



THE CIRCUIT RIDER

First United Methodist Church

338 Third Street, PO Box 492, Henderson, KY 42419

270-827-2100

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

PARABLE ADVENTURES

STORIES JESUS TOLD

JULY 12-15
5:00-7:30 PM

- DELICIOUS DINNERS!
- EPIC BIBLE STORIES!
- CLASSIC KIDS SONGS!
- HIGH-ENERGY GAMES!
- AWESOME CRAFTS!





INDEPENDENCE

DAY FUN

Wednesday, July 1 • NOON

**Celebrate our Nation's 250th Birthday
with a Cookout Lunch
in the First UMC Fellowship Hall!**

 US Air Force Veteran Joe McGarrh speaking on the importance of a “wingman”

 Entertainment by Sam Moore & EJ Simmons

A freewill offering will help with costs.
Reservations aren't required but would be helpful — contact the Church Office.



First UMC Family Needy Fund

Did you know that First UMC has a fund which provides for those within our church family who find themselves in need of assistance? A special offering for this fund is collected at the communion rail on the first Sunday of every month during our combined worship service.

WORSHIP SERVICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

WE NEED:

- **SCRIPTURE READERS**
- **CALL TO WORSHIP & AFFIRMATION OF FAITH LEADERS**
- **SOUND TECHNICIANS**
- **ACOLYTE LEADERS**

CONTACT PASTOR JANET OR THE CHURCH OFFICE

THOUGHTS FROM
Pastor Janet

***“I didn’t find my friends...
 the Good Lord gave them to me!”***

Ralph Waldo Emerson

This is a quote I am certain you have heard before. In a resource of this statement, it shares that “Emerson’s statement is rooted in the idea that people meet others through life’s circumstances – shared experiences, environments, or serendipity – rather than through conscious effort to find them. This view aligns with his broader philosophy that much of life’s meaning comes from trust in a higher order and the value of relationships that form naturally” (from an essay entitled “Friendship” -1841).

While Emerson’s quote is secular in tone, it resonates with many spiritual traditions, including Christianity. The Bible emphasizes the importance of choosing friends wisely because they can profoundly influence your life. For example:

Proverbs 17:17 *“A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for a time of adversity.”*

Proverbs 27:6 *“Wounds from a sincere friend are better than many kisses from an enemy.”*

Ecclesiastes 4:9–10 *“Two are better than one...if either of them falls down, one can help the other up.”*

We (Tim and I) are beginning our 4th year here at Henderson First United Methodist Church, being appointed by our Bishop, David Graves, by our Kentucky Annual Conference and Cabinet. How we have spoken of the numerous friends God has given to us, during our brief time as your pastor/pastor’s family. How different our shared experiences, environments, and attitudes have developed over these 3-plus years. We feel “so at home” with our Church family and friends, those which God has placed within our lives. Each day we thank God for the blessing of those friendships and love, shared and given by you. So we come today to express our deepest thanks and appreciation for EACH ONE of you, so very blessed and thankful for each one of you as God has placed you in our path. And how we agree with this quote by Ralph Waldo Emerson, *“I didn’t find my friends...the Good Lord gave them to me!”* Thank you for loving us as your friends, your Church family and your pastoral family. We look forward to another year together.

Love in Christ,

Pastor Janet

**HELP
OUR KIDS
GO TO
LOUCON!**



Several of our children & youth family are excited to spend some of their summer break learning about God while having the time of their lives at Camp Loucon! First UMC is accepting donations from anyone who would like to help cover some of the cost for these kids.

Sign Up to Provide

**Altar
Flowers**

Contact the Church Office
or
Scan Code to Complete the Online Form



All Women Are Invited!

Mandarin House

Thursday, July 9, 12:15 PM

Please RSVP by Monday, July 6

Susan Latham (270-826-1191)

or Joyce Lutz (270-577-5300)

Thank you to
The Moran Small Group
for volunteering to provide
and serve lunch at The
Salvation Army on
Saturday, July 11.
For more information,
contact Cathy Motter.



THE FOLLOWING CONTRIBUTIONS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED

IN MEMORY OF FREEDA MORGAN

JIM & ANN CRAFTON

IN MEMORY OF JACK SASSE

JOHN & JACKIE LOGAN

IN MEMORY OF LES MURDACH

HOLLY & JIM VINCENT

IN MEMORY OF LUCY NASH

BEVERLY SKAGGS

Worship Service Volunteers

July 5, 10:00 AM Service

Announcements: Donna Stinnett
Affirmation of Faith: Linda Floyd
Pledges to the Flags: Susan Latham
Offertory: Ray Nix
Scripture: Stacy Powell
Communion Stewards: Donna Stinnett,
 Ray Nix, Mike Duffy, Ileigh Barnes

July 12, 8:30 AM Service

Announcements: Donna Stinnett
Affirmation of Faith: Kevin Hein
Offertory: Ray Nix
Scripture: Carla Garrison

July 12, 10:45 AM Service

Announcements: Meg Burnley
Call to Worship: Frank Tulipana
Scripture: Jane Shipley

July 19, 8:30 AM Service

Announcements: Donna Stinnett
Affirmation of Faith: Mike Grounds
Offertory: Ray Nix
Scripture: Chuck Stinnett

July 19, 10:45 AM Service

Announcements: Brenda Sasse
Call to Worship: Cathe Hedgespeth
Affirmation of Faith: Rev, Leslie McKown
Scripture: Tim Lutz

July 26, 8:30 AM Service

Announcements: Donna Stinnett
Offertory: Ray Nix
Scripture: Becky Summers

July 26, 10:45 AM Service

Announcements: Susan Latham
Call to Worship: Pam Moran
Scripture: Rev. David Latham



JULY 1

ZACHARY BEICKMAN

JULY 18

NANCY GIBSON
 DICK LEE

JULY 2

SETH LEWIS

JULY 19

RONDA BUCKMASTER

JULY 3

HUSTON REESE

JULY 20

FRANK TULIPANA

JULY 4

KASS MCKEE

JULY 21

CINDY DIXON
 BROOKLYN TALLEY

JULY 5

JANELL CONN
 TIM LUTZ
 KATRINA MITULSKI

JULY 26

JOHN BERRONG
 SHELBY SCHU

JULY 9

KAREN HILL

JULY 28

CATHY KEMP

JULY 10

TIM HUDSON
 BEVERLY JENKINS

JULY 29

KELLEY FRASHIER

JULY 11

MISSY FANOK
 MIKE GARRISON

JULY 30

BOB PARK
 MARIE POWELL

JULY 13

LUDY KIRKPATRICK
 MARLENE WILLIAMS

JULY 31

DAVID LATHAM
 GARRETT MILLER
 DONNA STINNETT

JULY 17

VICKI GENTRY

Worship With Us!

First Sunday of Each Month at 10:00 AM

All Other Sundays at 8:30 AM & 10:45 AM

(Nursery Care is available for children up to age 4.)



Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM
(The office may close each day for a 30-minute lunch break.)

Friday: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Articles for The Circuit Rider

All articles for the August issue
should be submitted to the church office
by Wednesday, July 24.

Church Staff

Rev. Janet Carden, *Pastor*

Rev. EJ Simmons, *Associate Pastor*

Mary Fuller, *Financial Secretary*

Beth Hayes, *Administrative & Executive Assistant*

Doug Sasse, *Custodian*

Gifts to First UMC

may be mailed to the church, given in person
during worship services or church office
hours, or given online by scanning
the QR code below.



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for the Transformation of the World

