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#### **First United Methodist Church**

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The Gift of Giving

We see the workers doing their thing around the church these days and it is a good thing, but they cannot do it alone. I am calling on each of you to do just a little more!

A little more of what we have made covenant with God to do through this church. When we joined the church, we made a covenant agreement with God to give of our time, talents, gifts, service, and our witness. While we have activity around the church what can we do?

Pray more. These workers are in the heat and working at times at great heights. Although they are trained for this, prayers for safety and strength are appreciated.

Talents. If your gift is encouragement, then encourage them. Stop by and just say thank you for what they are doing to bring beauty to your church! If your gift is hospitality, then bring them something for a snack break or an extra water. Do something to share the talent you have been given.

Gifts. At present time we are financially challenged to complete all the work that needs to be done. Your church has money invested through the Mississippi Methodist Foundation that we have access to if needed, but I am prayerful that each of you reading this can give of your abundance, in faith, to cover the cost of the work being done. Several have already begun this generosity and we are grateful.

The facts are that we are receiving monthly about \$6,000 less than our general monthly expenses, which deletes any savings very quickly. Can you increase your monthly gifts?

The work on the exterior church is estimated at \$75,000 of which we have \$45,000 in the bank with a reserve invested at the Foundation. Can you give a one-time gift above and beyond your monthly giving?

We have repairs that need to be done to an air conditioning unit that totals an estimated \$5,000.

Some of the most worshipful times I've had in Church was when I was able to give some finances to God when my finances were tight or when I was able to contribute to something that was important to the church.

As I present my gift during the tithes and offering, I am thinking how hard that was, but it felt good.... When we worship God with our giving it draws our hearts closer to Him.

Giving is like spiritual aerobics its good for the heart and it even makes it stronger...

We must remember something about money, God doesn't need our money.

He owns all the silver and gold and all the cattle on a thousand hills, but what He wants is what our money represents. - That is our heart... See, when you and I Worship God not only with song, words, or actions but also with our giving it draws us closer to Him.

Wherever your money is that is where you heart is. So, the first thing that you and I should remember about giving is that it draws us closer to God.

We appreciate your prayers and are grateful for what God leads you to do next.

Gratefully,

Rev. Gary Glazier

Hollis Cheek, Administrative Council Chairperson

Wes Carter, Finance Chairperson

	FUMC Financials	Weekly Oppo	ortunities
Tithes and Offerings January: \$19,913.80		9:00am 10:00am 11:00am	Sunday School Worship Choir Practice
January: February:	\$18,640.00	Monday	
March: April:	\$35,440.80 \$33,261.35	9:00am 11:00am	Tai Chi in the fellowship hall Book Club first Monday of each month
May: June:	\$17,058.00 \$17,395.53	<b>Tuesday</b> 1:15pm	Computer class first Tuesday of
July:	\$34,399.00	Time TBD	each month Senior Activities second Tuesday of each month
Giving online is a convenient, safe way to send your tithes and offerings to the church.		<b>Wednesday</b> 12:00pm 4:30pm 6:00pm	Bible Study Homebound meals Wednesday Night Activities
GIVE ONLINE: go to our website		, i	Wednesday Night Activities
<b>fumckosciusko.com</b> and click on the word give and follow the link.		Thursday 9:30am 10:30am	Tai Chi in the fellowship hall Ladies Bible Study in the chapel

### **AUGUST 2023 PRAYER LIST**

Church members who are at Atwood: Dr. Bob Gilliland, Bill and Carolyn Mitchell.

Kosciusko VA Home: Joe Doty

**Attala County Nursing Center**: Tex Ritter

Morning Point Assisted Living Tuscaloosa: June Stokes

<u>Church Family</u> Ginger Alexander
Frank and Sissy Bailey
Doris Blaylock
Paul Comfort
Family of Catherine Crout
Charlie Davis
Ernestine Dees
Frankie Dorsey
Walker Hill
Leesa Grey McBride
Jeanette Oakes

Al Ray
CB Ray "Buck"
Larry Rea
Carolyn Richardson
Ina Rigby
Dan Ryder
Glenda Sanders
Dorothy Sides
Barry Simmons
Teachers and Students
Ben Terry
Ron Tisdale
People of Ukraine
Ron West
Jim Wilkerson
Wanda Witzel

#### **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

Eli Cade	08.11	Hank Jones	08.25
John Wiggers	08.16	Sissy Bailey	08.26
Angela Clark	08.18	Mavis Draper	08.26
John Davis	08.20	Tommy Davis	08.27
Barbara Burns	08.20	Matt Tucker	08.27
Doris Blaylock	08.23	Alicia Carter	08.28
Bill Musselwhite	08.24	Diane Grey	08.31
Caroline Arrington	08.24	•	



### **AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES**

Marie & Cletone Pope	08.14
Judy & Charlie Davis	08.24
Rev. Doyle & Marie Mitchell	08.27



## **Wednesday Night Activities**

Adult Bible studies, Children and Youth Activities, and Wednesday night meals will start back August 16th. We are looking for volunteers to teach all age groups.

### **Senior Activities**

Senior Activities will be Tuesday, August 8th for a trip to Cock of the Walk. We will leave the church at 10:00am. Please let Dorothy or the office know if you plan to attend.

## **After School Care**

We will be welcoming back our After School Care children on Friday, August 4th. We look forward to a fun and exciting year!



# **Homebound Meals**

Homebound meals will start back this month. If you know of someone who needs a meal delivered to them, please call the church office or Mary Al Alford.