

All Church Announcements

KICK OFF WEEK CONTINUES

There is lots of excitement as we KICKOFF INTO THE FALL. We hope you are all participating in the All-Church VIRTUAL SCAVENGER HUNT (participants get free lunch on Sunday September 20th), and we look forward to seeing you at our DRIVE-IN MOVIE Saturday, September 19th at 7:00pm- we will be showing the Disney/Pixar movie ONWARD. More information can be found in the newsletter and on the [website](#).

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE -DEVOTIONAL

We had a wonderful 115 people at our last Worship on Wheels! Please join us for our Wednesday Night Live devotion via ZOOM 6:00-6:30 p.m. We will email the ZOOM link each Tuesday. You can also find our Devotional on our [Facebook page](#)!

WORSHIP ON WHEELS- W.O.W.

Join us for our next WORSHIP ON WHEELS ON Wednesday, September 23rd, at 6:00 p.m. Listen and watch our wonderful service while in the safety of your vehicle. You can also order a take-out dinner to have ready when you drive in- please see the announcement below!

WNL IS BACK...BUT A BIT DIFFERENT

We will be back on Wednesday, September 23rd to serve you DRIVE-THRU STYLE MEALS before the Worship on Wheels Devotion! We will need to take all orders in advance, so please call the office to sign up by Sunday, September 20th. We will be serving a meal to-go that will include a sandwich, pasta salad, cut veggies, bag of chips, cookie, and a bottle of water. The cost of the meals is \$5/each or \$12/family (up to 4 family members). WNL looks forward to providing you with a meal and a smile.

IN-PERSON CHURCH

Every Sunday at 9:00am (except when we have a Worship on Wheels, next one is October 4th at 10am!). Service length is about 35-ish minutes. We sit 6ft apart and wear masks. We sing, we pray, we spend time with God and each other. Please register [online](#) or call the church office by Thursdays noon to register.

WORSHIP WITH US ONLINE

Worship with us each weekend. Find our weekly church service on our [website](#) every week by Saturday afternoon.

BLESSING BOX

Our Blessing Box is located by the portico doors. If you would like to donate, please contact Amy@appfumc.org in the church office and we will arrange for you to bring items in.

SCRIP

Whatever you need to purchase, Scrip is here for you! We have gift cards in stock ready for you to swing by and pick up. Call the Church office to place your order.

GIFT OF PRAYER

Thank you for all those who have signed up to pray for our church during this time of uncertainty. It is greatly appreciated! We ask for your continued support. If you are interested, please sign up under Gift of Prayer for Our

Church at www.appfumc.org. It is located on the homepage above Stay Connected With Us. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Allison Schottmuller at aschottmuller@new.rr.com or (920) 450-4387.

MUSIC MINISTRY FALL KICK OFF

The Music Ministry is excited to jump into fall and offer WEDNESDAY NIGHT MUSIC STUDY AND HYMN SING! Each Wednesday, starting at 7:00 p.m., all members of our church are invited to join this session via ZOOM. We will dive in and discuss a piece of music each week and how it ministers to us, our community, and/or our world and attempt to sing through our *Methodist Hymnal* and *The Faith We Sing*. It may not be our traditional choir rehearsal but it's the best thing we can do to make music with our music community! If you have any questions, please reach out to PJ pjuhazie@appfumc.org.

MISSION OF THE MONTH

September's Mission of the Month is collecting hygiene supplies for our Congolese Congregation friends. Consider donating shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, diapers sizes 4 -6, bar soap, baby wipes, toilet paper, paper towel, dish soap, laundry detergent, feminine hygiene pads, and facial tissues. Place items in the marked box near Wesley Room. If you prefer to offer a cash or check donation, submit it to the church office and we will do the shopping for you! Indicate the money is for MOM purchases. Contact Cynthia Whitely if questions on this MOM.

BIBLE APP

Get the Bible (and so much more) on your phone. Go to the App Store on your phone and search for "you version bible." Download the app that says "Holy Bible" on a brown icon. With the app you have access to most translations of the Bible, you can listen to some versions and sign up for reading plans. Consider signing up for receiving a daily Bible verse as a powerful tool to 'hear from God' every day.

DO YOU NEED A HYGIENE MASK?

We have skilled sewers in our church who would be happy to make a mask for you. Please contact the office@appfumc.org.

BEFRIENDERS

Befrienders are available for prayers after our worship service! Please find a Befriender under the portico after worship. Masks will be worn and social distancing will be kept.

Kidz Announcements

SUNDAY SCHOOL/ WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUNDAY SCHOOL

We will offer two options for Sunday School this year. Children ages 3 years old-5th grade are welcome to come Sunday mornings from 9:00-9:45 or Wednesday Evenings from 6-6:45 in room 314. Registration is required as we will have limited seating. Registration link can be found on our [Children's Ministry page](#) at www.appfumc.org.

ONLINE SUNDAY SCHOOL

If your family is not comfortable returning to church there is an online option for Sunday School available. Your child can watch a recorded lesson. Lessons can be accessed on our [FUMC Kidz/ Kidz Konnection Facebook](#) page or on our [Children's Ministry page](#) at www.appfumc.org. Please contact Ms. Christine if you would like a printed copy of materials.

