



First United Methodist Church

# *Methodist Outreach*

*"We're Saving a Seat for You!"*

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## August 2018

We have been really busy for the last two years. We have accomplished things most would not believe were they not here to see it happen. I am proud as the pastor of this congregation with how quickly we have transitioned from one project to the next. This is important because we still have projects before us. We will tackle them one at a time and complete what we can as we can. This entire congregation should be proud of how we have changed the look and energy of Coweta FUMC. Even as I talk about how much we have accomplished, I want to be absolutely sure we do not lose our focus.

No matter how many projects we complete, our primary goal is to grow the Kingdom of God. As United Methodists, we say we are "to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world." (Book of Discipline, 120). This for me is two-fold: first we are called to share the Good News of Jesus. I have been excited to hear people talk about inviting new neighbors to come to church. People have spoken about being asked to come to church or come back to church by members of this congregation. Remember, people come to church to be part of the body of believers and nothing is more effective than personal invitations by the body.

Second, we are called to increase our own discipleship by living into the Sanctifying Grace that God shares with us. John Wesley believed that we could move toward living in Christian Perfection. This was not some silly attempt to be blameless like Jesus, but to have our entire heart and mind focused on the love of God. Sanctifying Grace is most evident in our participation in prayer, study, and worship. God is not looking for some special attendance goal, God is looking for people who have a passion for their Lord. God longs for the change in our heart that sends us looking for our Savior, Jesus.

As we go forward as a church and congregation remember that we are God's agents to a broken and hurting world. If you have been inviting people, continue. If you have not been inviting people, start. Look for new opportunities to deepen your faith. All the while, spend more time in prayer, study, and worship so you can grow in Sanctifying Grace toward your own Christian Perfection

Grace and Peace

*Pastor John*

## ***August Worship Calendar***

**August 5**

Ephesians 4:7-16

*"Grace according to the measure of  
Christ's gift"*

**August 12**

Ephesians 4:25-5:2

*"Be imitators of God"*

**August 19**

Psalms 111

*"The beginning of wisdom"*

**August 26**

Ephesians 6:10-20

*"Pray in the Spirit"*

## ***IT'S A NEW MONTH***

Be sure to continue your visits with your neighbors this month and pick up their pledged canned goods for CARD/Grace Center. Let Pastor John know if you have any questions.



Sunday after church

Lunch Adventure

Sunday, August 26



2nd Saturday Street Market

8:00 - Noon

August 11

# August

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**Sun**

**Mon**

**Tue**

**Wed**

**Thu**

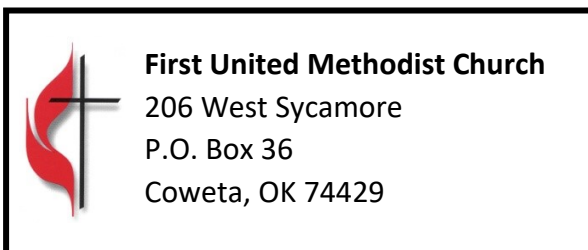
**Fri**

**Sat**

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|                                                                                                                              |                                              |    | 1  | 2                                                        | 3  | 4<br>Men's<br>breakfast<br>8:00 am                 |
| 5<br>9:45 Sunday<br>School<br>10:45 Worship<br><br>Methodist 101<br>6:30 pm                                                  | 6<br>Chime Bell<br>practice<br>5:30-6:30 pm  | 7  | 8  | 9                                                        | 10 | 11<br>2nd Saturday<br>Street Market<br>8:00 - Noon |
| 12<br>9:45 Sunday<br>School<br>10:45 Worship<br>12:00 Potluck<br>12:45 Church<br>Council Meeting<br>Methodist 101<br>6:30 pm | 13<br>Chime Bell<br>practice<br>5:30-6:30 pm | 14 | 15 | 16                                                       | 17 | 18                                                 |
| 19<br>9:45 Sunday<br>School<br>10:45 Worship<br>Methodist 101<br>6:30 pm                                                     | 20<br>Chime Bell<br>practice<br>5:30-6:30 pm | 21 | 22 | 23<br>Women<br>working on<br>retreat project<br>10:00 am | 24 | 25                                                 |
| 26<br>9:45 Sunday<br>School<br>10:45 Worship<br>Lunch<br>Adventure TBA                                                       | 27<br>Chime Bell<br>practice<br>5:30-6:30 pm | 28 | 29 | 30                                                       | 31 |                                                    |



SAVE THE DATE - Men's retreat at  
Camp Egan September 7-9



**Sunday Service Times:**

Sunday School *(for all ages)* – 9:45

Worship – 10:45

**AUGUST NEWSLETTER**

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