



Tuesday, June 3 - Sew Joyful Ministry will meet 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday, June 4 - Bring salads, sandwiches, and desserts to share.

Saturday, June 7 - Men's Club meets at Jim's for breakfast 8 a.m.

Wednesday, June 11 - There will be NO Wednesday night supper.

Wednesday, June 18 - The menu for Wednesday night supper will be chicken salad, pasta salad, broccoli salad, tossed salad, and desserts. Text or call Elaine Crouch if you plan to come. Her number is 706-506-7527.

Tuesday, June 24— Sew Joyful Ministry will meet 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday, June 25 - There will be NO Wednesday night supper.

Sunday, August 17—Wedding Shower for Megan McGinnis and Patrick Durkin following the 11 a.m. service.

The Ladies' Friendship Circle will NOT meet
in June.

PRAYER REQUESTS

SHORT TERM

Darby Hall (good heart test results), Gene Moe (Traveling mercies), Linda Leonard (Traveling mercies), Laurie Roberson (mass), Dossie Privett (shoulder replacement recovery), Yvonne Norton (knee replacement), Colbi Jackson
Natalie O'Neal (graduating), Stella Turner (traveling in Europe), Darby Hall (continuing ed), Rachel Gross (c-section), Anne Lamont
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CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

The family of Alice Dotson, the family of Kenny King, the family of Linda Black, the family of Robert Crawford, the family of Linda Leslie, the family of Billy Hughes

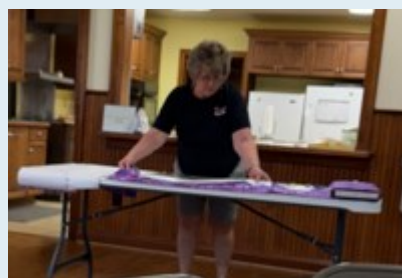
June BIRTHDAYS/ ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS:

06/04 Ava Hamilton
06/04 Elise Sullens
06/07 Grady Massey
06/12 Brent Williamson
06/16 Dee Slason
06/19 Krista Joyner
06/22 Dianne Fulton
06/23 Edie Chambless
06/23 DeJuan Jarrett
06/30 Mary Anna Bentley

ANNIVERSARIES

06/09 William & Elaine Crouch
06/17 Gene & Susan McGinnis
06/18 Carlton & Carroll
Andrews
06/29 Steve and Sandy
Weaver



Sew Joyful Makes Dresses

Several ladies met in May and made 2 1/2 dresses for the "Dress A Girl" project. Volunteers trimmed, cut, ironed and sewed.

There will be two meetings in June. They will be on June 3 and June 24. Everyone is welcome.

From the Pastor

I'm writing this on Memorial Day and I am doing my best to be a caregiver for Dossie right now, as she recuperates from having her shoulder replaced.

I think I've said this before, but I'm not really a fan of what Christmas has become. Christmas is supposed to be about the greatest gift that the world has ever been given and instead it has been hijacked to represent a crazy capitalistic attempt at making a profit for the year. I love Christmas. I just hate what Christmas has become. Unfortunately, I think the same thing has either happened or is happening to Memorial Day. I remember hearing and seeing the older members of the church I grew up in decorating the graves of soldiers when I was a little boy. Memories are always suspect, but I knew what Decorations Day was before I was a teenager specifically, because my Church was faithful in making sure that the graves of fallen soldiers were not forgotten. As I was watching TV, I realized that Memorial Day is being hijacked or has been hijacked as the unofficial start to summer. I think there was more news about how to grill and what to grill than about the men and women who died so that we could have a day when we might grill.

I watched an interview with a bunch of high school and college students on a beach in Florida. They were asked what was Memorial Day about? None of them got the answer, correct.

Memorial day honors those who gave their lives in service to our country. It's not a hill I want to die on, but in a lot of places, it says those who were killed in combat. I know too many people who were grievously wounded on the battlefield, but didn't die of their wounds until years later. I honor their sacrifice on Memorial Day.

Veterans Day is the day we honor all of those who are serving or have served their country.

Armed Forces Day, celebrated on the third Saturday of May, honors, those who are wearing the uniform currently.

To be certain, I'm not against barbecues or pool, parties, or anything like that. I just want us to remember that the price of the liberty we all take for granted was steep.

So I will say **Blessed Memorial Day.**

I have said this before and I truly mean it but I have gotten to experience firsthand what a good church Summerville First United Methodist Church is. Dossie had surgery Thursday morning,

May 22, and we got home from the hospital about 3 o'clock. Dossie was sleepy and drugged and I was afraid to leave the room just in case she decided she could get up and walk away. Around 5 o'clock one of Summerville's members delivered food. It was a tremendous blessing and one that used to be fairly common, at least in the south. Sadly, I think this tradition is being hijacked for several reasons in our modern society. But for everyone who is involved in Summerville First United Methodist Church, I encourage you to take advantage of this ministry if you have a family member who is having surgery. I could go on and on about how good the food is, but most of you already know that, and it would take away from the fact that it is a ministry, and it is a service to God.

