

Sunday, Sept. 13, 2026

We're Glad You're Here

Visitor & Member Attendance

Please list all those with you today;
tear off and leave in offering plate

Check all that apply:

☐ Member

☐ Regularly Attend

☐ First-time Visitor

☐ Visiting Family / Friends

☐ Would like more information

☐ Interested in membership

If this is your first time with us,
or if anything has changed,
please leave your contact info.

Address:

Phone:

Email:

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

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

All children are welcome to
stay in the Sanctuary during
worship service.

Sept. 13th – Sept. 20th	
SUNDAY 13	10:30am JAM Kidz Church – Gym Nursery & Pre-K – Gym 10:45am Worship Service 5:00pm First Youth – Gym 6:00pm Night of Worship—Narthex
MONDAY 14	6:30pm Cub Scouts – Gym 7:00pm Recovery Group – Commons
TUESDAY 15 – Hispanic Heritage Month starts	7:00pm Recovery Group – Commons
WEDNESDAY 16	12:00pm Pastor's Bible Study 5:30pm Dinner – Commons 5:30/6:00pm Adult Studies 6:00pm First Youth Kidz Choirs/Wild Is 6:30pm Chancel Choir 7:00pm Handbell Choir 7:15pm String Band
THURSDAY 17	7:00pm Recovery Group – Commons
FRIDAY 18	4:30pm First Youth Retreat drop-off 7:00pm Recovery Group – Commons
SATURDAY 19	7–7:30pm First Youth Retreat pick-up
SUNDAY 20	9:30am Homebuilder's Sunday School Murphy Memorial Sunday School 10:00am Chancel Choir 10:30am JAM Kidz Church – Gym Nursery & Pre-K – Gym 10:45am Worship Service *NO First Youth

Remember In Prayer
<u>Short Term Prayer</u> - The family of Geneva Adams - Barry Wood - The family of Will Thorogood - Barry Wood - Lila Switzer - Karen Wood - Missy Krebs
<u>Long Term Prayer</u> - Trey Biller - The Carovich Family - Buddy & Sarah Chance - Bill Donoho - Jane Ehly - Enid Furlong - Doug Greene Jr. - Mary Greer - Kathy Haist - Sean Hale - Ollie Hall - Jean Henderson - Tammy Hildebrand - Gary & Marlene Holden - Evelyn Holloway - Will Hyberger - Steve Medley - Kelley Murphy - Bill Pelfrey - Helen Pennington - Dr. Samuel - Elizabeth Samuel - Cathy Smith - Kitty Gentry Wier - Jan Wolf



First United Methodist Church

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

September 13th, 2026

16th Sunday after Pentecost

Announcements & Greeting

Prelude

Invocation

Call to Worship

Psalm 97

UMH 816

The Lord reigns; let the earth rejoice;
let the many coastlands be glad!

Clouds and thick darkness surround the Lord;
righteousness and justice are the foundation of God's throne.

Fire goes before the Lord,
and burns up his adversaries round about.

The Lord's lightnings illumine the world;
the earth sees and trembles.

The mountains melt like wax before the Lord,
before the Lord of all the earth.

The heavens proclaim God's righteousness;
and all the peoples behold God's glory.

All worshipers of images are put to shame, who make their boast
in worthless idols; all gods bow down before the Lord.

Zion hears and is glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoice,
because of your judgments, O God.

For you, O Lord, are most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.

The Lord loves those who hate evil; he preserves the lives of his
faithful; and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous,
and give thanks to God's holy name!

*Hymn

Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart

UMH 160

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostle's Creed

UMH 881

As we say this creed, we join Christians from all over the world,
past and present, in proclaiming our common faith.

*catholic applies to the universal, ecumenical Christian church.

Old Testament Lesson	Esther 4:9-17	
Call to Prayer	Cares Chorus	
Prayer & Lord's Prayer		UMH 895
*Hymn	Holy Forever	
*Call for Offering		
Offertory	He's Alive	
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 1:26-38	
Sermon	Esther: She Still Had To Say Yes!	
	Rev. Jerry Jones	
*Hymn	God of Grace and God of Glory	UMH 577
Benediction	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	

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NIGHT OF *Worship*
TONIGHT!
→ 5pm ←
In the Narthex

Please note time correction
for Night of Worship

WEDNESDAY NITERS

Pastor's Bible Study - 12:00pm
Dinner - 5:30pm
1st Kidz Choirs/Wild Y's - 6:00pm
First Youth - 6:00pm
Adult Classes - 5:30/6:00pm
Chancel Choir - 6:00pm
Bell Choir - 7:00pm
String Band - 7:15pm

**NATIONAL
HISPANIC
HERITAGE MONTH**

September 15 to October 15

SAVE THE DATE

Oct. 4th Children's Sunday
Oct. 7th No Weds. Niter
Oct. 12th Church Office Closed
Oct. 14th Pumpkin Patch Training
Oct. 25th Ladies of Lee
Oct. 27th Charge Conference
Oct. 28th Trunk or Treat!

Pumpkin Patch
FALL FUNDRAISER

First Youth & 1st Kidz are teaming up for a Pumpkin Patch Fall Fundraiser in the church field & pavilion October 16th - 31st.

A volunteer signup is coming soon for Youth & 1st Kidz parents & anyone interested to help with pumpkin sales.

All funds raised will go toward paying for First Youth & First Kidz dinners on Wednesday nights.

This is also a great opportunity to make an impact in our Community and spread the word about the wonderful things happening at First.



Pumpkins will be delivered on Friday, October 16th.
We will need help unloading

We are in need of: cinder blocks, wooden pallets, wagons to move pumpkins, & hay bales.

Please let Parker or Jill know if you can loan any of the needed items or if you can help unload pumpkins.

Prayer Requests

Check all that apply:

☐ Prayer List ☐ Prayer Chain ☐ Staff Only

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

Tithes & Offerings

Tithes & Offerings can be placed in the collection plate, mailed in, or given online

Receipts to Date **\$ 417,235.08**
Expenses **\$ 464,493.68**



Online Giving

Wednesday Dinner

9/16 at 5:30pm

Chicken Fingers & Mashed Potatoes



of Adults: _____
\$9 per person