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Our **Mission** is to:

Live as a community transformed by God's grace, sent to love and serve like Jesus.

Our **Vision** is to:

Build communities of hope where all people experience belonging and abundant life.

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Dear Murphy First,

I was keeping the time clock and score board for Nathanael's flag football game again, and the referee made sure I knew that we'd have a continuous clock for 19 minutes, then the last 1 minute of each half would stop and start following normal football rules.

Then he started to walk away. And I got kind of nervous. See, I don't exactly have "normal football rules" neatly tucked away in my mind. I could imagine the parents booing from the other side of the field if I goofed. I said, "Uh, yeah, normal rules. Is there a signal you'll give, just to, you know, make sure we're on the same page?" Mercifully, he assured me it's standard referee procedure to have such signals.

When there's rules involved, and there's something on the line, I want to know what I'm doing.

Rewind 7 or so years, and I remember Bishop Goodpaster stood in front of all of us and asked, "Do you know our general rules? What are they? Will you keep them?"

It was part of our "examination" before we were officially approved for ordination. That's been true of would-be pastors in The United Methodist Church for a long time now. I think, actually, since our beginning.

He was talking about the General Rules of Discipleship that have been part of our Methodist identity since 1739. They are 1. Do no harm; 2. Do good; 3. Attend upon the ordinances of God. (Bishop Rueben P. Job popularly paraphrased that last one by saying 3. Stay in love with God.)

Those 3 simple rules have been in our *Book of Discipline*, and part of our practice ever since John Wesley put them on paper. In the *Discipline*, he fleshes out what he means by each.

Now, I know, to bring up "rules" in church sometimes makes people cringe a little (or a lot). Like, we want to be people who are about grace, not rules!

But think about this: What would it be like if you tried to play a football game with no rules? Rules give structure, a common understanding, and freedom to play. That's what these are about too. Giving form and freedom, through which the power of God might be at work in our lives. And they are another way of fleshing out Jesus' greatest commandments: Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength; and your neighbor as yourself.

During the month of October, I'm going to spend 4 Sundays preaching from those 3 simple rules. By the end, I hope you'll know them, strive to live by them, and will have come to find the joy and freedom that God gives through them.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Wil

Murphy First UMC Preschool

During September, our Preschool Committee has been finishing up handbooks, policies, and ironing out other details of our coming-soon preschool. Our aim is to open on January 10, when Cherokee County Schools resumes.

The details we've been running in the included FAQ page will help answer questions you might have, and if you have others, don't hesitate to reach out to a member of the committee: Charlene Smith, Pastor Wil, Ricky Hill, Kendra Fokakis, Lea Posey, and Robin Burnette.

When we first began talking about what it would look like to open a preschool as a ministry of the church, I shared with you all how it felt like kairos moment. Kairos is the Greek word that we use to talk about God's perfect timing that we can't script on our own.

Since I got here, every now and again someone would say, "Hey, don't you think we could open or help start a preschool in town?" Then the suggestion started to come more frequently. Then we finished our vision process and committed to prioritize ministry with children and young families, experimenting with childcare solutions. Then we were accepted into a program that ultimately awarded us a \$50,000 grant to get this going. And meanwhile two experienced early childhood educators happened to find their way into our FUMC community. I'm telling you, a kairos moment.

As we enter into the homestretch of preparing the space and putting final touches on the program, I'm asking everyone to keep the preschool in your prayers. Pray for the kids and families who will be touched by this program.

And if you are able, I invite you to give to our scholarship fund. One of the important aspects of this program is we want to make this high-quality program available to families who might not otherwise be able to afford it. You can help make that happen with a gift of any amount.

We look forward to sharing even more as the month unfolds!

--Pastor Wil and the Preschool Committee



Young Adult Sunday School!!

We meet at 9:45 upstairs in the education building, at the same there is children's Sunday School across the hall. We're exploring topics relevant to our season and stage in life. This is a new class, and we're looking to develop and deepen friendships through study and encouragement in our lives of faith.

Worship Readiness (formerly Children's Church)



New this year is our Worship Readiness class for children in grades K-2. The idea of this class is to let our kids explore different elements of worship in an accessible way so they can more meaningfully and fully worship God. Already they've explored elements that make up the physical space of a sanctuary—like the Lord's Table, stained glass, and differently colored paraments that follow the church calendar.

An extra special aspect is that the Lord's Table and paraments were made by church members who are crafters. We love having homemade worship elements!



Greeting Card Ministry will meet in Fellowship Hall at 11am on Wednesday, Oct. 18th prior to the Willing Hands Circle Meeting.

