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**MON. - THUR. 9-2**  
**FRIDAY: Closed**



## UPCOMING DATES

### Sunday Sept. 8, 2024

7:00 am LEAVE FOR REDBIRD  
8:45 am IGNITERS FELLOWSHIP  
9:00 am PARLOR FELLOWSHIP  
9:00 am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL  
10:00 am WORSHIP  
11:10 am THE BRIDGE FELLOWSHIP  
11:10 am CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL  
5:30 pm YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

### Monday Sept. 9, 2024

8:00am SACK GROCERIES

### Tuesday Sept. 10, 2024

6:30 pm EMMAUS FELLOWSHIP  
COVERED DISH

### Wednesday Sept. 11, 2024

9:00 am FOOD PANTRY  
6:30 pm YOUTH MEET

### Thursday Sept. 12, 2024

9:00 am FOOD PANTRY  
9:00 am NIFTY/FIFTY  
6:00 pm PAINT CLASS

### Friday Sept. 13, 2024

### Saturday Sept. 14, 2024

8:00 am MEN'S BIBLE STUDY



**ENCOUNTER T-SHIRTS** ... There are a few extra T-shirts from the D-NOW ENCOUNTER weekend. If you would like a T-shirt, swing by the office, \$10 a shirt. We have: 2-small; 2-Medium; 1-XLarge; and 2-XXLarge.



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# Touch

## Newsletter

AUGUST 26, 2024

## INVITE A FRIEND SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 22ND

Actually, this should be every week event...inviting our friends who aren't going to church! It's such an intimidating thing to do for some of us...invite someone to church. An invitation to someone we know isn't in church can often feel like we are saying to them, "why aren't you in church?"; "do you believe in God?"; "how long has it been since you've been in church?" These are just a few of those things we hear in our rationale to not reach

out to others. On Sunday, September 22nd, we are hosting a "Invite a Friend Day" here at First Methodist Church. The only way this will be a successful outreach to our friends, our family, and our community is if we don't reach out and invite someone. It really is all up to you and me! I hope you will be a part of this great opportunity. I think we should also have a church luncheon on this day. What do you think? I hope you will decide to be a part of this great day, and that you will not be "shy" about inviting someone you know that isn't going to church...it doesn't matter if they are a member or not...just invite them!



*"Come visit my church with me,  
I can introduce you around."*



## SEPTEMBER 15 Tailgate community Cookout 4:00 pm.

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The season football and tailgating is upon us! What better way to engage our community than with our 2nd annual Triple G-(God/Gridiron/Good Eats) Tailgate Cookout. September 15th, 4:00 p.m. here at the church. Has your group started talking about how you are going to be a part? If not, let's get talking. Please contact Andy Nolen as soon as possible to find out what you and your group can do to help make this a fantastic outreach to our community.

### Thank You...

The family of Phil Vines wants to thank you for the beautiful cross, the wonderful service and meals. Your thoughts and prayers have helped more than you will ever know.  
With Love,

*The Phil Vines Family*



Attendance & Contributions

August 25, 2024  
Sunday Worship Attendance.....143  
Online Attendance.....1206  
Budget Contributions 8/25/24.....\$5,917.00  
Year To Date Total Budget  
Contributions as of 8/25/24.....\$259,599.22

Special Prayer Request

Jan Towers  
Robert Waldrop  
Jack Moon  
Stuart McCrorie  
Ray Kilburn  
Ronny Duncan

Carol Maddra  
Kenny Coston  
Terry Horne  
Tammy Moody  
Wanda England  
Marilyn Brown

We extend our Christian sympathy and love to the Phil Vines family at his recent passing. Please keep Carolyn and all the family in your prayers.

We extend our Christian sympathy and love to Tammy Carpenter’s sister Jolanda, at the sudden passing of her husband Norman Pate. Please keep the family in your prayers.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Sept. 2 .....Church Office Closed  
Sept. 8-13.....Redbird Mission trip.  
Sept. 15.....Tailgate Community Cookout,  
4:00 pm, church grounds  
Sept. 22.....Invite a Friend Sunday, church  
lunch to follow in Fellowship Hall.  
Sept. 20-26...GMC General Conference  
Mtg, San Jose, Costa Rica

LET’S MAKE SURE WE GET THESE DATES  
ON OUR PERSONAL CALENDARS.

THURSDAY NIGHT PAINT CLASS



We will be decoupageing onto wooden cigar boxes. 8/29/24. \$18.00. Please RSVP so I can have all supplies needed. 205-401-3124, or the church office. Bring a friend.

JUST THINK ABOUT IT

Hello Friends and Members! What a wonderful conclusion to Awesome August 2024, having our own SonRise sing on Sunday, August 25th . Thank you to Joel Henson, Choir Director, for putting together a super month of music. August 2024, as I shared last week, has been a powerful month of Praising and Worshiping the Living God. I hope and pray that you have been uplifted and strengthened in your walk with Jesus through this time of Praise and Worship!

As you receive this week’s newsletter, I ask for your prayers as Lisa and I will be traveling abroad...Rome, Naples, Mykonos Island, Istanbul, and Athens. As we make this trip, we are celebrating 40 years of marriage. I am so very thankful to God for the blessing I was given by God to have such a supportive and loving wife in Lisa. I married way above my head, and I out-kicked my coverage. And, I know where my bread is buttered. Please keep us in your prayers, and look for pictures we hope to be sharing daily on Facebook.

