# November 2025- Volume 8 Issue 10 The Disciples' Connection... First United Methodist Chilles

Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ, for the transformation of the world.

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### Volunteer Opportunities

Backpack Food Packing will be

November 18th at 12:30 in Rome.

#### **Rome-Floyd Community Kitchen**

Volunteers are needed Nov. 6th . Come at 9 a.m. We will work until noon.

### Membership Chairperson needed in 2026

Someone is needed to enter information into ICON system and keep it updated. This person would need to keep the current Members Book. A list of added and deleted members would also need to be kept. Carroll Andrews would be glad to work with the new person during the transition. Please let Liza Morgan know if you are interested in volunteering.

#### November 5

Bring your favorite soup, sandwich, or dessert to share.

November 12

Menu will be available later. Call or text Becky Uim at 908-310-2337 for reservations.

#### November 19

BBQ sandwich, baked beans, slaw, and chips. Call or text Susan McGinnis at 706-857-8009 for reservations.

#### November 26

No Wednesday night supper.

# Wednesday Night Supper Menus





### From the Pastor

Bishop Dease has challenged us as pastors to revisit and reimagine John Wesley's sermons for our century. I think that is a great idea and I'm interested in the different ways some of us will bring Wesley into the 21st century.

Christian Perfection, the Use of Money and a Caution Against Bigotry might be well worth reading and preaching among others.

As we near the end of October, I find myself thinking about All Saints Sunday. No one knows this church holy day as well as we do the day before. All Hallows Eve, or Halloween.

Saints get a bad rap in much of Christianity, but actually we are all saints according to scripture. The apostle Paul addresses his first letter to the church at Corinth and the letter to Ephesus, "to all the saints gathered in the churches." Saints are not a special breed of holy people who achieve some special status. According to scripture, pastors are called to **equip the saints** for the work of **service**, for the **building up of the body** of Christ (Ephesians 4:12).

This is not a New Testament development, several of the Psalms are addressed to God's saints. Psalm 116 says, "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."

I'll be brief, a saint is one who is set apart by God. That is a perfect definition of the church, the body of Christ, **a community of all believers called out** from the world to worship and serve God.

So, on the first Sunday of November, we remember the saints in our lives who have

ended their race in the past year, but we also take the time to remember all the saints who have touched our lives. The Sunday School teachers, grandparents, neighbors, everyone who contributed to our being the Christians we are today. That is what All Saints Day celebrates and remembers.

Happy All Saints Day, you saints of the church at Summerville, enjoy November and don't eat too much turkey.

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# Quilt Raffle

\* Sew Joyful is raffling off another quilt. This one is king sized, 110x110. Proceeds from this drawing will be presented to the church to help with ongoing expenses. Tickets are being distributed to members of the congregation to sell (relieves the burden of coming out of pocket!). Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Please return dollars collected and any unsold tickets by Monday December 1st. The drawing will be at Wednesday night supper on December 3,





This is a picture of Janyne S. She won the weekend raffle for the table top quilt at the Sequoia Quilt Show last weekend. Tickets for the church quilt were being sold and a drawing was made from those tickets only for the quilt topper. Jayne was excited to win as she never wins anything!





\* The winner of the quilt to benefit Alex Kaminski was Don McWhorter from Carrollton. Sew Joyful was able to present a check for \$2200 to Alex Kaminski. He was very grateful for the contributions and for the support by our church and ministry,

They group continues to work on the Quilted Hug Project, along with fidget/sensory blankets for Alzheimer and dementia patients.

#### **Upcoming Project Days are:**

Monday, November 3
Thursday, November 20
Monday, December 1
Thursday, December 18

### Friendship Circle Meeting In October

Angie Hutchins spoke to the ladies about new programs and opportunities to serve.
She is the director of the Chattooga County Community Resource Center.



sew Joyful



The Sew Joyful ladies made 90 tissue holders that were placed into gift baskets for Veterans taking the Honor Flights to Washington DC.

The next meetings of Sew Joyful will be November 3rd and November 20th. Come anytime from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. You can come for a little while or all day. Everyone is invited.

# Fun Day at the Halloween Walk



Thank you for the donations of candy. We appreciate our volunteers for setting up and handing out candy during the walk.

# pirectory Updata

With the holidays coming, we would like an up-to-date Directory. Please contact Carroll Andrews to update your address and phone numbers if they have had changes.