**New
to Our
Family**

**David & Nellie
Martin**



Be sure to set your clocks back 1 hour on Saturday night, Nov. 4th



Moms Group

Mom's group is continuing on Wednesdays 9:30-11:30. It is an incredibly special time that has given us space to focus on our faith and personal relationships with God.

Thank you, thank you to the staff and volunteers that make it possible each week.

If interested in participating, please contact Lea Posey at 386-688-3329 or Kendra Fokakis at 601-466-3089.



Save the Date for Trunk or Treat in coordination with downtown Murphy: **Oct 31st 5-7.**



More details to come. If you are interested in helping plan this event we would love the additional help. We will also be looking for volunteers to decorate trunks and would welcome candy donations again this year. For questions or to help in any way, please contact Lea Posey (386)-688-3329 or Kayla Clonts (828) 644-3151.



Keep the following in your thoughts and prayers:

Ruth Vespasian; Scott Adams; Tony Licata; Matt Licata; Trina Iurilli; Christine Iurilli; Carl Swanson; Ukraine and its people; Paul Britten; Veronica Bright; Arlene Murphy; David Hotchkiss; David Chapman; Misty Graves; Carl Auvil; Dor Schmidt; Dorothy Purcell; Elizabeth Thompson and family; Beth Loudy; Harrison Gray; Michael Dlosko and family; Carl Lange; Marie Kumar; Randy Humphries; Mary Lou Hughes; Lisa Hinson.

If you have specific prayer needs, fill out and submit a blue Prayer Request Card, or call the church office or pastor (828-837-2718), or email the Prayer Team at: pray-fumc@gmail.com.

CHURCH FAMILY, occasionally we need to ask everyone to reconsider the ways in which each of us may participate in the ministries of the church. Interests and circumstances can change with time, so we are asking everyone to use the link included, or scan this QR code, to prayerfully consider each area of service listed. For each item, select "Yes" whenever you feel God tugging at your heart. God bless you all and thank you for your service to God and His church. If you can't use the QR code, click on this LINK: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdpVZJzfH7HMNfCQk3fv0aOQvT4nbGw8Aw_Fpnh5ZeIgvthHA/viewform





Fellowship Potluck Lunch

ATTENTION!!! DUST OFF THOSE CHURCH COOK-BOOKS & PICK OUT YOUR FAVORITE RECIPES!!!!

We have brought back our monthly potluck lunch following worship on the 3rd Sunday of every month from September through May! The group hosting in October is the Trustees, who will be responsible for set up, serving and clean up. The church will furnish paper products and drinks. Plan on bringing your favorite dish to share and stay to enjoy food and fellowship after worship on October 15th!



NOTICE to all church members with children:

It has come to our attention that the correct status for baptized children of current members should be "Baptized Member" unless they have already completed Confirmation or been received as full members by profession of faith. To make sure that we have the children recorded correctly, if your children are baptized and not yet confirmed, PLEASE notify the church of the date and location of where the baptism took place for each child. If you would like to have your child baptized into the Family of God, please speak with Pastor Wil.



In August, the church membership team sent a letter, form and self addressed, stamped return envelope to everyone listed as a member of the church for whom we had an address. If you have NOT RETURNED your form, PLEASE do so ASAP. If you or a family member did NOT RECEIVE this communication, PLEASE notify the church, either by calling the office at 828-837-2718 or emailing Maggie at admin@murphyfirstumc.org as soon as possible. We are trying to bring our roll up to date and we need your help!





United
Women
in Faith

WILLING HANDS Moving Right Along: In case you haven't noticed, we are heading into a very busy time of year. We just worked our way through the annual White Tag Sale and cleared over \$2400! A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who donated stuff, sorted and priced treasures and all who staffed the actual sale, not to mention anyone who was praying for us! Our next Willing Hands meeting will be at 12 noon on Wednesday, October 18th, in the Fellowship Hall. The Greeting Card Ministry will start creating cards at 11am if you can come a little early to help. During our meeting we will be discussing both the Christmas Box Project and Memories with Santa which will be coming up in November and early December. Know that all women in our church family and also the community are invited to these meetings and events. Feel free to contact any member of our United Women in Faith group or call Karen Watson (828-361-9520) or Nancy Jo Willis (850-428-3636) with questions, comments, ideas, etc.

WHITE TAG SALE BEFORE



WHITE TAG SALE AFTER



There will a meeting of the Inter-agency Coalition on Homelessness on October 6, at 11 a.m. at Downtown Pizza. Members of the Mission Team will be attending. If you are passionate about helping the homeless and want to learn more, please join the meeting.

The Trustees have approved a plan to redo and upgrade the parking lot. This will help us serve our members and visitors who have limited mobility or other disabilities. More information will be presented and everyone will be informed of the timeline and details. We hope to increase the serviceability and safety of our parking situation.



