



THE CHIMES

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THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ELIZABETHTON, TN



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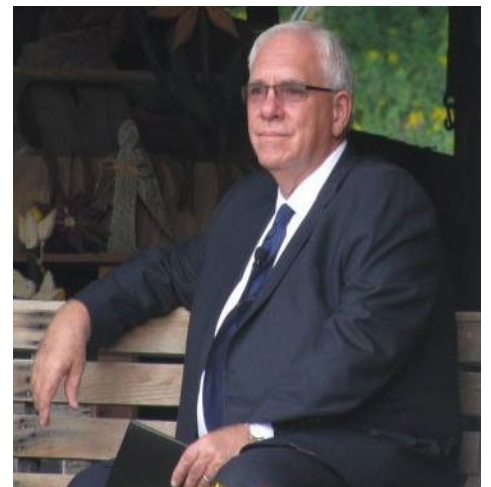
Jesus prayed for all who would follow Him because Christian living is often accompanied by struggles and tears. Anyone who knows anything about taking up a cross understands that there is nothing easy about it. We also know that it is only a three day problem. The resurrection of Christ has put an eternal glow back into life.

Jesus prayed, ***"I'm not asking you to take them out of the world but to protect them from evil"*** (John 17:15).

The challenge is to live in this society and become less like it while at the same time we become more like a citizen of Heaven. We must learn not to become cynical in a sinful world, but to look for the beautiful, the true and good. There is far too much negativity in this world. We easily become what we think so why not think about this: "I am a child of God!"

A man said, *"I never get a break; nothing good ever comes my way."* He was busy trying to pump blessings out of this world (and it wasn't working). If only he would have stood downstream of God's love. The river of grace flows freely from the throne of God bringing many blessings with it. The Psalmist wrote that the people are happy who do not take the path that sinners tread. "They are like trees planted by streams of water...In all that they do, they prosper." Sure we have our troubles in this life, but we have our rewards too.

Grace and Peace,
Rev Ray



1st....Victoria Hughes Beall, Kit Crawford
 2nd...Sage Geagley
 3rd....Betsy Geagley
 4th....Allie Birchfield Gillenwater
 5th....John Holland, Annie Light
 6th....Porter Dillow, Lindsey Wortman, Ruth Bowers
 7th....Jack Young
 8th....Jill Bremer
 9th....Will Schaff, Christopher Dunbar
 12th..Caroline Bentley
 16th..Ken Tester
 18th..Betty Bowers
 19th..Lanelle Crockett, Craig Jones
 20th..Jama Frazier, Zach Pierce
 22nd..John Schaff, Joanne Blair
 23rd..Hannah Parlier
 25th...Karsen Carroll
 26th..Piper Kate Bennett
 27th..Connie McCall, Scotty Bunton, Mary Johnson
 28th..Gary Burkette
 29th..Sarah McNabb
 30th..Bill Gentry, Emily McNabb
 31st...Susan Hathaway, Jean Forinash



**Please advise Robin in the Church Office of additions or corrections*

Chloe Crockett
Baptized
September 6, 2020



In Memory

Donations to the church have been received in Memory of:

Mary Sharp

General Memorial Fund by: John & Julia Seward

Building Fund by: Jean Madgett

General Memorial Fund by: Johnny & Rose Parker

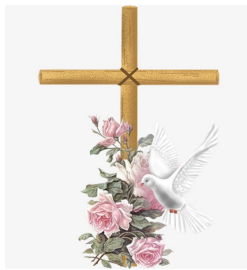
General Memorial Fund by: Bill & Catherine Armstrong

General Memorial Fund by: Darlene LaPorte

Building Fund by: Maryetta Elliott

Building Fund by: Gayle & Jobelle Hood

Worship Fund by: Dona Dvorak



Donations to the church have been received in Memory of:

Ron Laws by: Jerry & Sherry Freeman (Building Fund)

Richard & Colleen Haag by: Teresa & David Pinckard (Building Fund)

Richard & Colleen Haag by: Teresa & David Pinckard (Memory Garden)

Richard & Colleen Haag by: Teresa & David Pinckard (Isaiah 117 House)

Ron Laws by: Steve & Carole Hayes (Music Ministry Fund)

The women of FUMC are invited to contribute bras to *The River* for their “Over the Shoulder Boulder Holder” event. If you have been cleaning out drawers and closets and found gently used bras to donate to this worthy cause, please bring them to the workroom at the church. If you prefer to buy new bras, that’s fine as well. You might remember that larger sizes are always welcome, but we’ll take whatever we collect to *The River* at the **end of September** for use in October.

