



# October 2023 Newsletter

First United Methodist Church 1403 West Sunset Street Nashville, Arkansas 71852

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## A Note From Pastor Gary . . . . .

I was fortunate to have a broad palette of religious traditions in my upbringing. Our neighbors (across the street) were Roman Catholic and when my mom went to work I stayed with them. In the summer I was that kid that shuffled around to all the VBS programs in town. Across from my Elementary School was an Assembly of God church we went to once a month for Christian stories on flannel board. In my teen age years the Baptist, the Presbyterian, and a few others were where I visited. I even went to the Episcopal Church for Midnight Christmas Eve Communion.

The first Sunday of October is World Wide Communion Sunday which is observed not only by the United Methodist Church but by many other denominations throughout the world. The “holy catholic church” that the Apostles Creed speaks of – a universal understanding that we are all bound together in Christ.

Wednesday, the 4<sup>th</sup>, I’ll be offering a “Blessing of the Animals” on the east parking lot at 6:00 pm. For many pets are a part of their family and as such we in the church should celebrate and recognize the love that we share with our pets.

We welcome the Stanleys into the fellowship of our church. If you haven’t met them make sure to find them in church and greet them.

Enjoy the fall! The heat of summer is behind us and the cold of winter is yet to be seen. Stop and appreciate the changing of the colors and the beauty of the cycle of life our home goes through every year. Thank God for this place and this time. Blessings. Bro. Gary

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*Rev. Gary Harrison*

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## August 2023 Financial Update

We’ve just completed the third quarter of 2023. Please review the numbers below and see where we stand with our finances.

### Church Budget needs after 35 Sundays thru September 31, 2023

Budget: \$ 212,511

Received: \$ 166,154

Difference: **-\$ 46,357** or **-21.81% behind**

Please be in prayer for our church and its finances as we enter into the fourth quarter of 2023. We need to focus on our finances of the church and try to get caught up with our financial givings. You may mail your offering to the church or drop it off at the office or place it in the slot on the front door. We thank each of you for remembering the Lord with your tithes and offerings.



October 1 - Luke Reeder  
 October 2 - JoJo Reed  
 October 4 - Beth Lamb  
 October 7 - Cassidy Beene  
 October 11 - Joyce Pinkston  
 October 13 - J.D. Dickinson  
 October 13 - Amy Reeder  
 October 14 - John Robert Schirmer  
 October 14 - Debbie Semmler  
 October 14 - Zane Keeney  
 October 15 - Maggie Worthington  
 October 15 - Jay Worthington  
 October 16 - B.G. Coulter  
 October 16 - Chris Willard  
 October 17 - Dana Carlton  
 October 17 - Nancy Schwope  
 October 21 - Jamie Radcliff  
 October 22 - Kaylie Couch  
 October 25 -Lori Harrison  
 October 25 - Wyatt Ackley  
 October 27 - Abby Hart  
 October 27 - Cay Teague  
 October 30 - Dickey Dunn  
 October 31 - Sherry Turley

**Acolytes for October**

Oct. 1..... Talon Stanley & Minka Stanley  
 Oct. 8..... Wyatt Kuykendall & Presley Bennett  
 Oct. 15..... Jaylee Hughes & Jayci Stanley  
 Oct. 22..... Ember Boyce & Minka Stanley  
 Oct. 29..... Talon Stanley & Wyatt Kuykendall

**Ushers for October**

Oct. 1.....Volunteers  
 Oct. 8.....Volunteers  
 Oct. 15.....Volunteers  
 Oct. 22.....Volunteers  
 Oct. 29.....Volunteers

**Liturgist for October**

Sept. 3..... Mike Myers  
 Oct. 8.....Connie Castleberry  
 Oct. 15.....Gerald Moses  
 Oct. 22..... Dexter Boyce  
 Oct. 29.....Telia Dunn

**Children's Moments for October**

Oct. 1..... Carol Ackley  
 Oct. 8..... Judy Cassady  
 Oct. 15.....Dede Robinson  
 Oct. 22.....Telia Dunn  
 Oct. 29..... Lori Harrison

**Children's Church for October**

Oct. 1.....Annie Washburn  
 Oct. 8.....Deadra Washburn  
 Oct. 15.....Jennah Bennett  
 Oct. 22..... Vickie Kuykendall  
 Oct. 29..... Rhonda Moses

**Children's Church Helpers for October**

Oct. 1..... Jayci Stanley  
 Oct. 8..... Minka Stanley  
 Oct. 15..... Jaylee Hughes  
 Oct. 22.....Kale Hughes  
 Oct. 29..... Talon Stanley