The Mission Team will once again sponsor the Alternative Christmas. This is an opportunity for all of us to support local charities in the name of a friend or loved one. The Mission Team will be providing more information during church and in the bulletin and newsletters. Alternative Christmas donations will be taken on December 3 and December 10. Get Ready to Give!!!



Soul Table is GROWING! Starting in October there will be two lunches a month. One will be a simple soup and sandwich meal and one will be a hot meal. Our chef J.P., John Morton and the entire mission team appreciate your support of this program. We are currently looking for partners who can come cook, serve and visit with our neighbors. Please consider volunteering. ALL are welcome. You will be blessed (and get a great lunch!)

*****SPECIAL HOLIDAY SOUL TABLE LUNCHES: THANKSGIVING, NOVEMBER 16
AND CHRISTMAS DECEMBER 21*****

Soul Table Schedule

- ❖ October 5 (hot meal)
- ❖ October 19 (soup and sandwich)
- ❖ November 2 (soup and sandwich)
- ❖ November 16 (special Thanksgiving meal)
- ❖ December 7 (soup and sandwich)
- ❖ December 21 (special Christmas meal)
- ❖ January 4 (soup and sandwich)
- ❖ January 18 (hot meal)
- ❖ February 1 (soup and sandwich)
- ❖ February 15 (hot meal)
- ❖ March 7 (soup and sandwich)
- ❖ March 21 (hot meal)
- ❖ April 4 (soup and sandwich)
- ❖ April 18 (hot meal)
- ❖ May 2 (soup and sandwich)
- ❖ May 16 (hot meal)
- ❖ Summer schedule to be determined

Cooking usually takes place in our church kitchen the day before the hot meals.

Home made desserts and bread are welcomed!

Please consider volunteering to serve and visit with our neighbors as you share a meal.

You WILL receive a blessing!

Contact Cobby Barfield for more information.

The Soul Table free lunch is open to anyone and everyone.

It is a time of food, fellowship and connection.

Soul Table is a ministry of FUMC Murphy and is led by the Mission Team



Children's Volunteer
SCHEDULE

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS	OFFERING COUNTERS	SUNDAY NURSERY HELP
Monday, Oct 2,9,30: Liz Pipes	Oct 03: Karen Watson, Janie Forrister	Oct 01: Erin Brophy, Kendra Fokakis, Ricky Hill OPEN SPOT
Tuesday, Oct 2,10,17,24,31: Linda Ray	Oct 10: Dottie Wershing, Janie Forrister	Oct 08: Esther Manchester, Robin Bur- nette, Mary Robertson, Lea Posey, Kayla Clonts
Wednesday, Oct 4,11,18,25: Marilyn Jones	Oct 17: Dottie Wershing, Anita Sloan	Oct 15: Terri Stroup, Rob Robertson, Liz Pipes, Kathryn Jenkins, James Jallah
Thursday, Oct 5,12,19,26: Dottie Wer- shing	Oct 24: Karen Watson, Anita Sloan	Oct 22: Morgan Budzinski, John Snow III, Katrina Palmer, Marji Hill, Lindsay Cam- pana
	Oct 03: Karen Watson, Anita Sloan	Oct 29: Kevin Mendoza, Mary Robertson, Lea Posey, Ricky Hill OPEN SPOT



STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENTS FOR OCTOBER***

We ask that you come to church on Sundays or continue to watch our Sunday worship livestream platform and stay in touch with your friends and family.

Cross Bearer: Joe Thorley***

Acolytes: Nathanael Posey & Declan Fokakis***

Reader/Liturgist: Agnes & Agna Jallah***

Offering Prayer: John Morton***

Greeters: Rod & Amy Brown***

Fellowship Lunch Host: Trustees

Pew Maintenance: Welcoming Committee

Communion Preparation: Worship Committee

Counters: Karen Watson, Janie Forrister, Dottie Wershing, Anita Sloan

Office Volunteers: Liz Pipes, Linda Ray, Marilyn Jones, Dottie Wershing

TRUSTEE On Call: Blake Hughes 828-557-3354

Communications Team: [Sue Bell](#), [Nancy Jo Willis](#), [Diane Barfield](#), [Marji Hill](#)

*** Substitutes can occur.

In October,
FLOWERS

for the altar each
Sunday will be
provided by:

Oct 1—Wally & Deannie Avett,
60th Anniversary

Oct 8—open

Oct 15—open

Oct 22—Nancy Jo Willis &
Anita Sloan

Oct 29—open

To reserve a Sunday in 2023 to
provide altar flowers, please call
the church office at 828-837-
2718. Thank You!



for submitting information for
the **November** edition of the
newsletter!