Some of you will think, "I wouldn't want to put anybody out. Besides, I can always have something delivered." This misses the point; we are a family at church. I say every week, if you won't allow others to serve God by serving you, you rob them of their blessing. This tradition has its roots in the first months after Jesus' death. The apostles feed the widows and orphans. So, it must have been important to Jesus because his disciples made it a priority.

For me, this all flows into and out of Jesus' command to "Love one another, as I have loved you, so must you love one another."

The last leg of the stool for this month is a thank you to all who brought food, flowers and especially to those who sent cards of holy love. No one seems to send actual cards or letters anymore and I know for a fact that it is special to hold a card or letter that a loved one has actually held in their hands. That is a very special ministry and it blesses many people.

Love you all,
Wes

Dossie sends her love too.

Loved Ones may leave this world, but they never leave our *Hearts*.

Share these fabric hearts as your friends and family gather. Keep it close as a token of lasting memories.



*The Women's Friendship Circle of Summerville First United Methodist Church
is praying with you during this difficult time.*



The Friendship Circle recently made fabric hearts to put in the hospital for families who were dealing with end of life situations. Rita O'Neal and Chery Farrar delivered the hearts in a basket to be available for families and their loved ones.

*The family of
Linda Black
acknowledges with deep appreciation
your kind expression of sympathy*

*Dad and I are humbled by
your outpouring of love for
our family. Words cannot
fully express our appreciation
for your calls, cards, visits,
food, donations, and most of
all, prayers during mom's
extended illness and passing.
Candi*

Congratulations Graduates!



Mary Anna Bentley graduated from The University of Georgia with a Bachelor's Degree in Agricultural Communication.



Justin Hammitt graduated from Kennesaw State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science.

Bridal Shower for Megan McGinnis

The Women's Friendship Circle will host a bridal Shower for Megan McGinnis on August 17th after the 11 a.m. service. The shower will be in the Fellowship Hall. Megan will wed Patrick Durkin on October 4th. They will be living in New York after they are married. They are registered on Amazon and Walmart. Gifts purchased on both websites will be delivered to their house in New York. It would not be convenient to pack gifts and transport to their house. Megan and Patrick have plans to do renovation on their house and Lowe's gift cards would be **most** appreciated.



Lowe's gift cards would be very useful in their home renovation projects.

Walmart Registry can be located at.....

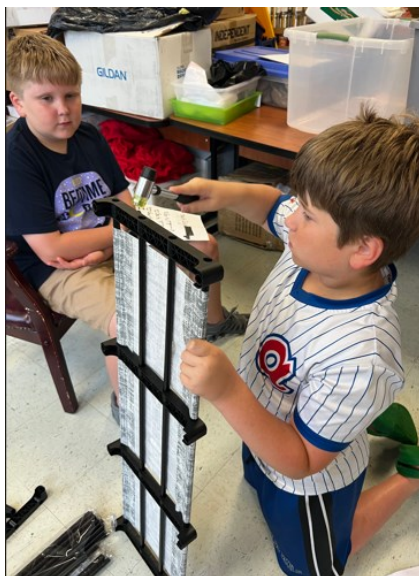
[tps://www.walmart.com/registry](https://www.walmart.com/registry)

You must put in Patrick Durkin and New York to locate the wedding registry.

Amazon Registry can be located at.....

https://www.amazon.com/wedding/registry/2XTWW08Q0LEVL?ref_=gr_landing_saved_wedding

Leroy Massey Elementary School asked for volunteers to help sort clothes for their clothes closet. Several of our members and others showed up to help. They are ready for next school year.



The Rock Garden



The Ladies' Friendship Circle took to the road for a day trip. They met for lunch at Christian and Jake's Deli in Calhoun. After lunch, they toured the Rock Garden located behind the Seventh-day Adventist Church. The garden was started in 2007 and continues to expand.



Financial Report

The finance team thanks those who have continued to financially support the church during this past year. Financial contributions should be mailed to this address. →

Mailing Address:
SFUMC
P.O. Box 187
Summerville, Ga.
30747

Financial Report Jan 1, 2025 through May 31, 2025

Operating Spending Plan

Receipts	\$45,616
Expenditures	\$57,598
Difference	<u>(\$11,982)</u>

Missions

Receipts	\$5,536
Expenditures	\$2,883
Difference	<u>\$2,653</u>

Morning Worship September (non-designated receipts)

General Funds: week 1	\$1,111
General Funds: week 2	\$4,369
General Funds: week 3	\$1,059
General Funds: week 4	\$696
Online Giving	\$276
TOTAL	<u>\$7,511</u>

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