

Second Helpings

Second Avenue United Methodist Church ~ August 2018

Special Events in August

August 04 - Pool Party

August 05 - District Set Up Meeting at
Bremen First

August 07 - Meals & More at Rome First UMC

August 12 - Golden Jubilee Celebration

August 12 - Murphy Harpst Annual Offering

August 19—Acolyte Training



Second Avenue United Methodist Church

Our Mission: 'Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World'

Our Vision: 'Knowing Christ & Making Christ Known'

Committing to be a site for Action Ministries' Smart Lunch, Smart Kid program again this summer, we knew we were in for many blessings! As usual, we received more than we gave! Thanks be to God!

We served approximately **578 meals** to children and youth.

30 volunteers participated.

24 children received school supplies thanks to your generosity.

7 community organizations partnered with us:

Kroger, Kellogg's, Home Depot, Wendy's, The Red Cross,
Floyd Medical Center, and Huddle House.



For **33 days** we freely gave ~ the **innumerable blessings** we received freely flow on!
Thank you for truly being the church with open hearts, open hands, and open doors this summer!

Gearing up for Confirmation

Confirmation Information Session ~ Sunday, September 9 ~ after Worship

Second Avenue Invites youth ages 13 and up to participate in the Confirmation process.

We will be using "Collaborate" curriculum for Methodists

(<https://www.cokesbury.com/forms/DynamicContent.aspx?id=435&pageid=2357>)

and participate in the North Georgia Conference Confirmation retreats at Camp Glisson.

Please mark your calendar and review the curriculum on the Cokesbury website.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Rev. Millie.

The information meeting is for both youth and their parents.

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR



I hate to admit it but one of my favorite theologians is Augustine of Hippo in the fourth century. I have had many similar life experiences and share many of the same struggles with him regarding the life of the church. Yes, you can start calling me, Millie of Hippo; just don't call me a hippo. If you like to read, I recommend Confessions (his autobiography) or City of God by Augustine. Two of the big struggles he had were against Donatists and Pelagians, groups of people that Augustine declared heretics. Donatists (followers of Donatus) were rigorists like Puritans in the 16th and 17th centuries who held the belief that only those living a blameless life belonged in the Church. You would think that the Donatist Church was a *regio egestatis* (a desolate place), but no, it had a huge following! Pelagians (followers of Pelagius) were the ones who believed too much in the power and goodness of people. They believed perfection was possible in this world and rejected the original sin and grace. "If we roll up our sleeves, we can do it all! We don't need grace!" They taught that salvation can be attained through a strict practice of religious exercises, through prayers and action. Sounds like Pharisees, don't they?

Well, we all can be Donatists and Pelagians at times! We want our churches to grow but we expect certain people to come join our church. Jesus preaches over and over that "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners." (Mark 2:17) We need to see each and every person who comes our way as someone God has created in His image by blowing His breath and welcome him/her with love of Christ as Paul explains in Romans 5:8, "God showed his love for us while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." There is no one who is "worthless" or "junkie" to God. Hebrews 13:2 also reminds us, "Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it." Church is an assembly of sinners. We are all on the way to perfection; some of us are close to the start line, some in the middle, and a few are closer to the finish line. So let's not get too bogged down with who is where. And let us just be reminded that our race is not dependent on our abilities and works but only on the grace of God, which activates and enables us to be on the race to begin with and helps us follow Jesus Christ in the world one step at a time.

I don't know why Augustine came to my mind on this particular day, maybe because it is August? Anyway, don't be a Donatist or a Pelagian; be a faithful follower of Jesus Christ.

Blessings,
Millie

AUGUST SERMON SCRIPTURE

August 05 "Banding Together" | 2 Corinthians 1:1-10

August 12 Golden Jubilee Anniversary | Rev. James Mitchell preaching

August 19 "Salvation in the Wesleyan Tradition" | Ephesians 2:1-10

August 26 "Christian Perfection" | Philippians 3:1-14



**Joint Celebration for Adam
& Haley Rogers' recent
wedding...**



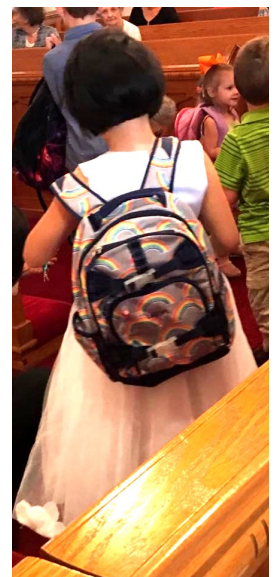
**...and Michael & Gretchen
Colombo's baby Emmy.**



Smart Lunch Volunteer Lunch



Blessing of the Backpacks



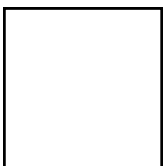
August Birthdays

04 Patty Baker
05 Betty Crymes
10 Matthew Gibbons
18 Doug Meredith
22 Joshua Colombo
23 Vicki Embree &
Jerry Waters
29 Buffy Davis &
Michelle Gibson
30 Juanita Underwood

August Anniversaries

09 Paula & Tommy Jones
10 Patty & Phil Baker
13 Dan & Judy Emerick
24 Carl & Genny Alexander

Birthdays & Anniversaries:
If we haven't included your anniversary or
birthday, please contact JoAnn Baker
in the church office (706.234.6406).
We want to celebrate with you!