# Thank you note to Sew Joyful

To Sew Joyful, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to each of you for the beautiful quit you created and gifted one- you named the Hope beefor even knowing my name, and that simple act has fouched me deeply The guilt . 13 so much more than fabric and stitching - It corries warmth, care, and faith that I will cherish for gears your kindness and generally in helping welcome we back home with such a meanigful gift has me humbled. Along with all With deepest grafitude, ( Hope) the Kindness shown me through organizations that you have a part of. I feel surranded by love and uplifted by your spirit of service. Please know that your work has brought Inspiration and comfort togoilts many . Every time I wrap myself in Hope, I am reminded not only of the guilt itself but of the godness and faith that created it.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

#### **Prayer Concerns**

Bill Anger (Dossie's friend), Betty Davis (Rita's mom), People affected by the hurricane, everyone affected by the government shutdown, Terri Garnsey (good results on blood), Linda Archer, Taylor & Kristin Ulm (wedding), Barbara Dodd, Lynne Lee, Gene Moe (traveling mercies), Jim Amos (Angie's cousin, bypass surgery), Clay Burdette (Angie's cousin, surgery recovery), Brett Cordele (Barb's great grandson), Darby Hall (school), Dave Owens, Wendall Still, Margaret Hyde, Jack Erdman, Debbie Simpson (TIA)

#### **LONG TERM**

Darby Hall (heart), Natalie Burnley (heart), Jim Medici (Dossie's brother), Jill Spears (MRI), Becca Slason, Gail Allen, Carter Black, Diane Fulton, Lucille Hamby, Ben McCool & family, Jane McCool, Kassidy McCool, Diane McConnell, Dossie Privett, Jeffrey Floyd

#### **CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY**

The family of Emily Stripling, the family of Alice Cox, the family of Charlotte Persons, the family of Elijah Espy, the family of Randy Jennings, the family of Steve Nasca Jr., the family of Jimmie Sue Kirby



Congratulations to Jordan and Josh Turner on the birth of their twin girls.
Their names are Carrie Kate and McKenzie Mae.
Jordan is the daughter of

Candi Forester and granddaughter of Carter Black.



Wes and Dossie Privett

#### **BIRTHDAYS:**

11/14

DIKT HDATS:	
11/02	Megan Durkin
11/03	James Archer
11/07	Sawyer Hunt
11/08	Harold Chesley
11/11	Elaine Prince
11/14	Wes Privett
11/16	Jonathan Fulton
11/20	Ben Housch
11/20	James Rains
11/26	Carter Robitaille
11/28	Paul Garnsey
<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>	
11/02	Blake and Krista Joyner

#### **Financial Report**

Financial Report January 1, 2025 through October 31, 2025

 Receipts
 Expenditures
 Difference

 \$105,020
 \$120,590
 (\$15,570)

**MISSIONS YTD:** 

Receipts \$8,356 Expenditures \$6,498 Difference \$1,858

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

#### Offering for the General Funds for October are listed below:

10/5 \$4,270

10/12 \$1,230

10/19 \$2,013

10/26 \$930

Online Giving \$246

Total \$8,689

#### **On-line Giving is NOW Available**



SFUMC now has online giving available. Just scan the QR Code to the right and it will connect you to the church page.



#### **SERVING @ SFUMC**

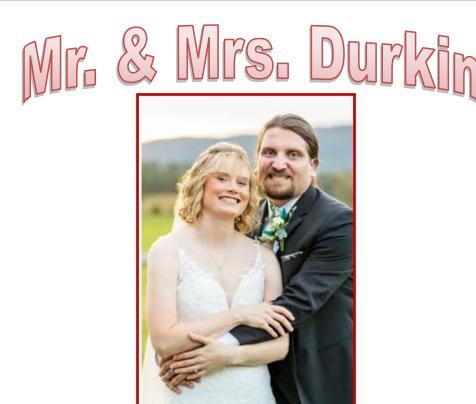
#### Men's Club Meets on November 1

All Men are invited to meet at Jim's at 8:00 a.m. for breakfast and fellowship. Plan to attend and bring a friend.

#### Friendship Circle Meets on November 13

November 13 at the Wildflower Café in Mentone (lunch). Meet at the church at noon. We will carpool from there.

The Friendship Circle Christmas Lunch will be on December 15 at 12:30 p.m. It will be at the home of William and Elaine Crouch. Mark your calendar. More details in the December newsletter.



Megan and Patrick were married on October 4. We wish the newlyweds the very best.













# Feeding the Chattooga High Football Team

We fed the football players, managers, and coaches on October 10th in our Felllowship Hall. There were approximately 70 who were served "all you could eat" grilled cheeseburgers, mac and cheese, chips, dessert, and drink.

Thank you to all of the cookie and brownie bakers who provided for:

The CHS football team

And

Chattooga County Young Farmers'

fundraiser

# Feeding the Hungry SFUMC Partners with DFACS In Chattooga County

November needs are EVERYTHING.

## Flowers On the Altar

If you want to place flowers on the altar to praise God for His unconditional love, or in honor or memory of someone, please sign up on the "Flower Calendar" in the Sanctuary.

Operation Christmas Child delivers great joy and the Good News of Jesus Christ to children in need around the world through gift-filled shoeboxes. Each box packed full of quality toys, school supplies, and personal care items becomes a

tangible expression of God's immense love for the child. For many, it is their first gift ever!

Boxes are available in the sanctuary if you wish to pack your own box. Boxes need to be returned to the church by

November 16.





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