

Seminole First United Methodist Church

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Mustard Seeds



"Seeking God's Face"

I read this church sign message "Daily Devotions, Not Yearly Resolutions." When it comes to resolutions, I have made my fair share and within 30 days my focus has shifted. I allow things to distract me. Can you relate? Perhaps, we start this year seeking God's face first. Reading and meditating on a daily devotion is one of many ways we seek God and His presence.

Seeking God must be important, because there are at least 85 verses in the Bible about seeking God. Seeking God's face is intentional and for David seeking God was a heart matter. David had a heart for God, and even though he allowed himself to be distracted by fleshly desires, God did not leave, abandon, or dismiss David.

David shares in Psalm 14:2 "The Lord looks down from heaven on the sons of men to see if there are any who understand, any who seek god." and Psalm 15:2 "He whose walk is blameless and who does what is righteous, who speaks the truth from his heart..."

May we start this year seeking God's face with our whole heart, because our relationship with the Lord is a matter of the heart.

Shalom,

Pastor Lamarla Cook





"Seek out the LORD and His strength; seek His face always."

1 Chronicles 16:11



Advent Season Highlights _ Hope, Peace, Joy & Love









What a Joyful time as we had many celebrations throughout this Advent season.

Concluding with a beautiful Christmas Eve Candlelight
Communion Service
with a Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols on December 26th







January 2022

Removing Christmas Decorations

Wednesday, January 5, 2022 5:30 pm

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|------------------------------|---|--------------------------|--|--|-----|---------------------------------------|
| | | | | | | 1 |
| | | | | | | (New Years Day) |
| 2 Communion Sunday | 3 | 4 UMW Meeting 6:00 pm | 5 Meal 5:30 pm SMASH 6:00 pm Ensemble 6:00 pm JoyBells 6:15 pm | 6 Daisy Troop Brownie Troop 6:30 pm—7:30 pm | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | 10 Grief Share 6:00pm - 8:00pm | 11 | 12 Seminole State College International Student Christmas Dinner | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 Apostles Creed | 17 Grief Share 6:00pm - 8:00pm (Martin Luther King Jr. Day) | 18 | 19 Meal 5:30 pm SMASH 6:00 pm Ensemble 6:00 pm JoyBells 6:15 pm | 20 Daisy Troop Brownie Troop 6:30 pn-7:30 pm | 21 | 22 Wally Gates Memorial Service |
| 23 Church Council Meeting. | 24 Grief Share 6:00pm - 8:00pm | 25 | 26 Meal 5:30 pm SMASH 6:00 pm Ensemble 6:00 pm JoyBells 6:15 pm | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 | 31 Grief Share 6:00pm - 8:00pm | | | | | |



05 - Ernest Willis, Jr.

11 - Betsy Stewart-Dooley

10 - Ken Stewart

14 - David Zehren

23 - Haley Coates

23 - Bill Davisson

18 - Alyce Ellis

CELEBRATIONS!

23 - Seth Hallum

23 - Doug Rundle

25 - Erin Gillespie

25 - Jill Steger Rush

27 - Lajuana Tinsley

29 - Roxie Auld

30 - Elizabeth Gates

Children & Youth



Wednesday's at 6:00pm (Meal at 5:30pm)

JANUARY 17th Ed & Charlotte Gillespie



"Jesus said, 'Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.' "

Matthew 19:14

Bread For Kenya

Kikopey, Kenya _ Rev Moses



Weekly Grief Support Group

When:

Monday's 6-8 pm, January 10th - April 4th

Where:

First United Methodist Church, Parlor

Contacts:

Larry & Donna Schut _ 405-382-6621 larryandonna7@gmail.com

Pastor Lamarla Cook _ 405-382-2016 office@seminolefumc.com

Grief Share

Registration Fee: \$10.00 (Scholarships Available)

Child Care Provided (if needed)





open HEARTS, open MINDS, open DOORS

United Methodist Women

Meeting: 6:00 pm Tuesday, January 4, 2022

Then the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by the signs that accompanied it. (Mark 16:20 NIV).



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Sunday

Sunday School: 9:30am Worship Service: 10:45am

Wednesday:

Youth & Children: Meal: 5:30pm Youth & Children: 6:00pm

CHURCH STAFF

| Bishop | Dr. Jimmy Nunn |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Heartland D.S. | Dr. Victor McCullough |
| Senior Pastor | Rev. Lamarla Cook |
| Minister | All the Congregation |
| Children's Director | Debbie Hallum |
| Custodian | Roxie Auld |
| Liturgical Colors | Charlotte Horton |
| Music Director | Sandy Peters |
| Office Secretary | Peggy Edgell |
| Organist | David Larson |
| Sunday School Supt | Lola Davisson |
| Treasurer | Mark Schell |
| Youth Director | Linda Swearingen |
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Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music... Psalm 98:4



Make a Joyful Noise unto the Lord!



Wednesday's at 6:15 pm



Newsletters will be sent via e-mail, postal mail upon request and are available on the FUMC web site. Hard copies will be available in the church Narthex.



If you are looking for a place to volunteer and serve, please consider one of the following:

Interfaith Social Ministries 813 N. Main Street, Seminole, OK 74868 M-F 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Contact: Pastor Cook 405-641-5524

Meals on Wheels Tuesdays & Fridays (deliver meals) Contact: Charlotte Gillespie 405-380-2424



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