KIDZ KONNECTION

Because things are different this year Kidz Konnection will be taking a break so we can offer more opportunities for Sunday school. We will revisit our Kidz Konnection program later on in the year. Stay tuned!

Youth Announcements

WEDNESDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP-BEGINS SEPT. 16TH

First Church will offer both In-person and a virtual option for Youth in grades 6-1: In-person (Youth Lounge) 6:00-6:45 pm and Virtual (Via Zoom) 7:00-7:45 pm. If you would like to attend the In-Person option, please register by calling/texting Brian Stahl at 920-840-5075 or registering on the [Youth Ministries page](#) on the [church website](#). The Zoom link for the Virtual option will be sent in our Tuesday all church email.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES BEGIN OCTOBER 7TH

First Church will offer Confirmation for Youth in Grades 8 and 9 the first Wednesday of each month from 6:00-7:30 pm. Classes will be a Hybrid option (In-Person and Virtual (Via Zoom). To register for the In-Person option, please register by calling/texting Brian Stahl at 920-840-5075 or registering on the [Youth Ministries page](#) on the [church website](#). The Zoom link will be sent to families via email.

FUMC APPLETON YOUTH MISSION TRIPS 2021!

First Church is excited to offer three Youth Mission Trips in the summer of 2021. The Middle School (Grades 6-8) trip will be to Sisseton, South Dakota from June 6-11. Total Cost: \$450. The High School (Grades 11-12+) will be to Arecibo, Puerto Rico from June 12-18. Total Cost: \$1100. The High School Trip (Grades 9-12+) will be to Denver, Colorado from June 26-July 3. Total Cost: \$500. Deposit checks can be made to FUMCY. The deposit for Sisseton and Denver is \$50 and Arecibo is \$150. All High School Class of 2020 Youth are eligible for one of the High School trips in 2021.

Adult Christian Education

FIRST CHURCH'S ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

This year's theme is about being altogether loving, hope-filled, joy-filled, and peace-filled based off of John Wesley's "Almost Christian" sermon. To ensure a wonderful devotional, we are beginning our project now! We are looking for 20 participants interesting in writing a short devotion for this year's fun church opportunity. Contact Pastor Liz if you are interested to receive more information!

FALL GROUPS

We have some amazing groups set up for this fall, from self-studies to in-depth in-person studies and everything in between (including hands-on in the community). You can find more information on them on our page on the [website](#)! *Sign up for any of our studies by calling the church office (734-2677) or by visiting the ["Adult Classes" page of our website](#) ([appfumc.org](#)).*

HANDS-ON OPPORTUNITIES

This year we are offering many opportunities to be able to participate in community hands-on opportunities. People

can participate at Pillars, Feeding America, and Riverview Gardens.

SELF-STUDY - EPHESIANS: A Life of Discipleship Enjoy going through this study at your own leisure (available starting September 13th), while having a peer check in and see how you are experiencing Ephesians.

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

10:15-11:15 a.m. in Asbury Lounge (Online possible) Starting September 20th, join Wendy Anzelmo as we go through the Bible in a year. This great study allows for us to look at Old and New Testament themes rather than chronological reading. Each reading includes only a few questions for reflection and is incredibly doable!

MONDAY WOMEN OF THE WORD

Mondays at 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. (Hybrid) Starting September 14th, join the Women of the Word as they study Beth Moore's "Esther: It's Tough Being a Woman" Study! This 5-day a week study guide will certainly make you think. This portion of God's Word contains treasures to aid us in our hurried, harried, and pressured lives.

TUESDAY BOOK STUDY GROUP

Tuesdays from 1:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. (Hybrid) Enjoy a great allegorical story with the Tuesday Book beginning September 8th. Our study will focus on the book, "Hinds Feet on High Places" by Hannah Hurnard. In short, this book is about searching for guidance from God to lead ourselves to a higher place.

WEDNESDAY BOOK STUDY GROUP

Wednesdays from 11:15 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. (Hybrid) Facilitated by: Cynthia Whitely Join our Wednesday group starting September 9th for Adam Hamilton's "Christianity's Family Tree: What Other Christians Believe and Why"! Hamilton describes some things we can learn from the traditions of Orthodoxy, Catholicism, Lutheranism, Presbyterianism, Anglicanism, Baptists, Pentecostalism, and Methodism to strengthen our own Christian faith.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BOOK STUDY GROUP (Via ZOOM)

Wednesdays from 6:45-7:45 p.m. (September 16, 30th & October 14th) As we continue to discuss the issue of racism, we study Austin Channing Brown's book, "I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Make for Whiteness". Her stories bear witness to the complexity of America's social fabric—from Black Cleveland neighborhoods to private schools in the middle-class suburbs, from prison walls to the boardrooms at majority-white organizations.

THURSDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays from 12:00 p.m. (noon)- 1:00 p.m. (Hybrid) The Biblical book of Daniel has been a great source of story and of prophesy. Starting September 17th, join our group as we search for what God is telling us. Participants are all welcome through Zoom (online) or in-person.

THURSDAY MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays from 12:00 p.m. (noon)- 1:00 p.m. (Hybrid) Join the Men of First church as we study the book of Joshua..."Be Strong..." Participants are all welcome through Zoom (online) or in-person.