Wednesday, October 25, 2023

SERVING IN WORSHIP



**Serving in
Worship**

If you are interested in
serving as a Liturgist,
Crucifer or Acolyte (age
7+), please contact Kathryn
Jenkins at (404) 395-2390
or
rkjenkins330@gmail.com.

**Trustee on Call for October:
Blake Hughes 828-557-3354**

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Maggie Corrigan—Admin Asst

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Patty Singer—Nursery Assistant

Mary Lee—Nursery Assistant

Marlene Gray—Nursery Assistant



THIS MONTH'S birthdays

10/01—Flip Watson
 10/07—John Vennes
 10/08—Gabby Hudson
 10/10—Becky Nelson
 10/11—Rod Brown; Monica Mintz
 10/12—Isaac Fokakis
 10/15—Wayne Watson
 10/17—Sharon Francis
 10/18—Phylis Blackmon
 10/21—Blake Hughes
 10/23—Quinn Campana
 10/24—John Snow, Jr.; Patrick Svitil
 10/27—Katrina Palmer
 10/28—Sue Bell
 10/29—Paige Brinke
 10/31—Thomas Sumpter



THIS MONTH'S anniversaries

10/03—Ron & Kathryn Jenkins
 10/07—Kevin & Asia Mendoza
 10/13—John Vennes & Cora Edwards
 10/14—Dan & Terri Stroup
 10/15—Ursula & Frank Lasky




SignUp

Volunteers, the church has begun to use a volunteer reminder and management tool called **SignUp** to help group leaders schedule their volunteers and send reminders to those volunteers about their schedules. The tool will work on your phone, tablet and computer simply by clicking on a link, will sync with your calendar, will allow you to manage your schedule, and will send you reminders via email and text message. To receive text reminders, make sure that you set the authorization for texting in your SignUp Profile. Each of you will have an individual profile connected to your email address and can use this to manage your availability. If you need help with this tool, please contact Vera Confer.

THE FOLLOWING PAGES LIST OUR “LOST SHEEP” FOR WHOM LETTERS HAVE BEEN SENT, BUT EITHER THE LETTER WAS RETURNED AS UNDELIVERABLE OR THEY HAVE NOT SENT BACK THE ENCLOSED FORM. IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION ABOUT ANY OF THESE PEOPLE, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE.



LOST SHEEP WITH AN ADDRESS—LETTER RETURNED OR NO REPLY

Last Name	First Name	Date Joined
Ackiss	Margaret	11/11/2001
Adams	Dona	7/16/2017
Adams	Jessica	3/27/1994
Adamski	Jackie	9/18/1994
Allen	Tracy	10/18/1998
Allen	Eddie	10/18/1998
Avett	Robert	4/11/1982
Barber	Amanda	4/4/2004
Barber	Mallory	3/28/1999
Barber	Trevor	4/6/2008
Barclay	Brooke	3/21/1999
Barger	Nancy	12/14/2003
Barger	Frank	12/14/2003
Bartlett	June	9/17/2006
Baxter, Jr.	Rita	8/30/1987
Beaver	Calvin	3/7/1982
Beaver	Kathy	11/23/1986
Benson	Terry	4/28/2002
Benson	Mike	4/28/2002
Blackmon	Michael	5/26/1996
Blakemore	Dennis	1/15/1967
Blakemore	Jane	3/29/1970
Bondurant	Mary Caroline	3/22/1998
Bourgeois	Patricia	10/12/2003
Brackett	Scott	11/5/1978
Brandenburg	Donna	11/9/2003
Brandenburg	Jerry	11/9/2003
Breckenridge	Cliff	6/3/2012
Bristol	Lance	10/3/1993
Brown	Brooks	5/27/2007
Brown	Leighton	6/12/2011
Brown	Adrienne	4/4/2004
Brumby	Lynn	4/21/2013
Bryant	Davis	11/27/2016
Brydebell	Matt	3/21/2004
Brydebell	Sheri	3/21/2004
Butler	August	4/6/2008

