

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Gather

Nominations for 2027
Believe it or not, it's time to start selecting our **Leadership for 2027** and beyond! If you are interested in nominating a church member for a leadership position, or you are interested in nominated yourself, please fill out the appropriate form available online or in printed version in the Narthex and church office. **Please complete forms by next Sunday, August 2nd.**

Body & Soul Bike Ride
Join us on **Friday, August 7th** for a Senoia UMC bike ride! We will cruise on the Man O War trail that runs from Pine Mountain to Hamilton. This fun ride will accommodate all riders, no drops! Afterwards, we will have brunch at one of Pine Mountain's delightful restaurants. **Meet at the church parking lot at 7:00 am.** Text or call Maurice Ungaro at (678) 221-8410 to RSVP. If there is a rain delay or cancellation, you will be notified.

Ellis Crook Memorial Highway Dedication
Those who knew Mr. Ellis know that he firmly believed all roads lead to Senoia. Fittingly, a portion of Highway 16 is being named *The Ellis Crook Memorial Highway*, starting at Crook's Marketplace and continuing to the roundabout at Turin. You are invited to attend the dedication ceremony on **Tuesday, July 28th at 10:00 am in the parking lot of Crook's Markeplace**, Ellis's beloved store.

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Men's Prayer Group
This group meets **Monday mornings at 7:00 am in the Fellowship Hall**. Sam Sweat leads the group as they inspire, share and support one another. All men of the church are welcome!

JOY Sunday School Class
The JOY Sunday School class meets each week at 10:00 am just off the Narthex at the front of the church. Kemp Wright is starting a new study on grace and hope in the UMC this week, and invites all adults to join in.

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Red Cross Blood Drive
A Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for **Monday, August 3rd from 1:00-6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall**. Donors who participate will be eligible to receive a \$20 Amazon gift card! Come enjoy a "famous" grilled cheese sandwich. Sign up online or call the Red Cross at **1 (800) RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767)**.

Back to School Haircuts
Senoia UMC is partnering with Red Dahlia Salon to provide **FREE** haircuts for kids before back to school. **YOU** can help us hand out water to waiting families, support the hairstylists with our thanks, and drop off any new (travel or full size) shampoos, conditioners, or hygiene items for goody bags for the kids. **Join us TODAY from 12:30-2:30pm or 2:30-4:30 pm at Red Dahlia.**

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Our church office is open Tuesday through Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. Pastor Julie is available on Mondays by appointment. She takes her sabbath on Fridays and is unavailable unless there is a pastoral emergency.

ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday 7/26 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Sunday Worship 1:00 pm Hair Cuts at Red Dahlia	Thursday 7/30 7:00 pm AA Friday 7/31 6:30 pm NA
Monday 7/27 7:00 am Men's Prayer Group 6:30 pm Rotary Club	Next Sunday 8/2 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Sunday Worship 4:00 pm Movie Night
Tuesday 7/28 10:00 am Ellis Crook Memorial Highway Dedication	

Those Assisting in Worship Today
Acolyte: Luke Tobleman
Ushers: Rod & Judith Glover
Reader: Alice Walker
Counters: Jean Cotton & Jeff Miller
Greeters: Mary & Dub Pearman

Those Assisting in Worship Next Sunday - 8/2
Acolyte: Aurelia Meares
Ushers: Bob Tinsley & Leigh Morgan
Reader: Katrina Purugulla
Communion Set Up: Sam Geoffrion & Mary Kay Jowers
Communion Server: Carlotta Ungaro
Counters: Jean Cotton & Mark Edwards
Greeters: Vijay Purugulla & Dick Sutton

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WORSHIP

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Greeting Dr. Julie Schendel, Pastor

Chiming of the Hour Nancy Lewis, Organist/Pianist

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

*Call to Worship Dr. Schendel

We’ve gathered together in the presence of God
to offer our praise and our prayers.

We come before God with confidence, knowing that
even when we can’t find the words,

God’s own Spirit is right here with us, praying in us and for us,
giving shape to our wordless hopes and longings, and pleading
for us before the throne of grace.

So let’s come with joy to offer our worship
to God who knows and loves us all. Amen.

*Hymn Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah UMH 127

*Affirmation of Faith Affirmation from I Corinthians and Colossians

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which
we are saved: Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day,
and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to
many faithful witnesses. We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of
God, the firstborn of all creation, the firstborn from the dead, in whom all
things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the
power of the Spirit. Christ is the head of the body the church, and by the blood
of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen.

*The Gloria Patri UMH 71

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.

Meditation Kum Ba Yah Organ/Congregation
(The congregation is invited to sing.)

Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah.
Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah.
Kum ba yah, my Lord, kum ba yah.
Oh, Lord, kum ba yah!

Someone’s praying, Lord, kum ba yah.
Someone’s praying, Lord, kum ba yah.
Someone’s praying, Lord, kum ba yah.
Oh, Lord, kum ba yah!

WE GROW THROUGH THE SPOKEN WORD

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer Dr. Schendel

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.

Congregational Response TFWS 2205

Lord, may our prayer rise like incense in your sight,
May this place be filled with the fragrance of Christ. Amen.

*Hymn Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart UMH 500, V1, 4 & 5

Worship with Tithes and Offerings The People

*Presentation and Doxology UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Scripture Reading Luke 11:1-4; Alice Walker, Reader
Romans 8:26-27

Response to the Word

Reader: The Word of God, for us, the People of God.
Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon The Marks of a United Methodist: Dr. Schendel
Praying Constantly

*Closing Hymn The Lord’s Prayer
Our Father, which 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 debts
as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory forever. Amen. Amen.

WE GO TO SERVE

*Benediction Dr. Schendel

*Responsive Affirmation
Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.
May God’s full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

WELCOME TO SENOIA UMC

We welcome you to Senoia United Methodist Church. If you are a guest with
us today for the first time please let the usher know so you can be given a
welcome gift. Please complete the yellow Guest Card found in your pew and
place it in the offering plate. A nursery for children birth to under 4 years old
is available. Please see an usher for assistance. Restrooms can be reached
through the rear sanctuary door by the organ. An accessible restroom is in
the hall and additional ones are in the Fellowship Hall.

BY OUR PRAYERS...

Prayers & Praises: For all teachers and school staff preparing for a new
year.

You can make your prayer requests (including updates or to remove a request)
by either email or calling the church office.

AUGUST SERMON SERIES:
SHEEP TALES

To kick off our next sermon series "Sheep Tales," we're hosting a movie
night to watch *The Sheep Detectives* on Sunday, August 2nd at 4:00 pm in the
Fellowship Hall. Join us for a fun movie night as we look for clues finding
references to the Good Shepherd in this fun family film.

*Those who are able please stand. UMH (United Methodist Hymnal)
TFWS (The Faith We Sing)
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Call to worship based on Romans 8:26-27, *The Message*.
The candle on the altar table is lit in memory of those who have died
due to gun violence and in awareness of this ongoing tragedy.