**Money Counters for October**

Oct. 1..... Telia Dunn & Mary Boozer  
 Oct. 8..... Marilyn Hockaday & Gerald Moses  
 Oct. 15..... Gary Dan Futrell & Gail Milum  
 Oct. 22..... Telia Dunn & Mary Boozer  
 Oct. 29..... Marilyn Hockaday & Gerald Moses

**Need volunteers to  
 do snack for the  
 Youth  
 in October**

*Memorials*

Given in Memory Of

Donna Henderson

*Cynthia Crisp*

Donna Nannemann

*Carolyn Ellis*



First  
United  
Methodist  
Women  
Of  
Nashville

October 2, 2023  
First United Methodist Women  
at 11:30 am  
Brown Bag Lunch



Young and older come help make our  
Christmon Tree fantastic.  
We will start making some new  
Christmon Ornaments.



All women are invited to help make the  
ornaments for the children to hang at the  
Hanging of the Greens on November 26.

Bible Study with Jack Bennet on Acts / October 16 at 1:30 pm  
Joy Circle on October 16 at 6pm. Food / Pot Luck

**2023 Northwest District  
Charge Conference**

**Sunday, October 22  
at 2:00pm  
in the Fellowship Hall**

**Finance Meeting  
Sunday, October 8  
12:00pm  
in the  
Redeemed Classroom**

**Administrative Board  
Mtg.  
Sunday, October 8  
At 3:30pm  
In the Fellowship Hall**

New Members



*We are pleased to announce our newest members:  
Chad, Sara and Minka Stanley. Jayci and Talon  
come in as constituent members.*



# Nashville First United Methodist Church Calendar of Events

## October 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> <i>World Communion Sunday</i>	<b>2</b> First UMW Meeting 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall (brown bag lunch) Monthly meeting & making new Christmons	<b>3</b> Mother's Day Out 9-2 PEO Meeting 6:00pm	<b>4</b> Kids Club 3:00pm Children's Choir 5:00pm Chancel Choir 6:00pm	<b>5</b> Mother's Day Out 9-2	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> Finance Meeting 12:00pm in the Redeemed Classroom Administrative Brd. Mtg. 3:30pm	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> Mother's Day Out 9-2	<b>11</b> Kids Club 3:00pm Children's Choir 5:00pm Chancel Choir 6:00pm	<b>12</b> Mother's Day Out 9-2	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> Bible Study with Jack Bennett 11:30 in the Fellowship Hall Joy Circle 6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Kids Club 3:00pm Children's Choir 5:00pm Chancel Choir Dinner 6:00pm	<b>19</b> Mother's Day Out 9-2	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Master Gardeners Meeting in the Fellowship Hall 5:00pm	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> Kids Club 3:00pm Children's Choir 5:00pm Adult Chir 6:00pm	<b>26</b> Mother's Day Out 9-2	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> Charge Conference 2:00pm in the Fellowship Hall	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Mother's Day Out 9-2				<b>Sunday Schedule:</b> 9-4:5am S. S. Class 10:50 am Morning Worship 5:00 pm Youth





Brayden and Alyssa Cupples are proud to announce  
the birth of their daughter,

***Marybeth Caroline Cupples***

born on September 14, 2023.

She weighed 7 pounds and 7 ounces and measured  
19 and 3/4 inches long.

Marybeth is welcomed by her big brother,  
Brayson and big sister, Charlotte.

She is also welcomed by her  
grandparents, Jason and Lisa Boozer;  
great grand-parents, Tom and Mary Boozer.



**Nashville First United Methodist Church  
will have  
“Blessing of the Animals”**

**Wednesday, October 4, 2023  
6:00pm  
at the East Parking Lot  
Bring your pet by to receive a special blessing.**



**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Boxes are available in the Foyer**  
Return by Nov. \_\_\_\_—Postage \$10  
Instructions are inside the box

You may take a box and fill with your goodies  
You may buy bulk amount of items to be used  
You may turn in a monetary gift and let UMW buy and fill the boxes



A Sweet Little Pumpkin  
is on her way!

