



THE CIRCUIT RIDER

First United Methodist Church

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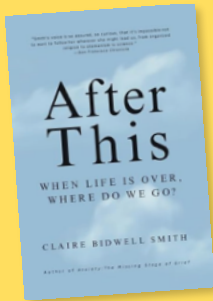
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BACKPACK BLESSING AND DRIVE THRU GIVEAWAY



Thank you to those who have collected backpacks to fill and return to the church on or before Sunday, August 9, for a special blessing during both worship services and a Drive Thru Giveaway beginning at 3 PM.

We want kids to be **READY TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL** with the supplies they need!



Good Grief Class

Led by Pastor Janet Carden

Tuesdays at 2:30 pm

An invitation is extended to each of you to join our "Good Grief" class which meets every Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 PM in Room 123. We are currently reading our eighth resource written by author Claire Bidwell Smith and entitled, *After This: When Life is Over, Where Do We Go?*. Mrs. Smith is a licensed therapist, international speaker, and the author of five books published in twenty-two countries. Led by her experience in grief and fueled by her work in hospice and private practice, she strives to provide support for all kinds of people experiencing all kinds of loss. We welcome you to join us anytime!



THE ART OF WELL-BEING

AUGUST 23 - SEPTEMBER 12



They've Got the Beat, Frederica Diane Huff

Artist Reception & Awards Ceremony
Sunday, August 23, 3:00 PM



"The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ. God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."

1 Corinthians 12:12, 18 & 27

I refer to this passage of Scripture, when I ponder on the past few weeks here at Henderson First UMC. What a wonderful and exciting Vacation Bible School we shared July 12-15. Our theme this year was "Parable Adventures." The Spiritual Formation Team was so gracious to re-enact four (of the 38) parables during our Bible time. Sunday evening, we shared the parable of "The Lost Coin"; Monday, "The Good Samaritan"; Tuesday, "The Lost Sheep"; and Wednesday evening, "The Prodigal Son" (The Lost Son).

The children were given a booklet which included the parable we shared each evening along with activities highlighting each story. After the children observed us (in our acting profession), they all volunteered to act out the story themselves. What excitement they offered us, as we observed their view of the parable.

All-in-all, it was a reminder of how many volunteers stepped up to teach and care for those children and youth attending VBS this year. There was a full team who organized the kitchen, serving and preparing, purchasing and cleaning up each evening during VBS. We had those who volunteered to share the craft or activity scheduled for every evening. We had volunteers who shared a time of music and fun. And those offering games and fellowship together. We, too, had volunteers driving the vans picking up those who had called needing a ride to VBS. On Wednesday evening, we even had numerous volunteers who came to help clean up after VBS had concluded. All of which reminded us of this passage of scripture from 1 Corinthians 12: "The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ. God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. Now YOU are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." It takes us all... working together, utilizing our gifts and talents to teach and share the Gospel of Jesus Christ! Thank you, EVERYONE OF YOU... for giving! You have certainly made a difference!

Love in Christ,

Pastor Janet



"She Loves to Eat Out"

All Women Are Invited!

Applebee's

Thursday, August 13, 12:15 PM

Please RSVP by Monday, August 10

**Susan Latham (270-826-1191)
or Joyce Lutz (270-577-5300)**

**THE FOLLOWING
CONTRIBUTIONS
HAVE BEEN RECEIVED**

**IN MEMORY OF
FREEDA MORGAN**

**BRENDA SASSE
TOM & JO LOGAN
FIRST UMC ALLEN CLASS**

**First United Methodist Church
Financial Report to the Congregation
January - June, 2026**

Income **\$391,732**

Expense **\$361,300**

<u>Committee/Team</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>
Staff-Parish Relations	\$155,267	\$402,359
Church Operations/Admin.	79,753	117,000
Church Repairs/Maintenance	17,970	44,000
Children, Youth, Young Adults	7,054	29,200
Spiritual Formation	1,223	2,800
Fellowship/Congregational Care	394	2,000
Worship & Evangelism	11,184	15,000
Local & Conference Missions	51,460	102,610
Designated Offerings Processed	38,570	

Worship Service Volunteers

August 2, 10:00 AM Service

Announcements: Donna Stinnett
Affirmation of Faith: Linda Floyd
Call to Worship: Susan Latham
Offertory: Ray Nix
Scripture: Frank Tulipana
Communion Stewards: Donna Stinnett,
 Ray Nix, Jim & Ann Crafton, John Logan,
 Bowman Duncan

August 9, 8:30 AM Service

Announcements: Donna Stinnett
Affirmation of Faith: Mike Duffy
Offertory: Ray Nix
Scripture: Carla Garrison

August 9, 10:45 AM Service

Announcements: Brenda Sasse
Call to Worship: Cathe Hedgespeth
Affirmation of Faith: Ann Crafton
Scripture: Jane Shipley

August 16, 8:30 AM Service

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

August 16, 10:45 AM Service

Announcements: Susan Latham
Call to Worship: Tim Lutz
Affirmation of Faith: Frank Tulipana
Scripture: Rev. Leslie McKown

August 23, 8:30 AM Service

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

August 23, 10:45 AM Service

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

August 30, 8:30 AM Service

Announcements: Donna Stinnett
Affirmation of Faith: Stacy Powell
Offertory: Ray Nix
Scripture: Linda Floyd

August 30, 10:45 AM Service

Announcements: Cathe Hedgespeth
Call to Worship: Brenda Sasse
Affirmation of Faith: Rev. Leslie McKown
Scripture: Lisa Tulipana

August 2026

August Birthdays

August 2

Rev. Cindy Green
 Eileen Hayes
 Charles Johnson

August 3

Kayla Hicks

August 5

AJ Krause

August 7

Tana Duncan
 Mary Pomeroy

August 9

Libby Lett

August 10

Julie Armstrong

August 11

Rebecca Hein
 Pete Summers

August 12

Jule McClellan

August 13

Sara Simpson

August 14

Amaree Jones

August 15

Dawn Kelsey

August 17

Wendy Wilkerson

August 18

Lorelei Duncan
 James Jonnson
 Mary Ruth Weaver

August 19

Ardith Shannon

August 20

Jane Magnus

August 21

Lisa Tulipana

August 22

Beth Hayes

August 24

Beth Moran

August 28

Laurel Duffy

August 30

Chaz Audas

August 31

Bryan Magnus

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 Staff

Rev. Janet Carden, *Pastor*

Rev. EJ Simmons, *Associate Pastor*

Mary Fuller, *Financial Secretary*

Beth Hayes, *Administrative & Executive Assistant*

Doug Sasse, *Custodian*

Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

(The office may close each day for a 30-minute lunch break.)

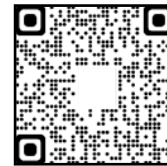
Friday: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Articles for The Circuit Rider

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

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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