


Our Weekly Schedule:
Sun - Singles/Mingles 1:00 - 3:00 pm
Tues - Chair Yoga 11:00 am
Wed - Chancel Choir Practice
6:30 - 8:00 pm
Young Adult Bible Study
7:00-8:00 pm
Thurs -Chair Yoga 11:00 am
* Chair Yoga is moving to the Scout Hut
*Zumba is on sabbatical until the Spring.

Church Lock-up Schedule:
11/2 - 11/8 Charlie Cobb
11/9 - 11/15 Barry Griffin
11/16- 11/22 Bill Munson
11/23 -11/29 Hank Chapman



Operation Christmas Child
It's All About Jesus!

Now is the time for Ellijay First UMC to become involved in Operation Christmas Child by Samaritan's Purse. Please take a box located in the back hall, fill it with items, and have it **returned by Sunday, November 16, 2025**. Information is inside each box.

Vespers Service this Thursday

Thursday, November 6 at 6:00 pm will be the final Vespers Service for this calendar year. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for a time of scripture, prayer, and praise.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY -
If you are 18 to 35(ish) join us on Wednesdays from 7:00-8:00 pm for Bible Study. Childcare is available.



For more info contact
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@ 706-273-9252.

Happy Birthday

11/5 - Caroline White
11/7 - Alyse Munson
11/8 - Paula Acree





Church Lock-up Schedule:
8/03-8/09 Charlie Cobb
8/10-8/16 Barry Griffin
8/17-8/23 Bill Munson
8/24-8/30 Hank Chapman
8/31-9/06 Lloyd Vautrot



We need you!
Seeking actors and animal managers of all ages.
Email or text
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Living Matthew 25:40

“Then the King will answer, ‘I tell you the truth, anything you did for even the least of my people here, you also did for me.’”
In our opportunities to share God’s love lately, we have presented checks to Wade & April Whitcomb in the amount of \$975 and Missy Kepley in the amount of \$3,974.
In addition to two car loads of food and clothing, we have given \$1,908 to the Red Bird Mission in Kentucky.



Doesn’t it feel good being the hands and feet of God? Praise the Lord!


Pancake Breakfast - November 16
The Methodist Men will have a benefit breakfast to raise money for the many missions that they support. Sign up on the attendance registration slip or call the church office by November 12 to help with planning. Thank you!





Let’s spread kindness here at home and see it’s impact globally. Check out www.kind30.org

If you have pictures from the past few years of church events, the church grounds, the parsonage (maybe during the Christmas season), Sunday School Parties, Choir (practice or parties) Singles Mingles, Faith Hope & Charity, past GRASPs, or anything of the sort, please use this QR code to upload pictures for our website. See Debbi or Jennetta if you need assistance. Thank you in advance for your help!




Prayers for the Week		
Pray without ceasing for family/friends, teachers, doctors, pastors, World Leaders/Military, The Weak, Sick & Hungry, Ourselves. Prayer Request Forms are in the Pew Racks Names highlighted in bold are new additions to the Prayer List.		
<u>General</u> Juston Davis Armstrong Dice	Dan Weaver Clyde White	<u>Hospice</u> Doug Bater Shirley Goldston Ed Jeffery Susan Krebs
<u>Health</u> Brent Badinski Marcia Bassett Charles Benner Ed Boyd Kevin Brett Mark Brown Kyle Bullington Joan Compton Paul Compton Brenda Eisanhart Allen Fanelli Sharon Fletcher Barry Griffin Betty Jo Hanes Ginger Hearn Ruth Hix Missy Kepley Rylan Leeper Shannon Leeper Vincent Marino Alyse Munson Lynn Perry Wanda Sandels Ann Shearon Lynn Tudor	<u>Hospital/Rehab</u> Pat Daniels Mary Uthlaut <u>Upcoming Surgery</u> Millie Kelley <u>Surgery Recuperating</u> Alison Baker Steve Hearn Emily Westbrook <u>Shut-In</u> Peter Adams Marlene Brown Ernette Calhoun Earline Copley Jim Hagopian Mack Hipp Johnny Johnson Rudi Lanchardt Margie Pyren Myron Seagraves Paul Stanhope Robert Westmoreland	<u>Caregiver</u> Nell Bater Cherie Dice Joy Fanelli Scott Goldston Carolyn Hipp Pat Johnson Julie Kepley Susan Marino Lorraine Segraves Joan Stanhope Sherry Weaver <u>Deaths</u> Family of Ron Cornett Family of Ryan Miranda Family of Skye Wilkins

