



Friday, January 18

The Weekender

Prayer and Healing Service

There have been many questions and seemingly not many answers given to the United Methodist Church's "A Way Forward" proposal. I know this can be somewhat frustrating and even confusing as to what this means for us here at Fayetteville First UMC. The easy way for pastors and many to answer the question is to say that "God will see us through"; and God will, but we must be willing to first seek answers and examine ourselves as well.

Whenever I am faced with what seems to be uncertainty, I have always found it helpful to pray, both privately and with others. We are inviting you to come and pray with us (Pastors John, Allyson and myself) as we seek God's wisdom and peace.

On Wednesday, January 30, from 6:15 p.m. until 7:30 p.m., we will have a Service of Prayer and Healing in the chapel. We ask you to join us as we pray for the healing of our land and the healing of our church: the church local, the UMC and the church universal.

The service will include corporate prayers from the pastors as well as silent prayers and candle lighting prayers. The service will also be followed with a fasting and prayer request for our congregation and the UMC vote, which is being led by Pastor Allyson.

Please join us as we seek God's healing Spirit!

Sincerely,
Pastor Michael



This Sunday in Worship January 20, 2019 Second Sunday after Epiphany

Anthems:

Holy Spirit, Come and Fill Us
O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

Sermon:

Water Into Wine John 2:1-11
Rev. John Barnes (8:30, 11 a.m.)
Rev. Michael Phillips (9:45 a.m.)

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Blood Drive Results

Thank you for donating blood this past Sunday. Here are the results:

67 signed in
8 deferrals
56 whole blood
6 total doubles
Total: 67 units
Goal: 72 units

The FFUMC Blood Drive Team says, "Thanks!"



Task Force Moves Forward with Creation Care

Ready for a responsible and organized approach to care for the environment in our church, homes, community and beyond? You are invited to join in formative meetings of a green task force at FFUMC as the group sets initial goals. Want to reduce, reuse, recycle and help others in that passion? Come join the 18 others already on board on January 22 at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Your input and work are important. Questions? Contact Tami Kemberling, tamidale57@gmail.com.



Parents and Kids Enjoy Night Out January 25

Parents Night Out is a new, growing, and exciting ministry for children and especially the parents. Reservations for FREE childcare are due January 21 (cost is \$10 per child after January 21). Register at fayettevillefirst.com. Questions? Contact Rev. Carson Thaxton, cthaxton@fayettevillefirst.com.

Ministry Volunteer Shifts: Help for one hour or two hours or all evening...whatever fits your schedule. Sign up at fayettevillefirst.com or contact Rev. Thaxton to hear the options.



Serve at SafeHouse Outreach Next Week

Our next opportunity to serve at SafeHouse Outreach is Thursday, January 31. Contact Randy Riddell, randybr8@gmail.com, to help prepare food or to serve the homeless clients at SafeHouse in Atlanta.



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Did You Hear James Watkins?

Would you like to hear James Watkins tell some of his life story? You'll enjoy "A Life Long and Well Lived" and the reflections he shared at Titus II in early January. [Click here](#) to see his talk on YouTube or email Joan Aycock, jaycock@fayettevillefirst.com, for the link or a DVD.

James is on the left next to his twin brother, Jennings.



February Communion, Fasting and Prayer

As we pray for unity and direction for the United Methodist Church, we seek a way forward together. You are invited to join Rev. Allyson Lawrence for a time of communion, fasting and prayer each Friday during February. If you would like a guide to fasting and prayer, please register your participation at fayettevillefirst.com and resources will be sent to you.



Save the Date: District Training Event is February 10

Our district provides valuable workshops for church leaders and volunteers. The next one will be held at Cornerstone UMC in Newnan on February 10 from 3 to 5 p.m. Workshops include training for Staff Parish Relations and Finance committees, Church Council as well as workshops on caring for the elderly, Fresh Expressions, and ministering to children experiencing trauma. Please make plans to participate.



College Student Care Packages Show Love

UMW's Bethany Circle wants to send love and care packages to our college students. To ensure your student receives a package, please give Frieda Everritt (feverritt@gmail.com, 404-219-0635) or Laurie Brooks (blbrooks92@gmail.com, 404-402-4859) your student's mailing address and cell number (if you would like your student to receive a text that a package has been sent) by January 31.

Wednesday Night Dinner for January 23

Lasagna/Salad or Chicken Tenders or Grilled Chicken Salad. Sign up each week or get on the permanent reservation list at *FayettevilleFirst.com*. Cost: \$4 ages 10 and under; \$7 over 10; Family Max: \$22

What's Happening? *Get more info at fayettevillefirst.com.*

Jan. 18 - Renovatus Youth Retreat Begins, Camp Glisson, Please pray for students and leaders.

Jan. 25 - Parent Night Out, 5:30 - 9 p.m., Free childcare if reserved by Jan. 21, Contact Rev. Carson Thaxton.

Jan. 30 - Service of Prayer and Healing, 6:30 p.m. (Chapel)

Jan. 31 – SafeHouse Outreach, Contact Randy Riddell, randybr8@gmail.com to bake or serve.

Feb. 10 – District Training Event, Cornerstone UMC in Newnan, 3 to 5 p.m.

The church office will be closed Monday, January 21, in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr., holiday.

January 14, 2019 Financials

Year to Date receipts	\$ 43,346.30
Year to Date expenses	\$ 48,497.35
Shortfall	\$ 5,151.05