In September 2024, we will begin a new preaching series titled, WHAT’S HAPPENING TO OUR FAITH? I believe this will be a very informative preaching series that gives us a personal look at our own faith; how faith is changing and has changed in our homes/our community/our culture; as well as give us tools to grow personally, and tools to share our faith with others who live in a divided culture religiously.

The WHAT’S HAPPENING TO OUR FAITH? series is not in a negative sense that our faith is at an end, but that it needs a spiritual transfusion of Gospel truth...a transformation among believers if you will. Friends, the gospel hasn’t changed, the people the gospel seeks out have though! Beginning Sunday, September 15th and the four following weeks, we will take an honest look at where our Christian Faith stands in today’s culture, and what we are called to do to be a part of change beginning with us and those around us. I hope you will be in prayer for me as God has been guiding me through the over ten plus different voices of writers, preachers, and teachers of theology and culture. I hope you will be in prayer for each other as God speaks to each of us in how we will respond to His teaching. I look forward to the upcoming messages and learnings together.

In Service to Christ, Bro. John Verciglio

FINANCE TEAM NEWS...

During the Summer months, it has been the work of the Finance Team to basically do a mini-audit of our Church Finances with the help of Milton Blair (professional auditor). In transparency, Milton has been remunerated for the services he has provided to the church. Milton’s work with our Finance Team and Lisa Edmonson (Church Administrator), have helped us put into practice new procedures in our accounting functions that in essence, bring us into the 21st century. It has been a learning process with bumps along the way, but a forward moving process that is helping the church plan, process and report accurately our Financial status. Thanks to all our team leaders that have been a part of this process.

As we are in full swing for the Fall, we are in a Financial focus of walking along our Child Care Center as they perform the same type of functions with their Financial work. Cindy McCormick (professional bookkeeper) is completing those same functions as I write. We are looking to next week, week of August 26th, to get all updated reports.

Lastly, under the leadership of our Finance Team, we are headed toward the 2025 Pledge Campaign. Pledge Sunday will be Sunday, November 17, 2024. As a part of this day, we

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM

REDBIRD– In Memory of Larry Gallups. By Cheryl Finch.  
FOOD Pantry– In Memory of Phil Vines. By Steve & Gala Douglass.  
FOOD PANTRY– In Honor of Jeri & Jimmy Harris. By Steve & Gala Douglass.  
FOOD PANTRY– In Honor of Marilyn Brown. By Steve & Gala Douglass.  
BUDGET– In Memory of Phil Vines. In Honor of Sharron Malone on her 75th Birthday. Love, The Ingels  
BUDGET– IN Memory of Phil Vines In Honor of the Phil Vines family. By Terry & Peggy Horne.  
BUDGET– In memory of Phil Vines & Charles Gallups. In Honor of Wanda England. In Honor of Carolyn Vines & family. By Scott & Lisa Edmonson.  
BUDGET– In Memory of Phil Vines. In Honor of Carolyn Vines & family. By Becky Champion.  
REDBIRD– In Memory of Phil Vines. By Cheryl Finch.  
CHILDREN’S DEPT.– In Memory of Phil Vines. By Mary Ann Cater & Angela Sanders.  
FOOD PANTRY– In Memory of Phil Vines. In Honor of Carolyn Vines and family. By Stuart McCrorie.  
SONRISE– In Loving Memory of Phil Vines. In Honor of Carolyn, Jeri & Jean. By Debbie Bishop McBrayer.  
BUDGET– In Memory of Phil Vines. By Jeff Higgins.  
BUDGET– In Memory of Phil Vines. By his family.  
BUDGET– In Honor of Sarah Elizabeth Hollingsworth. By Andy, Kristy, Luke & Ella Nolen.  
BUDGET– In Memory of Phil “Gramps” Vines. By Andy, Kristy, Luke & Ella Nolen.  
SONRISE– In Memory of Phil Vines. In Honor of Carolyn, Jerri & Jean. By Woody & Connie Woodward.  
ST. ANDREWS– In Memory of Phil Vines. By Mary Frances Bell.  
BUDGET– In Memory of Phil Vines. By Adult Sunday School Class.

OUR MISSION AT FIRST METHODIST ...“To be Passionate Ambassadors of God’s Extravagant Love by: Boldly sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ with Everyone.”

will experience a lead-up time of budget setting (already in progress for 2025), church contract reviews, policy costs, utility expenses, ministry needs, etc. Through this rigorous process, it is believed that we will have a detailed understanding of needs, and how we as the Body of Christ are called to respond. I look forward to being a part of giving financially with each of you in meeting the needs of our church’s ministry in leading folks to Jesus.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>01</div> <div>8:45am - Igniters Sunday School 9am - Adult Sunday School 9am - Parlor Fellowship 10am - WORSHIP (in-person &amp; live streamed) 11am - Young Adult, Youth, &amp; Children's Sunday School</div>	<div>02</div> <div>OFFICE CLOSED</div> <div>LABOR DAY</div>	<div>03</div>	<div>04</div> <div>6pm - HANDBELLS 6:30pm - YOUTH ACTIVITIES 7pm - CHANCEL CHOIR</div>	<div>05</div> <div>8am - FOOD DELIVERY 9am - NIFITY OVER FIFTY 6pm - PAINTING CLASS</div>	<div>06</div> <div>OFFICE CLOSED</div>	<div>07</div> <div>8am - MEN'S BIBLE STUDY</div>
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