Thank you in advance for your participation.

Dona Dvorak



United
Methodist
Women

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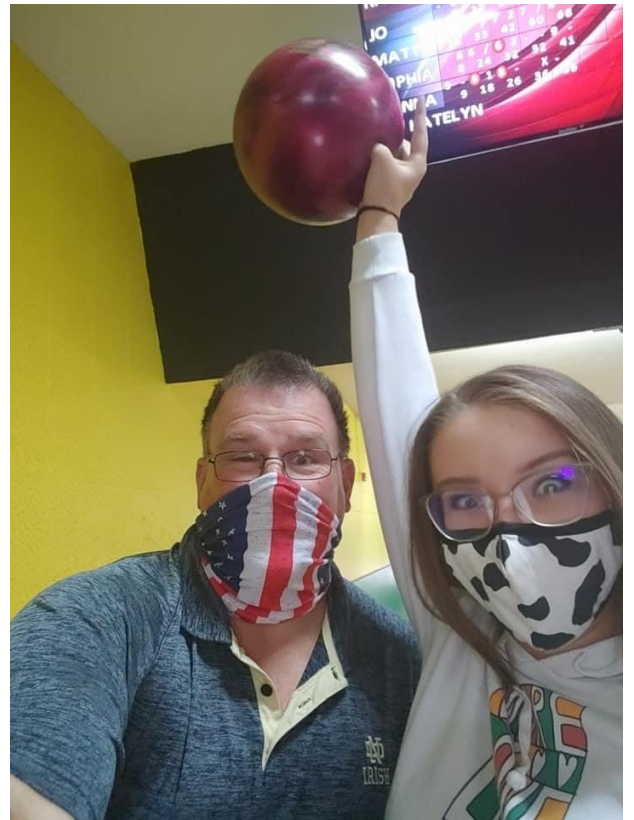


Photos courtesy
of
Jean Madgett



Ida & Ada celebrated their birthday
on September 11th.

Happiest of birthday wishes ladies!





Regular Weekly Schedule

Sunday Worship	9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
Sunday School	On hold due to COVID-19
Sunday Night 4:12 Jr. High	On hold due to COVID-19
Sunday Night 4:12 Sr. High	On hold due to COVID-19
Wednesday Coolagers	On hold due to COVID-19
Wednesday Life Lessons	Online at 7:00 PM
Wednesday Choir Practice	On hold due to COVID-19

The calendar is subject to change as we resume normal activities

October 2020

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

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4 Worship 9 & 11 AM	5	6 Terri Parker's <u>Zoom Bible Study</u> 10:00 AM—Noon 6:00 PM—8:00 PM	7 Life Lessons 7:00 PM Online	8	9	10
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OCTOBER MISSION OF THE MONTH



Assistance and Resources Ministries mission is to identify and secure the necessary human, financial, and material resources required to efficiently and fairly provide basic emergency necessities to those in need throughout Carter County. A.R.M. provides information regarding the short-term needs present within our community to secure resources locally and collaborates with outside entities to obtain funding and resources through grants and awards. A.R.M. has distributed each week to the housing projects--200 lunch snack bags with extras on Friday such as cereal for the weekend with drinks. Also, 400 drinks are distributed each week. There are 300 children's snack bags given out each month with regular boxes.

A.R.M. currently provides services to 700-930 persons each month by providing assistance with:

FOOD, CLOTHING, REFERRALS TO OTHER AGENCIES, VOUCHERS FOR SCHOOL SUPPLIES, SHOES, COATS; HYGIENE SUPPLIES, NON-FOOD ITEMS AS AVAILABLE, LINENS, CURTAINS, AND HOUSEHOLD ITEMS; THANKSGIVING BOXES.

Assistance and Resources Ministries is located at 714 West C Street in Elizabethton, Tennessee. Their building is behind the Ingles shopping center, next to Carter County Bank.

OFFERING COUNTERS

September 28th	Susan Heaton
October 5th	Jean Madgett
October 13th	Dona Dvorak
October 19th	Jobelle Hood
October 26th	Jean Forinash



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