

STEWARDSHIP FOR 2020

2020 budget \$613,032.84
Receive November 15, 2020 Budget 11,511.89
Received to date, Budget 428,152.52
Received November 15, 2020 Bldg. 982.50
Received to date, Bldg. Fund 41,747.00

ATTENDANCE NOV. 15, 2020

Sunday School.....45
Worship Service.....47(includes ushers and leaders)
Virtual 11:00 AM Service..148
Total Worship.....195



THE WINDOW

of
FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
West Point, Mississippi
November 17, 2020

SOUND TECH: Mike Gammill
LAY READER: Bob Seitz

TECH TEAM: Art Shirley & Colby Brister

PRAYER CHAIN: Norma Atkins
Remember in Prayer

In the Hospital

At Home
Martha Bivens Boyce McNeece - Fulton
Sue Rushing Billy Buck Staggers
Laney Wooten Foster Kennedy
Jean Sarsgard Betty Sue Shumpert
Bennie Hitt

Christ the King Sunday
Sunday, November 22, 2020
11:00 AM
Matthew 25:31-46
"GLORY: Your Treatment of the Least"

ONLINE GIVING QR CODE

Dugan WP Living Center State Veterans Home, Oxford
Martha Priest Tommy Miller Neal Bivens
Bitsy Weaver
Geonette Pendley
Jennie Cantrell



The 11:00 AM worship Service is broadcast on WKBB 100.9 FM.

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1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18 says "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."

As disciples we should be grateful people, people who are aware of all the wonderful things that God gives and does for us. I am GRATEFUL for music. Music is an important part of worship and praise to God.

I am thankful that Mrs. Rachel has provided me with an environment that is warm, encouraging, and full of new possibilities. I am GRATEFUL that voice and guitar have helped me to feel and be more confident. Music has not stopped here at FUMC. It has changed, but it has continued. I have done voice virtually, in a private home, and now back in the church. I know God can hear me wherever I sing.

Palms 95:1 says "Oh come, let us sing to the Lord! Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation."

I pray that we all have hearts that can feel love, ears that can hear the music, and eyes that can see all our many blessings.

Millie Williams

Commitment Sunday will be Sunday, December 6th. Pledge cards will be mailed to members the week of November 30th. You may bring your pledge card to church, mail it to P.O. Box 293, drop it by the church office or call Julie at 494-1658 to turn in your pledge. Thank you for your continued support of the FUMC ministries.

We will not have a newsletter the week of November 23rd. Happy Thanksgiving from the FUMC staff.

What's Happening at FUMC.....

ANGELS IN APRONS

Nov. 9 - Nov. 22 - Sara Frances Stubbs & Jessi Sugg

* Even as we regather for in-person worship, we will continue to offer virtual worship on Sundays at 11AM on the radio and Facebook Live. You can also find the videos on You Tube.

Adopt-a-Family - It is time to think about our annual Adopt-a-Family Mission Project. We want to thank Joni and Bob Seitz who are in charge of this outreach project and Stacy and Belk Weems who coordinate the food. FUMC will adopt 17 families, and we need your help! We need people to help shop, wrap, deliver and donate funds. If you would like to donate, please designate AAF on your check. We also need boxes, wrapping paper, tape and bows. You can place these items in the shopping cart outside the Fellowship Hall. Please mark your calendars with these important dates:

- Monday, December 14th – Thursday, December 17th – Wrap Gifts (You may wrap in the Fellowship Hall or take the items home and wrap them.)
- Monday, December 21st 10.00 a.m. – Deliver gifts

Poinsettia Time Again - The United Methodist Women will be selling poinsettias again this year to raise funds for their mission projects. The cost is \$20.00, and the deadline to purchase will be December 6th. Please remember and honor friends and loved ones by purchasing these lovely plants. The honorees' names will be listed in a booklet, which will be distributed on December 13th, and the majority of poinsettias may be picked up on Saturday morning, December 12th from 9:00 until 12:00 in the Fellowship Hall. We

would like to keep 30 to place in the sanctuary during the Christmas season. A poinsettia form can be found in the newsletter.

UPPER ROOMS - The November/December Upper Rooms are in. If you would like us to mail or drop one off at your house, please call the church office.



MUSIC NOTES

Hello Church Family! First off, thanks so much to Gary Echols for his beautiful singing on November 8. Your

voice is just as beautiful as ever and the message of your song really hits home during these trying times.

If you still want to participate in our On-line Christmas Special, I'm extending the deadline for videos to November 22. Send me a video of you singing your favorite Christmas Carol, sharing your favorite Christmas memory, or contact me to receive a Christmas verse to read. The more people who participate in this project, the merrier! Just email or text me your video. It is that simple!

Don't forget our "Church Music 101" class which will begin meeting via Zoom on December 2 at 4:00. This class is for 4-8 grades and will cover a variety of topics pertaining to church music. The meeting ID is 889 662 6757 and the password is R6f7RP. This class is open to the public, so if you know of anyone who might be interested, invite them to join! Some adults have shown interest in this topic as well. If you are interested, let me know and I can begin a class for adults.

Make sure to join us for Worship on November 22. Jace and I will be singing a duet. Have a wonderful week singing to our Lord!

Rachel



I was at Camp Lake Stephens this past weekend with some of our Youth and we had a couple really great lessons. One of the things that we talked about

is that God has work for each of us to do! I can't tell you exactly what it is, but God looks at YOU and sees someone He values, someone who He wants work with to make the world a better place! That's right, YOU can help God make the world a better place! You can start by simply saying something nice to someone today! Spread some joy and happiness and know that God loves you!



This past weekend, we took 9 of our Junior High kids on a retreat to Camp Lake Stephens. We got

to escape into the woods to play some fun games, eat some good food, have some great small group times, and learn about God! Thomas Toole, a youth pastor and singer-songwriter from New Albany, offered up some powerful messages on Romans 5:3-5. We talked about suffering and how it leads us ultimately to greater hope! We all owe a HUGE thank you to Kiley McNamee for chaperoning with us!

We are continuing our "Mountains + Valleys" series at our youth gatherings and have enjoyed some great conversation on the story of Joseph! Make sure to come join us as we push on through it!

STEWARDSHIP...Thank you for your continued financial support of FUMC. If you need to check your remaining balance for the year, contact Julie at 494-1658. If you would like to send your tithe or donation to the church, please mail it to P.O. Box 293 or use the online app www.easytithe to donate. You can also scan the QR code on the front page of this newsletter and it will take you to the website. Thank you for continuing to send donations.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Steve Brown	Jean Sarsgard
Betty Sue Shumpert	Laney Wooten
Mary Margaret Case	Lila Usry
Daniel McBrayer	Foster Kennedy
Susie Purnell Randall	Emily Braddock Jones
Mamie Seitz	Billy Buck Staggers
Bennie Hitt	Mary Katherine Fowler
Mary Beth Boykin	Howard Miskelly
Ann Miskelly	Peyton Williams
Sherry Dragoo	Shannon Roberson
Kim Fears	Mike Meeks
Ashley Britt	Donna Donahoo
Price Brister	Anne Hinshaw Noble
Buddy Rushing	Walter Rushing
Ginger Martin	Ralph Nichols
Shane Kelly	Jim Murray
Donnie Hammack	
Elders and Workers @ Dugan Nursing Home	