

VISITOR INFORMATION

List all those with you today  
(please list children's ages):

Check all that apply:

- ☐ First-time Visitor ☐ Regularly Attend
- ☐ Visiting Family / Friends
- ☐ Would like more information
- ☐ Interested in membership

If this is your first time with us, please  
leave your contact information.

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Sign up for the Newsletter  
to receive weekly emails.



MEMBER ATTENDANCE

List names of all members in attendance:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Changes to your contact information?  
Fill out the updates above.

Nov. 23rd- Nov. 30th

**SUNDAY 23—Commitment Sunday**  
10:30am JAM Kidz Church  
10:45am Worship Service  
12:00pm Mission Lunch Fundraiser  
4:00pm Time of Prayer  
5:00pm First Youth

**MONDAY 24**  
6:00pm Recovery Group  
6:30pm Cub Scouts

**TUESDAY 25**  
6:00pm Recovery Group

**WEDNESDAY 26**  
Church Office Closed

**THURSDAY 27 - Thanksgiving**  
Church Office Closed  
6:00pm Recovery Group

**FRIDAY 28**  
6:00pm Recovery Group

**SUNDAY 30 - Advent, HOPE**  
9:30am Sunday School  
10:00am Chancel Choir  
10:45am Worship Service  
& Holy Communion  
5:00pm First Youth

Advent

November 30 – Hope  
December 7 – Peace  
December 14 – Joy  
December 21 – Love



Remember in Prayer

SHORT TERM PRAYER

- John Wojcik
- The Family of Gloria Moser
- Dr. Samuel
- Jerry Erickson
- Ollie Hall
- Jean Henderson
- Tammy Hildebrand
- Lonnie Jones
- Virginia Kochanowski
- Gary & Marlene Holden

LONG TERM PRAYER

- Neil Benecke
- The Carovich Family
- Kaye Coultry
- Dale May Dixon
- Bill Donoho
- Doug Greene Jr.
- Kathy Haist
- Sean Hale
- Evelyn Holloway
- Lisa Hurst
- Will Hyberger
- Steve Medley
- Judy Ownby
- Bill Pelfrey
- Cathy Smith
- Will Thorogood
- Jan Wolf



Tithes & Offerings

Receipts to Date \$ 511,938.19  
Expenses \$ 533,241.65

Tithes & Offerings can be  
placed in the collection  
plate, mailed to the church,  
or given online at  
clevelandumc.com



First United Methodist Church

Building a community of grace, well grounded in the Bible and spiritually connected  
in Christ, worshiping God and serving others to fulfill our mission together.

November 23, 2025 Commitment Sunday

Announcements & Greeting

Prelude Acolytes: Britton Gobble & Keylen Ratcliff

Invocation

Call to Worship *He Is Exalted*  
He is exalted, The King is exalted on high  
I will praise Him  
He is exalted forever exalted  
And I will praise His name

He is the Lord, Forever His truth shall reign  
Heaven and earth  
Rejoice in His holy name  
He is exalted, The King is exalted on high

\*Hymn *Crown Him With Many Crowns* UMH 327

\*Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's Creed UMH 881

Old Testament Lesson 1 Samuel 16:1-13 OT pg. 254

Stewardship Moment

Prayer for Shoeboxes

Call to Prayer *Sweet Hour of Prayer* UMH 496

Prayer & Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response *Sweet Hour of Prayer* UMH 496

Call for Offering

Mission Moment

Offertory

CHRISTMAS EVE

Candlelight Service

DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>  
4:00 PM

Doxology                      Glory be to the Father                      UMH 70  
And to the Son, And to the Holy Ghost  
As it was in the beginning, Is now and ever shall be  
World without end, Amen, Amen

New Testament Lesson                      Luke 23:33-43

Sermon                      A Commitment To Love                      Rev. Jerry Jones

Litany of Commitment

**Leader:** Gracious God, You have called us to be Your people, to love You fully and to love our neighbors as ourselves.  
**People:** We commit our hearts and lives to Your mission.  
**Leader:** You have blessed us with gifts of time, talent, and treasure. You invite us to be faithful stewards of all You provide.  
**People:** We offer our resources with joy and gratitude.  
**Leader:** You send us into the world to serve with compassion, to bring hope where there is hurt and light where there is darkness.  
**People:** We pledge to respond with open hearts and willing hands.  
**Leader:** In every act of generosity, in every word of witness, in every deed of mercy, may Christ be seen and known.  
**People:** We commit ourselves to bold witness, gracious service, and steadfast hope.  
**Leader:** Bless these commitments, O Lord, that through us Your kingdom may come on earth as it is in heaven.  
**All:** We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

\*Hymn                      Take My Life and Let It Be                      UMH 399

Benediction

Postlude                      The Blessing  
The Lord bless you and keep you  
Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you  
The Lord turn His face toward you  
And give you peace

Please remain standing until the postlude is over

Reverend Jerry Jones, Pastor  
Roberta Bishop Knight, Worship Director  
3425 N. Ocoee Street  
Cleveland, TN 37312



**MISSIONS LUNCH FUNDRAISER**

Join us in the Commons after worship for lunch **TODAY!** to raise money for missions. Donations taken at the door.

**The Caring Place Thank You!**

Last week we donated an overflowing barrel of food items to The Caring Place!

We are still continuing food collection as families recover from a loss of benefits. They have asked for a focus on proteins:  
Jars of Peanut Butter  
Canned Chicken  
Canned Tuna

Thank you for your generosity in grocery gift card donations.

We are still collecting grocery gift cards for our church families in need. Donations can be left in the church office or offering plate.

Nursery & Preschool Rooms are available every Sunday in the Christian Life Center.

A cry room is located upstairs by the balcony if needed.

**The METROPOLITAN BELLS**  
AT FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
**DECEMBER 4TH 7:30PM**

Let the office know if you can volunteer as a greeter.

**CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS**  
PDO – DEC. 8TH  
CDC – DEC. 9TH

Let the office know if you can be a greeter one or both nights at 6pm. (Programs start at 6:30)

The Arnold Elementary Choir will perform at First UMC in the Sanctuary on Tues. Dec. 9th at 9am. All are invited!

**Breakfast with Santa**  
December 13th  
9am – 10:30am

**STILL, STILL, STILL**  
1ST KIDZ CHRISTMAS PROGRAM  
DECEMBER 14TH  
10:45AM

**Prayer Requests**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Check all that apply:

☐ Prayer List    ☐ Prayer Chain    ☐ Staff Only

☐ Short-term    ☐ Long-term

Person Making Request: \_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Requests can also be sent to:  
**prayer@clevelandumc.com**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR

**Cookies & COCOA**  
With Santa  
Hosted by Inspired

SATURDAY | 20 DECEMBER | STARTS AT 1PM ENDS AT 5 PM

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
3425 N OCOEE ST CLEVELAND, TN 37312  
\$10 PER CHILD- INCLUDES ALL ACTIVITIES  
\$5 PER ADULT- INCLUDES COOKIES AND COCOA  
Cookies, Hot Cocoa, Pictures with Santa, Holiday Crafts

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Community Foundation of Ocoee Region