

McFARLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
AN ORDER FOR THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 20, 2023 11:00 AM

*HYMN

MY HOPE IS BUILT

UMH 368

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

*HYMN

AND ARE WE YET ALIVE

UMH 553

FIRST LESSON

GENESIS 45:1-15

PSALTER

PSALM 133

UMH 850

GOSPEL LESSON

MATTHEW 15:21-28

*HYMN

BIND US TOGETHER

TFWS 2226

EPISTLE LESSON

JAMES 5:13-20

SERMON

STAY IN LOVE WITH GOD
REV. WAYNE COOK

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES CREED

UMH 881

*GLORIA PATRI

UMH 70

*HYMN

PEOPLE NEED THE LORD

TFWS 2244

PRAYER REQUESTS AND PRAISES

CALL TO PRAYER

LORD, LISTEN TO YOUR CHILDREN PRAYING

TFWS 2193

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE TO DO SO.

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Your offerings may be left in the offering box located on the table in the Narthex. Thank you for your support of the missions and ministry of McFarland United Methodist Church.

The Adult Sunday School is now a Mid-Week Bible/Book Study that meets in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. Everyone is invited to participate. Please direct any questions to Marvin Mills or Vicki Riddle.

Homecoming is next Sunday August 27. We will celebrate 102 years of ministry on this site. The Reverend Mickey Rainwater, our new District Superintendent, will be our preacher. Come for worship then stay for the covered dish luncheon in Fellowship Hall. Invite someone to join you.

You are invited to a Celebration of Life for Ben North this Saturday, August 26 at 11:00 a.m. Mildred asks that we meet at their home around the pool. The address is 800 Asterwood St, Rossville, GA. The church will supply a limited number of metal folding chairs, however, if you can bring your own, it would be appreciated.

We have been challenged to raise 1.5 Million Dollars in the coming year for the "New Voices Initiative. "New Voices" will focus on identifying and building leaders from our Collegiate Ministries, Conference Colleges and Conference Camps for the future. This is a tremendous goal. However, when broken down, if each active member of the Holston Annual Conference would donate a total of \$30 over the next 10 months, the goal will be reached. Just think, designating an extra \$3 per month for "New Voices" will help us meet the goal.

We welcome Nancy Westmoreland as our musician today while David is out.

Information and Opportunities to Serve

Sunday Morning Worship..... 11:00 AM
Mid-Week (Wednesday) Bible/Book Study..... 10:00 AM
Choir Practice, Wednesday..... 6:00 PM

If you are visiting with us today, welcome. We are glad that you have chosen to worship with us. There are visitor registration cards in the lobby that you can fill out so that we may have a record of your visit. If you need assistance or if you have a question, please feel free to ask an usher or your neighbor.

Announcements

The **Common Grounds Free Store** is a primary ministry of McFarland UMC – we thank all of our volunteers for your hard work. The next Free Store will be **Saturday, September 16, from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM**. We need volunteers to both prepare for and staff the Free Store. If you can help, please see Ann Russell or Vicki Riddle. Please pray for God’s guidance in how you can help this vital ministry to our community.

Thank you for your patience while Darlene continues to deal with surgery and recovery. She is now working regular hours Monday and Thursday 9:00 – 4:00 and Wednesday 9:00 – 12:00.

We welcome **volunteers** to help with ushering, sound, and visuals during worship. If you are interested in helping, please see Don Butcher, Ben Leonard, or Pastor Wayne.



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Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.



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