-FM 107.1**. You can watch the **Live streaming** of the 11 a.m. service at **Louisville First United Methodist Church** on Facebook.

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**Facebook page:** Louisville First United Methodist Church

**FUMC Website:** www.lfumcms.org

**YouTube:** FUMC Louisville

**Remind:** Text @lfumc to 81010

**Other Websites of Interest:**

**Wesleyan Covenant Association:** wesleyancovenant.org

**Confessing Movement:** www.confessingumc.org

**MS Annual Conference:** www.mississippiumc.org

**UMC:** www.umc.org



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## EYES ON GOD

The move to our new home was very stressful on our puppy. As we sold our furniture and boxed up our belongings, he became increasingly anxious. When the big day came and the truck was packed, we took one last walk through the empty house. Unable to comprehend what was happening, our anxious dog stayed right at our feet. He could make no sense of his circumstances but trusted us to take care of him. During that traumatic time, he never let us out of his sight.

That reminds me of King Jehoshaphat's prayer when a mighty enemy advanced against him and the situation was desperate. Jehoshaphat prayed, "We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you" (2 Chronicles 20:12, NRSV). God came through for his people that day, and he'll come through for us, too, when all seems lost. Just stick close and keep your eyes on him.

—Kari Myers

## A CALL TO SERVE

Ruth M. Walsh wrote: "I was naked, and you questioned my lack of modesty in my appearance. I was imprisoned, and you debated the legal aspects of interference. I was penniless, and you discussed tax-deductible donations from your wealth. I was sick, and you thanked the Lord for the blessings of your health. I was hungry, and you formed a committee to study malnutrition. I was homeless, and you said God's love was shelter under any condition. I was lonely, and you left me by myself while you and your friends prayed. You seem so holy and close to God, yet I'm still sick and alone and afraid!"

By contrast, in the parable of the sheep and the goats, Jesus says, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me" (Matthew 25:40, NRSV). When we fail to serve our neighbors, we fail to serve Jesus. Yet when we feed the hungry, we're actually feeding Jesus. When we visit the sick, we're actually visiting Jesus. And when we love one another, we're actually loving Jesus.

## SYMPATHY

Our Christian love and sympathy go out to **Johnny Crowell and family** at the death of his sister **Louise Cravens**. Funeral services were held for Mrs. Cravens on Tuesday. Keep this family in your prayers during this difficult time of loss.

## BACKPACKS OF HOPE

October is **Pudding Cup** Month. A donation box is in Friendship Hall. **Pleasant Ridge UMC** will be packing the food bags this week at 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, and Betheden Prayer group the following Tuesday at 10:30 a.m.

## THE MOODY'S

Todd and Katie Moody and family will be with us next Sunday morning, October 15, to share about Jeremiah House and their ministry in Honduras.

## KIDS CONNECTION

Parents, the children have begun work on their Christmas program. Please make sure they are at as many of the Sunday night and Wednesday night activities as possible! Thanks.

## WEDDING

*Susan Hathorn and Mike Pickett and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nowell invite you to attend the wedding of their children Britni Alexa Pickett and Lucas Bradly Nowell on October 14, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. at the home of the groom's parents at 2209 Calhoun Road, Louisville, Mississippi, and the reception immediately following.*

## CPR CLASS

A CPR Class is being offered at First Methodist on Monday, October 16, at 5:30 p.m. The cost of the course is \$15. If you would like to participate, please let Renee Morgan (662.803.4198) know ASAP.

## YOUTH FUNDRAISER LUNCH

Our youth will be cooking lunch for us on Sunday, October 22, as this first fundraiser for their next youth trip. Please make your plans to stay and eat with them. Watch for details.

## YOUTH SUPPER FOR OCTOBER

15 – Charlie & Shannon Smith

22 – Stephen & Lori Black

29 – Leslie Boatner

## CLUSTER CHARGE CONFERENCE

The Cluster Charge Conference is scheduled for Tuesday, October 24, at 6:30 p.m. here at First Methodist. This will be a special service where all the county churches come together to worship.

## TRUNK OR TREAT

Trunk Or Treat is scheduled for Wednesday, October 25, beginning at 6 p.m. If you would be willing to decorate your car and give out treats, please let Carol Clark know. If you can donate a bag or two of candy, please bring them to the church office.

Our youth will be selling hamburgers and hotdogs that night for supper.

## DRIVE THRU PRAYER

Drive Thru Prayer is back. Friday, October 27, from 7-9. Be there at 6:45. If you would like to participate in this event there are several ways. First: come! You can hold a sign, pray with people driving through, or simply pray for cars driving by our church. Second: pray in your home or at work during this time. So important for this event to be covered in prayer. Third: start praying now that lives will be changed and people in our community will see Jesus' love for them through these prayers, whether they drive thru or simply see people in prayer. Contact Don Dickerson or Melanie Yates and let us know if you can come or if you have any questions!