Case	Leonard	10/19/1986
Cash	Lloyd	6/15/2014
Charles	Andrea	10/20/2002
Church	Quincey	5/10/1987
Clapsaddle	Tiffany	6/20/1993
Cofer	Kathy	7/14/2013
Cofer	Wayne	7/14/2013
Collins	Peggy	5/15/2005
Collins	Larry	5/15/2005
Cook	Eulala	9/8/1974
Cooper	Rebecca	8/28/2005
Cooper	Mike	8/28/2005
Cornwell	Josh	4/16/2000
Crain	Bill	1/25/2009
Creelman	Susan	1/8/1984
Crews	Bobbi	1/27/2008
Crouch	Sonya	3/10/1991
Crouch	Kevin	3/10/1991
Crowell	Audrey	4/4/1993
Davidson	Jan	3/30/1958
Davis	Leslie	6/3/2012
Davis	Tiffany	9/17/2006
Davis	Keir	4/6/1980
Davis	Brook	5/24/1981
Davis	Jordan	5/11/2003
DiMartino	Kathy	11/9/2003
DiMartino	Michael	11/9/2003
DiMartino	Michael	11/9/2003
DiMartino	Nicholas	11/9/2003
DiMartino	Kate	11/9/2003
DiMartino	Maria	11/9/2003
Dyer	Georjah	5/15/2016
Dyer	Melanie	8/13/1989
Dyer	Elizabeth	4/12/1992
Dyer	Phyllis	4/29/1973

LOST SHEEP WITH AN ADDRESS—LETTER RETURNED OR NO REPLY —- CONTINUED

Edwards	Rusty	7/16/2017
Edwards	Lori	7/16/2017
Edwards	Logan	5/11/2003
Einheuser	Betty	5/14/1986
Fair	Diane	6/23/2002
Fair	Fred	6/23/2002
Faircloth	Pat	2/27/2000
Faircloth	Don	2/27/2000
Farmer	Brenna	5/14/1995
Fitts	Dianne	11/16/2008
Fletcher	Scott	5/11/2003
Fletcher	Lisa	1/10/2016
Forsyth	Robert	4/3/1966
Forsyth	William	6/2/1991
Gebel	Amanda	4/4/1993
Goodnight	Ashley	4/21/2013
Gougler	Robert	1/23/2005
Gougler	Lynda	1/23/2005
Green	Victoria	4/16/1989
Green	Jerry	4/16/1989
Halstead	Gayle	2/12/2006
Halstead	Ron	2/12/2006
Hampton	Sheila	6/20/2010
Hartness	Elizabeth	5/18/1997
Heier	Geri	11/19/2006
Heier	Larry	11/19/2016
Hensley	Jane	4/11/1965
Hoard	Dawn	5/15/1977
Holland	Gerald	4/3/1993
Holmes	Jessie	8/25/2002
Holmes	Vance	8/25/2002
House	Teresa	11/13/1994
Hughes	John	12/10/1978
Hyatt	David	4/11/1982
Hyatt	Judith	5/10/1987
Hyatt	Sarah	4/11/1982
Jurand	Diane	11/21/2004
Jurand	George	11/21/2004
Kahl	Susie	1/29/1995
King	Jonathan	5/14/1995
King	Nancy	3/21/1993

Lance	Angela	5/15/2016
Laney	Ty	5/23/2021
Laney	Cole	5/23/2021
Laney	Emma	5/23/2021
Langford	Dot	7/20/2003
Larson	Hannah	5/31/2009
Lavender	Able	11/27/2016
Leatherwood	Brian	10/24/2021
Leatherwood	Wendy	10/24/2021
Leatherwood	Emma	10/24/2021
Leatherwood	Anna	5/23/2021
Lindsay	Grant	6/12/2011
London	Kathy	9/27/1992
London	Jake	3/28/1999
Martin	Brittany	5/25/2003
Martin	Jeff	5/28/2006
Martin	Lori	5/28/2006
Martin	Ellie	6/12/2011
Martin	Erin	6/12/2011
Mattox	Philip	4/11/1954
McCullough	Lori	3/28/1976
McKellar	Kyle	4/6/2008
McKenny	Joel	8/24/2008
Messenger	Pam	4/22/2001
Mills	Maynard	6/7/1964
Mims, Jr.	Matthew	4/4/1993
Mims, Jr.	Edwin	12/27/1987
Mims, Jr.	Bryan	3/27/1994
Mitchell	Jeannie	10/22/2015
Mitchell	Gib	10/22/2015
Moore	Erin	8/20/2006
Morrisette	Cassandra	10/30/2011
Murano	Beverly	2/17/2013
Newman	Terry	12/11/1977
Nicholson	Chloe	5/27/2007
Noland	Tim	3/12/2006
Noland	Tara	3/12/2006
Orr	Carol	6/10/1986
Orr	Ben	6/10/1986
Orr	Jason	5/10/1987
Palmer	Megan	4/6/2008
Phillips	Michelle	3/21/2004
Pittman	Jennifer	4/15/1984