November at Ellijay First UMC		
11/06 6:00 pm	Vespers	Fellowship Hall
11/10 6:00 pm	Administrative Council Meeting	
11/11 8:00 am	Veterans' Day Breakfast	Fellowship Hall
11/13 4:30 pm	Men's Group Meeting & Meal	Shane's Rib Shack
11/16 9:00 am	Methodist Men's Pancake Breakfast	Fellowship Hall
11:00 am	GRASP Meeting	Fellowship Hall
11/18 12:00 pm	Joyful Noon Circle	Fellowship Hall
11/19 5:30 pm	Mission Dinner for Habitat for Humanity	Fellowship Hall
11/29 8:00 am	Decorating the church for Advent	
11/30	First Sunday of Advent	

Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9 am- 4 pm
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Photo of a rainy fall drive in Gilmer County by Pastor Mike

Sunday, November 2, 2025

10:00 am Worship Service

21st Sunday after Pentecost

All Saints Sunday

Sunday Worship Service
The 21st Sunday After Pentecost
All Saints Sunday

The Chiming of the Hour

The Prelude: “Rain Down”
arr by Mark Hayes

Welcome, Announcements and Invocation
Rev. Dr. Shearon

Call To Worship “I Sing a Song of the Saints of God”
by John H. Hopkins, Jr.

† The Greeting
Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song.
Rejoice and be glad, for the Lord reigns.
Praise God with dance.
Praise God with songs of adoration.
For God lifts up the lowly and casts down the mighty.
Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song.

† The Hymn of Praise UMH 711
“For All the Saints”

† The Affirmation of Faith The Apostles Creed
I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven
and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin
Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,
dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand
of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come
to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy
Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of
saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the
body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

† The Gloria Patri
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy
Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall
be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

Pastoral and Congregational Prayer Rev. Dr. Shearon

The Lord’s Prayer UMH 895

†The Hymn of Preparation TFWS 2042
“How Lovely, Lord, How Lovely”

The Worship with Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory Music “Amazing Grace”
arr by Joel Raney

†The Presentation and Doxology
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

Special Music “When The Saints Go Marching In”
by John Rutter

† The Scripture Reading Luke 19:1-10

The Sermon Rev. Dr. Shearon
“A Man Up A Tree”

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

†The Closing Hymn UMH 708
“Rejoice in God’s Saints”

Anyone wishing to join this church may come forward during
the closing hymn.

†The Pastoral Benediction

Rev. Dr. Shearon

†The Postlude “The Lord Bless You and Keep You”
arr by John Rutter

Prayer team members are available after the service.
They will be wearing white shawls.

† Please stand as you are able

Luke 19:1-10 Zacchaeus the Tax Collector

19 Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through.

2 A man was there by the name of Zacchaeus; he was a chief
tax collector and was wealthy.

3 He wanted to see who Jesus was, but because he was short
he could not see over the crowd.

4 So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore-fig tree to see him,
since Jesus was coming that way.

5 When Jesus reached the spot, he looked up and said to
him, “Zacchaeus, come down immediately. I must stay at your
house today.”

6 So he came down at once and welcomed him gladly.

7 All the people saw this and began to mutter, “He has gone to
be the guest of a sinner.”

8 But Zacchaeus stood up and said to the Lord, “Look, Lord!
Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if
I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four
times the amount.”

9 Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house,
because this man, too, is a son of Abraham.

10 For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”



The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

You Are Welcome Here

You enter this church not as a stranger, but as a guest of God.
He is your Heavenly Father. Come then, with joy in your heart
and thanks on your lips, into His presence, offering Him your
love and service. Be grateful to the men and women who, in the
name of Jesus Christ, built this historic place of worship and to
all who have beautified it and hallowed it with prayer and
praise. Beseech His blessings on those who love this house of
faith as the inspiration of their labor, rejoicing in the power of
the Holy Spirit, and may that blessing rest upon your going out
and your coming in.