CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, JUNE 21
8:00 - 12:00 PM  Church Office Hours
SUNDAY, JUNE 22
Nursery is available from 9:00 am till 11:30 am
9:15 AM  SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES
  Clegg/Open Door - Parlor—led by David Cole, Billie Dadgar, Roger Guevara
  Explorers/Morning Star -Upstairs—Scott Nipper/Dan Grantham
  Children Sunday School - Preschool - 5th Grade
  Upstairs in Treehouse—led by Shelly Burgess/Diana Courson
  Jr. High and High School—Basement—led by Gary Herron
9:15 AM  Young Adult Sunday School—Pastor’s Home
10:15 AM  SANCTUARY WORSHIP
   Ways to attend: In-Person, Facebook Live, Recording (posted later) on Website, YouTube
6:00 PM  ROUND ROBIN SUMMER SERVICE
LIGHT DINNER TO FOLLOW (AVERITT)

MONDAY, JUNE 23
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  Church Office Hours
4:00 PM  STEWPOT

TUESDAY, JUNE 24
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  Church Office Hours
4:00 PM  STEWPOT

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25
5:00 AM - 4:00 PM  Church Office Hours

THURSDAY, JUNE 26
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  Church Office Hours
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM  THE CARING PLACE
4:00 PM  STEWPOT

A Record of Our Faithfulness

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ANNUAL CONFERENCE
June 19-21, 2024
Hot Springs Convention Center

United Methodists of Arkansas
First United Methodist Church
320 West Main
Magnolia, AR  71753

How to Reach Us:
Church Office Hours
Monday—Thursday
8:00—4:00
Friday 8:00—Noon
870-234-4530

Our Staff:
Reverend Kenny Lee
Shelly Burgess, Children & Families;
Tracie Nipper, Administrative Secretary;
Dr. Kim Shirey, Director of Music;
Sharon Ard, Organist;
Shawn Warlick, Building Supervisor;
Kenneth Manning, Custodian
Latrina Wyrick, Interim Director, Child Development Center
Barbara Lewis, Director, The Caring Place
Stephen and Dioneida Biddle, Stewpot Cooks
Burlene Easter, Kathy Easter & Kim Easter, nursery attendants

Join us on Sunday, June 23 for the South Arkansas UMC Summer Round Robin Service here at FUMC beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Following the service there will be a light dinner in Averitt Hall.

THE VISITOR
First United Methodist Church
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To invite all to know the love of God, to share grace, and to develop relationships
June 19, 2024

REV. DAVIDA “DEEDEE” AUTRY
Rev. Davida “DeeDee” Autry, appointed as South District Superintendent of the Arkansas Conference

Bishop Laura Merrill has announced her intention to appoint Rev. Davida “DeeDee” M. Autry as Superintendent of the proposed South District of the Arkansas Conference beginning July 1, 2024. Autry is currently serving as executive pastor of First United Methodist Church in Fort Smith.

Rev. Autry has served as full-time clergy in the Arkansas Conference since 1992 and was ordained an elder in 1995. She has been a member of the Board of Ordained Ministry for 12 years and has served as dean of the Local Pastor Licensing School. Her education includes a BA in Religion, Philosophy, and Christian Education from the University of the Ozarks in Clarksville, AR, and a Master of Divinity from Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN. Autry also earned a Certified Credential from the International Coaching Federation as a Professional Certified Coach.

Rev. Autry is married to John Autry, and they have two daughters, Emily Grace and Mary Elizabeth. She enjoys traveling, spending time with her family and friends, cooking, entertaining, and listening to live music. She and John are avid Razorback sports fans.

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South Arkansas UMC Summer Round Robin Series

June 16th  FUMC-Smackover  Rev. Crum
June 23rd  FUMC-Magnolia  Rev. Grigsby
June 30th  FUMC-Hampton  Rev. Lee
July 7th   FUMC- El Dorado  Rev. Roark
July 14th  FUMC - Thornton  Rev. Smith
July 21st  FUMC - Camden  Rev. Sneed
July 28th  FUMC - Norphlet  Rev. Waldrup

Services start at 6:00pm followed by fellowship
A little song and dance…

Penny and the kids did a fantastic job choosing gifts for Father’s Day this year. Honestly, I can’t imagine what I did to deserve such generosity. Dad now has a new gasoline leaf blower, a couple of new shirts, a gift card to Khakis on the Square, and one of the finest lawn chairs I’ve ever owned.

Monday morning, I awoke early and began my morning routine. One of my most important chores is to let the dogs outside, ensuring they do not wake Penny up if possible. When we went outside, it was such an incredibly lovely morning; I simply had to spend a few minutes in the new Father’s Day chair. I sat down in its ventilated suspended seat and reclined for a while.

There are several mating pairs of mockingbirds in our backyard. They each sang their particular song from a prominent perch. Occasionally, one threw in a little dance jig, adding display flair to accentuate the intricate calls.

Then, the squirrels caught my eye. Three of them played with abandon in the oak tree overhead. They swirled around the trunk in a high-speed conga line of sorts. The display included an acrobatic maneuver I’ve never witnessed, inverted climbing. I’m not talking about hiding by going under the limb. I’m talking about a full-scale assault on the forces of gravity. Watching them play with sheer abandon and exuberance was a pure joy.

Sometimes, when we least expect it, God shows up unexpectedly, revealing God's fingerprints as sure as we are image bearers of God in this world.

This morning was as everything in all creation, or at least the part of it in my backyard, offered up songs of praise and expressed the joy of a new day.

Day after day, they pour forth speech; night after night, they reveal knowledge. They have no speech; they use no words; no sound is heard from them. Yet their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.

Humanity is more than merely a steward of the gifts and bounty of the cosmos. We are also meant to respect and work with nature because we are interconnected within the web of life on this planet. Sing when you don’t know the words, and dance when you don’t know the steps. On this particular Monday morning, God offered an opportunity for me to join my heart in the joyful, exuberant song and dance of creation.

Praise the Lord. Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of his faithful people. Let them praise his name with dancing and make music to him with timbrel and harp. Psalm 149:1, 3

Pastor Kenny