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Reinholz	Susan	12/16/2007
Reinholz	Joe	12/16/2007
Resimont	Zeta	2/10/2002
Resimont	Bill	2/10/2002
Reynolds	Edward	3/29/1970
Roberson	Betty	10/12/2003
Roberson	Nick	4/4/2004
Rogers	Susie	7/18/1999
Rollins	Geoff	4/21/2013
Satto	John	1/16/2000
Schmid	Bill	2/17/2013
Schmid	Dor	2/17/2013
Schwalm	Julie	6/3/1990
Schwalm	Charlotte	6/3/1990
Schwalm	Larry	6/3/1990
Schwalm	John	6/2/1991
Shaw	Irene	8/28/2005
Simmons	Mark	11/5/1978
Simonet	Pat	5/15/2005
Simonet	Dawn	5/15/2005
Smith	Karen	4/21/2004
Smith	Steve	4/21/2004
Smith	Leslie	10/16/2005
Spiegelberg	Susan	10/31/1988
Spiegelberg	Bryan	10/22/2000
Stiles	Price	4/6/1969
Stuart	Casey	6/15/2014
Stuart-Tibcken	Shannon	6/15/2014
Sumpter	Duncan	8/17/2003
Sumpter	Courtney	8/17/2003
Talak	Karen	4/29/2012
Talkington	Vergie	4/27/1980
Talkington	G.O.	4/27/1980
Tanney	Jared	4/9/1995
Teel	Renee	8/23/2015
Teel	John	8/23/2015
Thomas	Jenna	4/21/2004
Thompson	Michael	5/11/2003
Thompson	Chris	5/11/2003
Thorley	Joey	7/19/1998
Townsend	Brigitte	2/21/1999
Townsend	Mark	2/21/1999
Troxell	Jeanette	8/24/2008
Turner	Scott	3/28/1976
Turner, Jr.	Frank	9/8/1974
Turnipseed	Jane	3/9/1975

Uphouse	Shirley	8/22/2004
VanHorn	Carlton	2/27/2000
VanHorn	Patti	2/27/2000
Wareham	Addison	8/17/2003
Wareham	Liz	8/17/2003
Watson	Emily	4/9/1995
Watson	Elizabeth	4/5/1998
Watson	Paula	11/29/1981
Watson	Barry	5/10/1987
Watson	William	5/18/1997
Watson	Kellee	6/3/1990
Watson	Barry	5/10/1987
Watson	Jonathan	4/4/1993
Wells	Larry	10/28/2018
Wells	Marsha	10/28/2018
Wells	Sarah	6/30/1971
Wells	Jonathan	4/15/1984
Wells	Cheree	6/20/1993
Wells	Clesia	9/27/1992
Wells	Nicholas	6/12/2011
Westmoreland	Ethan	5/27/2007
White	Matt	10/28/2012
White	Jennifer	10/28/2012
Wilcox	Jessica	5/26/1996
Wilcox	Misty	3/27/1994
Wilcox	Heidi	1/23/1994
Wilcox	Angel	1/23/1994
Wilcox	David	1/23/1994
Williams	Cathy	9/20/1998
Williams	Roger	9/20/1998
Williams	Cody	4/4/2004
Williams	Timmy	3/28/1999
Winchester	Ellen	3/13/1960
Winkle	John	5/11/2003
Winkle	Mary	5/11/2003
Winters	Jon	2/17/2013
Woods	Tina	3/21/1999
Woods	John	3/21/1999
Yankouski	Vic	11/17/2019
Yates	Walt	4/16/2000
Yates	William	4/4/2004
Yeager	Lois	9/20/1998

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LOST SHEEP MISSING AN ADDRESS

Last Name	First Name	Date Joined
Adams	Arthur	5/25/1997
Allen	Rebecca	4/11/1965
Allen	Lacretia	8/30/1964
Allen	Crystal	2/23/1997
Alverson	Kathryn	12/29/1991
Askue	Linda	8/20/2006
Askue	Richard	8/20/2006
Atkinson	Sharon	8/22/2004
Atkinson	Hal	8/22/2004
Auger	Cara	5/31/1998
Auger	Kelly	5/31/1998
Auger	Bruce	5/31/1998
Auger	Carmy	5/31/1998
Auger	Sheri	12/13/1998
Auger	Brian	12/13/1998
Ayer	Carey	9/18/1994
Ayer	Teena	9/18/1994
Banning	Lynnae	11/21/1985
Barber	Clara	5/3/1970
Bare	Margaret	9/24/1995
Baver-Wohlrab	Helen	11/11/2001
Bias	Deborah	11/29/1992
Bias	Ruth	11/29/1992
Bias	Michael	11/29/1992
Boland	Pam	12/27/1987
Boldt	Ginny	6/20/1993
Boldt	Arthur (Art)	6/20/1993
Brackett	Charlene	10/25/1966
Brackett	Pamela	4/11/1982
Brittain	Lonnie	4/15/1962
Bryan	Irene	2/27/2000
Bryan	George	2/27/2000
Carman	Krissy	4/3/1994
Carman	Pat	1/23/1994
Carman	Ken	1/23/1994
Carringer	David	3/23/1975
Causey, Jr.	Roberta	4/7/1991
Chastain	Pamela	8/14/1960
Cline	Andy	1/29/1995
Cline	Sharon	1/29/1995

