## First United Methodist Church

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#### A View From the Pew

By Peggy Keady

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### Choice

Life is full of opportunities to choose. Choosing is a necessity that we cannot avoid. Refusing to decide is a choice just the same. I was thinking about what our purpose is as Christians who are on assignment to earth. It is to love others as God in Christ Jesus loves us. How do we do this? Since every Christian is indwelt with the Holy Spirit we must choose to allow Him to pour out His love through us to others. In surrendering our wills to Him we become channels of blessing in our daily lives. Every person longs to be loved and to love back in return. It is only in Christ that our longing for love is realized. In the Letters written to the Church, we as believers are told repeatedly to love and honor our brothers and sisters in Christ. If we choose to obey the Agape love of God is manifested to the entire world.

"May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you." (1 Thessalonians 3:12)

Come, let us do as the Lord commanded and love Him with everything we have and love our neighbors as ourselves. Alleluia!

## **FUMC Financials**

Tithes and Offerings

January: \$27,276.00

February: \$19,660.00

March: \$18,957.00

April: \$20,683.00

May: \$31,349.60

June: \$29,659.00

July: \$20,094.86

Giving online is a convenient, safe way to send your tithes

and offerings to the church.

fumckosciusko.com and click on the word give and follow

the link.

## **Weekly Opportunities**

Sunday

9:00am Sunday School 10:00am Worship 11:00am Choir

Monday

9:00am Tai Chi in the fellowship hall 11:00am Book Club first Monday of each

month

**Tuesday** 

1:15pm Computer class first Tuesday of

each month

Time TBD Senior Activities second Tuesday of

each month

Wednesday

12:00pm Bible Study

6:00pm Wednesday Night Activities

Thursday

9:30am Tai Chi in the fellowship hall Ladies Bible Study in the chapel

## SEPTEMBER 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

**Church Family** 

Ginger Alexander Frank and Sissy Bailey Doris Blaylock

Paul Comfort Charlie Davis Ernestine Dees Frankie Dorsey Walker Hill Leesa Grey McBride

Jeanette Oakes Roy Oliver June Stokes Family and Friends

Larry Ambrose Ashley Autry

Hal and Peggy Bishop

Sara Cain

Holly Carincross Nancy Falvey Corey Garrett Gloria Hamilton

Bill Lacey

Quejette Lawrence Pam Lindsey

Bud McCrory Rev. Redis Nash James Nunn

Jimmy Nunn Campbell Palmertree Laura Patterson Angel Pickett Al Ray

CB Ray "Buck" Larry Rea

Carolyn Richardson

Ina Rigby
Dan Ryder
Glenda Sanders
Dorothy Sides
Barry Simmons

Teachers and Students Ron Tisdale People of Ukraine Ron West

Ron West Jim Wilkerson Wanda Witzel

## **SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS**

Gwen Crout	09.01	Kim Crowe	09.20
Amelia Cade	09.01	Judy Davis	09.21
Tim Alford	09.03	Madeline Crowe	09.21
Catherine Petro	09.04	Max Cook	09.21
Ann Carter	09.07	Tanner Pettit	09.23
John Paul Alford	09.09	Charlie Davis	09.25
Angie Lacey	09.14	Tina Cheek	09.26
Carolyn Campbell	09.17	Rachel Cade	09.29
Liz Garrett	09.17		



## **SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES**

Rodger and Angela Clark 09.17



# **Office Closure**

The office will be closed Monday, September 4th in observance of Labor Day.

## **Senior Activities**

Senior Activities will be Tuesday, September 12th 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.

# **Homebound Meals**

September 6	Lasagna, salad, French bread Ham, mac and cheese, broccoli	
September 13		
September 20	Meat loaf, mashed potatoes, peas	
September 27	Potato Bar, crackers	

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