



Rebecca and I love reading Scriptures together (and these days listening to them on our phones as well - a whole new way to grow in God's Word!) and we read from the Psalms most every day. The Psalms that flow from King David's pen are often about spiritual leadership. The 78 Psalm is one of these. The final section of the Psalm is:

- 70 He chose his servant David,  
and took him from the sheepfolds;  
71 from tending the nursing ewes he brought him  
to be the shepherd of his people Jacob,  
of Israel, his inheritance.  
72 With upright heart he tended them,  
and guided them with skillful hand.

This Psalm, like many other, concludes with the peace and glory of God. This Psalm is a little different from most Psalms in that God's peace and glory is to be delivered through a person, a shepherd

of the people, a servant of God and of the people. That shepherd was, of course, named David.

Soon a new servant of God and of the people of this church, named Ryan Heatherly, will be brought from "tending the nursing ewes" at another church to being the shepherd here. I, your current pastor, am excited at the ministry that I can see that this flock, with their shepherd Ryan, doing together.

Further, I have absolute confidence that Ryan will serve here "with an upright heart." He will be a leader with integrity and honor, with courage and vision, Further he will guide this flock 'with a skillful hand.' He will preach well, visit well, and administer the affairs of the church to the utmost of his ability.

And even as I leave to serve my new flock, I will be in prayer for this church and for Ryan as you begin your ministry together. I have loved serving here and I am sure that Ryan will as well.

Dr. John Purdue

Dear Church,

Our new pastor, Ryan Heatherly, his wife Beth and their precocious 7 year old son, Hudson, will be moving to McMinnville on June 22. Pastor Ryan's first Sunday will be June 27. They are happy to have found a home near the Civic Center, West Elementary and the church.



The FUMC staff and SPRC enjoyed meeting the Heatherlys a few weeks ago. They were impressed to learn about the ministries of our church that reach out to to the , and we are happy to learn of their experience working with addiction and recidivism. On a personal note, Pastor Ryan enjoys golf on his 'sabbath', and Beth enjoys hiking and

being outdoors. Hudson likes LEGOs, Star Wars, board games, baseball and basketball. (Whew!)

Matt Sands has graciously agreed to lead worship for the first 3 Sundays in June while we are between pastors. (He's also leading our youth to Mountain Top this month. Thank you, Matt!)

Please be in prayer for the Purdues in their leaving, for the Heatherlys in their coming, and for the Sands as they support us in the transition.

Grateful to and for each of you,

Nancy Burck

## Calendar

- June 6-20 Matt Sands preaching
- June 13-19 Youth Mountain Top
- June 20 Father's Day
- June 27 Pastor Ryan's first Sunday. Meet Pastor for brunch from 9:15-10:30am during Sunday school.
- July 4 Pancake breakfast on the Court Square from 7:00am-10:00am.

Dear Circle of Faith,

Thank you so much for your donation to the church in memory of my mother, Wanda Johnson. She really loved you all and loved our church.

Love,  
David & Julie Holt

First United Methodist Church Family,

Thank you so much for helping our Hannah girl reach her grad so that she can go to her STEM program at Emory in Atlanta! We are so grateful for your support. May God bless you and keep you always.

Love,  
Blain Fisher and the Kids of the Community Family

This year we will be having the **Pancake Breakfast** on July 3. Located on the Court Square from 7:00-10:00am.  
Adults - \$6  
Children under 10 - \$4  
Money will go towards Missions

**Good Neighbors  
Cooks & Driver Schedule**

- Route 1: Rebel Hill
- Route 2: East End Dr.
- Route 3: Men's Shelter
- Route 4: Hardaway St.
- Route 5: Beta St./Country Club
- Route 6: Beersheba Tower
- Route 7: Spangler Tower

**June 3**

**Week 2 McWhirter**

- Route 1: Stanley
- Route 2: Winton
- Route 3: Woodiel
- Route 4: Miller
- Route 5: Ford
- Route 6: Dodson
- Route 7: Bro. Dick

**June 17**

**Week 4: Brock**

- Route 1: Saylor's
- Route 2: Winton
- Route 3: H. Roberts
- Route 4: Sandlin
- Route 5: Ford
- Route 6: Young
- Route 7: Bro. Dick

*Anniversaries*

- 6/6 Charles & Donna Campbell (57 yrs)
- 6/6 Michael & Brenda Spanjer (12 yrs)
- 6/6 Scott & Victoria Gerbus (2 yrs)
- 6/6 Rev. Tommy & Claire Vann (35 yrs)
- 6/13 Kenneth & Mary Nelle Smith (46 yrs)
- 6/14 Charles & Susan Moore (51 yrs)
- 6/16 Dr. Harry & Nancy Burck (48 yrs)
- 6/19 Ryle & Paige Chastain (11 yrs)
- 6/20 Neil & Ann Schultz (56 yrs)
- 6/22 Bruce & Cerissa Smith (9 yrs)



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| 6/13 Ann Schultz       | 6/20 Lillian Gerbus  |
| 6/13 Betty Troop       | 6/19 Rebecca Purdue  |
| 6/14 Everett Brock     | 6/20 Lynne Hamrick   |
| 6/14 Katrina Haley     | 6/20 Lillian Spanjer |
| 6/14 Eli Jones         | 6/20 Lilian Gerbus   |
| 6/15 Robert Newman     | 6/22 Cerissa Smith   |
| 6/15 Caitlyn McCormick | 6/25 Rebecca Woodiel |
| 6/17 June Huckeyby     | 6/26 Jesse Wellman   |
| 6/19 Karen Carr        | 6/29 Lily Brazle     |



The Caney Fork District of the UMC has openings for At Large Lay Delegates to Annual Conference this year. Annual Conference will be on ZOOM on June 10-11.

More information at <https://twkumc.org/2021-annual-conferences/>

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