Cobb	Rayna	4/15/1954
Cobb	Robert	4/15/1954
Cole	Elizabeth	5/6/1984
Collins	David	4/1/1984
Cornwell	Ann	1/23/1994
Davis	Tina	4/10/1960
Davis	Pat	9/6/1970
Davis	Jefferson	6/3/1990
Dockery	Barry	3/21/1999
Farmer	Brandon	5/14/1995
Finch	Bill	8/22/1993
Folan	Kathleen (Kathy)	8/22/1993
Folan	Michael (Mike)	8/22/1993
Forrester	John	5/28/1961
Foster	Catherine	5/25/1997
Frisbee	Jackie	5/25/1997
Frisbee	Ned	5/25/1997
Gilbert	Daniel	11/28/2010
Goodrich	Phyllis	9/14/1969
Goodrich	John	9/14/1969
Guske	Joshua	10/27/1996
Guske	Amanda	3/28/1999
Hallgren	Susan	9/18/1994
Hallgren	Herbert	9/18/1994
Hallgren	Suzan	5/18/1997
Haney	Vicky	3/16/1975
Haney	Dawn	3/16/1975
Haney	Richard	3/16/1975
Haney	Alene	3/16/1975
Hargett	Erin	9/20/1998
Harrell	Deborah	8/23/1987
Helton	Elizabeth	3/19/1967
Hensley	Herbert	4/10/1960
Hensley	Deborah	3/28/1969
Howard, Jr.	Alexander	4/15/1962
Howell	George (Nick)	
Howell	Katherine	3/25/2007
Hubbard	Dickey	3/22/1964
Hyatt	William	7/9/1967

LOST SHEEP MISSING AN ADDRESS --- CONTINUED

Jones	Travis	9/18/1994
Jones	Teleana	5/31/1998
Kenny	Doris	12/16/2007
King	Lewis	6/3/1990
King	Stephen	4/12/1992
Kirchner	Mary	11/16/2003
Kirchner	Bob	11/16/2003
Kirchner	Jessie	11/16/2003
Kline	Marcia	10/3/2004
Kruse	Dawn	11/9/2003
Kuchta	Adda	10/22/2000
Leonard	Darlene	3/18/2001
Leonard	Bob	3/18/2001
Lieffring	Genne	10/12/2003
Lieffring	Chuck	10/12/2003
Long	Mary	4/21/2004
Lowery	Shelli	10/9/1983
Lowery	Candace	10/9/1983
Lyons	Mari Lyn	12/12/1993
Lyons	Pat	12/12/1993
Mahoney	Margery	4/7/1991
Major	T.J.	4/4/2004
Mason	Gloria	2/22/1998
Mason	Chuck	2/22/1998
Mays	Carrie	5/21/2000
Mays	Thomas	5/21/2000
McClure	Dustin	6/20/1993
McCoy	Theresa	9/25/2011
McCoy	Wesley	9/25/2011
McKay	Jessie	4/12/1992
McKeon	Vanessa	9/8/1974
Mercer	Robert	10/18/1998
Miller	Ailene	5/15/2005
Morrow	Jennifer	9/25/2011
Moutrie	Steven (Steve)	3/23/1997
Moutrie	Kathlene (Kathy)	3/23/1997
Murphy	Micah	7/19/1998
Nichols	Melody	1/25/2009
Owens	Tonya	3/21/1993
Palmer	Amanda	11/29/1992
Pearce	Dan	5/22/2005
Pearette	Doris	5/25/1997
Pearette	Cecil	5/25/1997
Peters	Terri	9/18/1994
Phillips	Kaye	9/16/2001
Pierce	Elizabeth	2/20/2011
Pierce	Dan	2/20/2011

