Sunday, Sept. 20, 2026

Vistor & Member Attendance

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

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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, please leave your contact info

Address_____

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Phone_____

Email_____

Prayer Requests

prayer@clevelandumc.com

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Check all that apply:

☐ Prayer List ☐ Prayer Chain ☐ Staff Only

Sept. 20th - Sept.27th

SUNDAY 20

10:30am **JAM Kidz Church** - Gym
Nursery & Pre-K - Gym

10:45am **Worship Service**
***NO First Youth**

MONDAY 21

6:00pm **Cub Scouts** - GYM

7:00pm **Recovery Group** - Commons

TUESDAY 22

6:00pm **Elan Circle**

7:00pm **Recovery Group** - Commons

WEDNESDAY 23

12:00pm **Pastor's Bible Study**

5:30pm **Dinner** - Commons

5:30/6:00pm **Adult Studies**

6:00pm **First Youth** - Gym
Kidz Choirs/Wild 1s - Sanctuary

6:30pm **Chancel Choir**

7:00pm **Handbell Choir**

7:15pm **String Band**

THURSDAY 24

7:00pm **Recovery Group** - Commons

FRIDAY 25

7:00pm **Recovery Group** - Commons

SUNDAY 27

9:30am **Homebuilder's Sunday School**
Murphy Memorial Sunday School

10:00am **Chancel Choir**
Handbell Choir Rehearsal

10:30am **JAM Kidz Church** - Gym
Nursery & Pre-K - Gym

10:45am **Worship Service**

4:00pm **Time of Prayer** - Chapel

5:00pm **First Youth** - Commons & Gym

Short Term Prayer

- Mary Beaver
- Jomar Rosario

Long Term Prayer

- 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 20th, 2026 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Announcements

Prelude Acolytes: David Bennett and Cayden Smeltzer

Invocation

Call to Worship Romans 8:38-39

And I am convinced that nothing
can ever separate us from God's love.
Not death or life, not angels or demons
neither our fears for today nor our worries about tomorrow—
not even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love.
No power in the sky above or in the earth below
nothing in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.

***Hymn** *Blessed Assurance* UMH 369

Affirmation of Faith

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

Call to Prayer *Goodness of God*

Prayer & Lord's Prayer UMH 895

Prayer Response

***Hymn** *He Leadeth Me O Blessed Thought* UMH 128

***Call for Offering**

Offertory *Alpha and Omega*

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

Sermon Lazarus Rev. Jerry Jones

***Hymn of Response** *Hymn of Promise* UMH 707

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
And give you peace

Postlude *Please remain standing until the postlude is over and the acolytes have left the sanctuary.*

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Children's Ministry

Nursery & Preschool Rooms are avaiable in the Christian Life Center, through the Commons in the Gym.

A ***cry room*** is located upstairs by the balcony if needed. All children are welcome to stay in the Sanctuary during worship service.

1st Kidz (K-5th grades) meet in the Gym at 10:30am Sunday mornings

The first Sunday of each month 1st Kidz sit in worship service with their parents and can partake in Holy Communion.

Join us as 1st Kidz lead us in worship, Sunday, October 4th at 10:45am.

The Church Office will be closed on October 12th in Observance of Indigenous People's Day

CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED!
Trunk or Treat is just around the corner and it's time to start collecting candy!

Individually wrapped candy donations can be left in the Narthex throughout September and October.

Trunk or Treat
October 28th
5:30pm-7:00pm
Get ready for some fun!

First Youth & 1st Kidz are teaming up for a Pumpkin Patch Fundraiser in the church field & pavilion October 17th - 31st.

All funds raised will go toward paying for First Youth & 1st 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.

Sign up with the QR Code

Pumpkin Patch

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.

Tithes & Offerings

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

Receipts to Date
$ 433,930.08

Expenses
$ 469,146.08

Online Giving

Gifts to the Church

To the Youth Fund
In Honor of Parker Redmond
Bev Johnson

Wednesday Dinner

9/23 at 5:30pm

Chicken Fingers & Mashed Potatoes

Wednesday Dinner

# of Adults: ___
$9 per person
Kids & Youth eat for free