Please join us for a baby shower honoring

*Leslie (Ackley) Crews*

Saturday, October 28, 2023

2:00pm - 4:00pm

at the  
First United Methodist Church  
1403 West Sunset Street  
Nashville, Arkansas

Registered at: Amazon



First United Methodist Church Service  
September 3, 2023  
Photos by John Robert Schirmer



Dede Robinson—Children's Moments



Rev. Gary Harrison delivering our message



Mike Myers-Liturgist



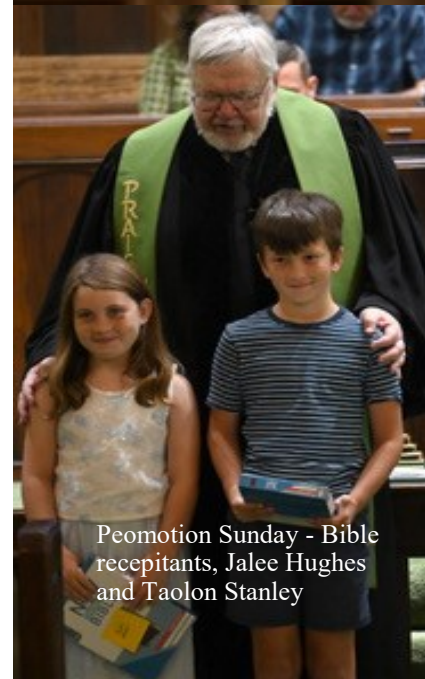
Trio-Cindy Willard, Mike Myers & Becky Posey



First United Methodist Church Service  
September 10, 2023  
Photos by John Robert Schirmer



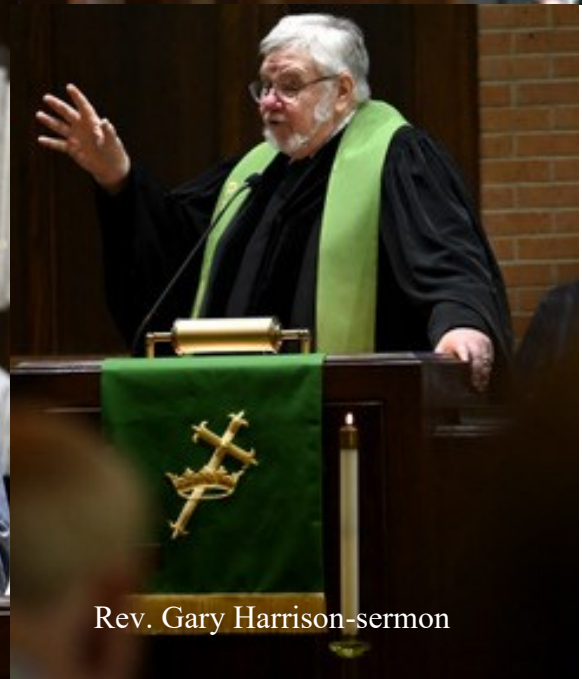
Judy Cassady-Children's Moments



Peomotion Sunday - Bible recipients, Jalee Hughes and Taolon Stanley



Dexter Boyce-Liturgist



Rev. Gary Harrison-sermon



Offertory-Jaree Hall & Kristi Eggers



Chancel Choir-Anthem



Opening Hymn



Closing Hymn



First United Methodist Church Service  
September 17, 2023  
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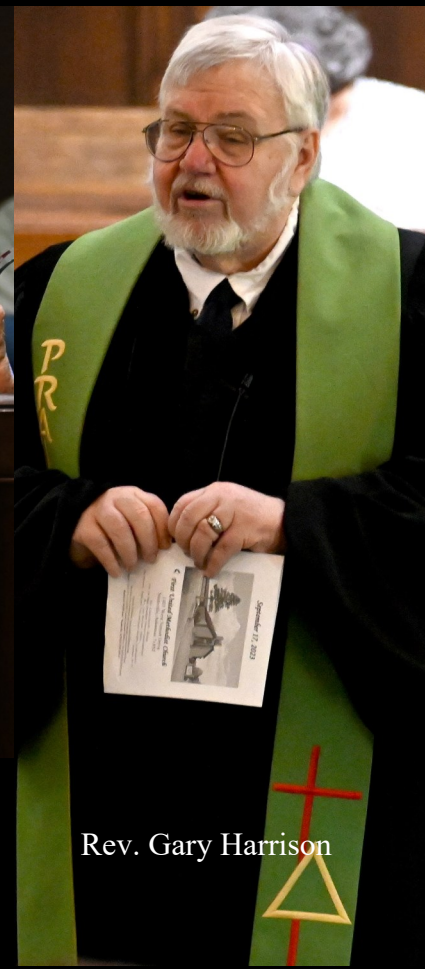
Telia Dunn-Children's Moments



Jaylee Hughes & Ember Boyce-Acolytes



Carol Ackley  
OCC Announcement



Rev. Gary Harrison



Northwest District Superintendent  
Blake Bradford



Chancel Choir --Anthem



First United Methodist Church Service  
September 24, 2023  
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Children's Choir - Anthem



Children's Moment's-Annie Washburn



Rev. Gary Harrison-Sermon



Connie Castleberry-Liturgist



Newest Members - The Stanley Family  
with Rev. Gary Harrison



Becky Posey-Pianist