Reidenback	Gail	1/16/2000
Reidenback	Bob	1/16/2000
Reinhardt	Susan	6/13/2010
Reinhardt	Jon	6/13/2010
Rogers	Kathi	11/28/2010
Savastone	Edna	9/27/1992
Sawvell	Letha	9/17/2006
Scott	Elizabeth	9/4/1960
Sills	Susann	3/12/2006
Sills	Scott	3/12/2006
Size	Thomas	4/2/1961
Smith	Roy	9/18/1994
Smith	Cathleen	2/16/2003
Smith	Wanda	1/21/2001
Spidell	Jessica	5/18/1997
Stinnett	Chris	8/22/1993
Sturgess, Jr.	Jo Ann	5/13/1973
Sturgess, Jr.	Harvey	5/13/1973
Sudbury	Bill	12/5/1999
Summers	Dean	7/18/1999
Summers	Freddie	7/18/1999
Swanson	Kimberly	6/20/1993
Swingle	Mary Jo	2/21/2010
Swingle	Bill	2/21/2010
Tanney	Ashley	5/26/1996
Tanney	Shan	4/5/1998
Tanney	Brooke	3/28/1999
Temple	Kathryn	4/6/1980
Tolliver	Barbara	2/22/1998
Turpin	Denise	4/21/2004
Ulrich	Jaramy	4/16/2000
Vetten	Cornelius (Cory)	3/23/1997
Vetten	Jamie	3/23/1997
Vetten	Cornelius (Corky)	3/23/1997
Vetten	Nicholas (Nick)	3/23/1997
Wagoneer	Elaine	2/22/1998
Wagoneer	Terry	2/22/1998
Wallace	Ronald	9/24/1995
Warner	Betty	4/2/1961
Weimer	Charlotte	11/10/1991
Welker	Jane	7/20/2003
Wells	Hubert	
Wells	Stephen	4/7/1963
Wells	Megan	3/23/1997
Wells	Marcia	3/23/1997
Wells	Arthur	3/23/1997
West	Marlin (Whitie)	12/30/1990
Williams	Lorraine	8/22/1993
Williams	James	6/12/2011



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 COMMUNION SUN 10am Adult SS Class 10am Playground Church 10:55am Worship 11:15am Children's Church (K-2nd) 5pm AA Mtg	2 11:45am Chair Exercises 3pm Preschool Cohort Mtg	3 9:30am Offering Counters 5pm Nom&Lead Dev Mtg 5:30pm VRR	4 9:30pm Mom's Grp 10am Foster Grandparents 11:45am Chair Exercises 3:30pm Genesis Ch 4:30pm Wesley Ringers 6pm Choir Reh.	5 10am Quilters 11am Soul Table	6 11:45am Chair Exercises	7 9am UMM Executive Mtg
8 10am Sunday School Classes 10:55am Worship 11:15am Children's Church (K-2nd) 5pm AA Mtg	9 10am Wood Carving 11:45am Chair Exercises	10 9:30am Offering Counters 5:30pm Trustees	11 9:30pm Mom's Grp 11:45am Chair Exercises	12 10am Quilters 5:30pm Finance 6pm Common Ground	13 11:45am Chair Exercises	14 8am UMM Mtg
15 Fellowship Lunch 10am Sunday School Classes 10:55am Worship 11:15am Children's Church (K-2nd) 12pm Fellowship Lunch 5pm AA Mtg	16 9am VAYA Health 11:45am Chair Exercises 12pm Missions Team 5:30pm Admin Council	17 9:30am Offering Counters 5:30pm VRR	18 9:30pm Mom's Grp 11:45am Chair Exercises 11am Greeting Card 12pm Willing Hands 3:30pm Genesis Ch 4:30pm Wesley Ringers 6pm Choir Reh.	19 10am Quilters 11am Soul Table	20 11:45am Chair Exercises	21
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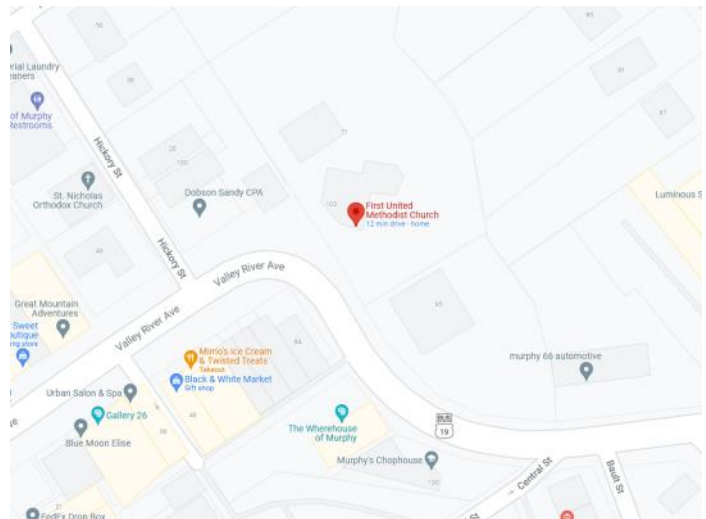
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