We're on the Web:
Zaveumc.org



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Edith Swint's 95th Birthday party



Vacation Bible School



Church Night at Rome Braves Game



SECOND HELPINGS

Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall
mount up with WINGS like eagles... Isaiah 40:31

Worship...

Golden Jubilee Anniversary Sunday, August 12

We will celebrate our Golden Jubilee Anniversary with a special worship service with guest musicians, Heather Petro and The Tin Roof Band, and guest preacher, Rev. Dr. James Mitchell. We will also have a feast after the service! Please mark your calendar now and plan to attend. If you know of any former church members, please invite them to come. It will be like a homecoming filled with stories and music from the past! A special offering will be collected for capital improvement.

If you have pictures and memorabilia from the 1960's related to the church, please bring them to the church. Include your name on items so we can get them back to the correct owners.

Murphy-Harpst Annual Offering

Sunday, August 12
Murphy-Harpst Children's Centers, Inc., is a nonprofit organization in Cedartown that provides behavioral healthcare, educational, preventative and intervention services to Georgia's most severely abused children by giving them a home and hope. Help support this important ministry in our community with your donation to this annual offering.

Acolyte Training

Sunday, August 19
Rev. Millie will lead an acolyte training session and pizza party after worship as a refresher for youth who have been serving and a great start for new ones.

Invite...

Missionary Support:

Nancy Carew is a United Methodist missionary in Liberia who we support financially. Please send Nancy a card for her birthday on August 6, and thank her for the work she does on our behalf sharing the good news of Jesus' love.

Nancy Carew
United Methodist Center
Liberia Annual Conference
13th Street Sinkor, P.O. Box 10-1010
Monrovia, Liberia

Nurture...

Pool Party:

Saturday, August 4 ~ 4:00 p.m.
All children, youth and young at heart are invited to a pool party at the home of Lee & Rhonda Upshaw (1754 Old Cedartown Road, Lindale). Please bring a dish to share as well as your towel and a chair.

Grow...

Lay Servant Introductory Class:

This is the introductory class, formally titled "Leading and Learning, An Introduction to Lay Ministry". This class offers a introduction to:

- * Our Wesleyan and Methodist Heritage
- * Our connectional system
- * Spiritual Gifts
- * Servant Leadership
- * Grace

... and many other fundamental teachings of the Methodist Church.

This course would be valuable for anyone in a leadership position in the church. The intent is not necessarily to promote Lay Servant Ministries, but to offer an additional training resource for churches.

They will be offering two Saturday sessions in August, the 11th and the 25th, with sessions lasting 5 hours each, from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. The normal fee for such classes is \$40, but they are offering this particular session for only \$20. Please see JoAnn in church office for a registration form. If you have any questions, please call Tim Galloway at 706-346-8144 or email him at jtgalloway@outlook.com.

Serve...

Meals & More:

Tuesday, August 7 ~ 3:30-5:30 p.m.
Come and volunteer your time to help feed the hungry. Everyone is invited to help pack and distribute meals for Meals & More at Rome First UMC (202 E. 3rd Avenue). We also appreciate donations of personal size toiletries in the box in the fellowship hall.

SECOND HELPINGS

Acolytes:

8/05 Isaac Tucker
8/12 Railey Davis
8/19 Noah Tucker
8/26 Macy Davis

Liturgists:

8/05 Greg Gaston
8/12 Lee Upshaw
8/19 Doug Meredith
8/26 John Franclemont

Ushers:

Ronnie Farmer (head usher)
Jill Borchert, Dan Emerick,
Beth Gibbons, Thomas Kislak,
Lee Roberts

Nursery:

8/05 Beth Gibbons
8/12 Betty Crymes
8/19 Emily Embree
8/26 Buffy Davis

Congregational Care & Concern:

8/05 Shirley Dodson
8/12 Sally Farmer
8/19 Inez Fears
8/26 Vicki Thomason

Counters:

8/05 Mike Colombo & Cindy Smith
8/12 Mary Beth B. & Greg Gaston
8/19 Barbara Cothran & Dan Emerick
8/26 Amy Astin & Dottie Taylor

Flowers:

8/05
8/12 Emerick
8/19 Gaston
8/26



Vital Signs

Average Worship Attendance in July: 73

Financial giving in July: \$20,808

Budgeted amount needed as of July: \$128,742

Budgeted amount given as of July: \$119,892

Blessings and Gratitude

Dear Friends in Mission:

Thank you for your gift to support the following missionaries and ministries of the General Board of Global Ministries: Nancy Carew and Red Bird Mission. When giving through The Advance, the designated giving channel of The United Methodist Church, 100 percent of your contribution is applied to the designated project(s) or to missionary support. Giving through The Advance enables United Methodists to partner with one another in mission and ministry around the world. Thank you for joining with us in God's mission.

Your generosity makes it possible for the church to extend God's mission across the globe to more than 60 countries and to many areas of the United States. Your gift supports missionaries and projects focused on evangelism, church development, education, disaster relief and rehabilitation, health services, and programs for children and young people. We are grateful for your support of this life-giving work.

Grace and Peace,

Roland Fernandes, General Treasurer, General Board of Global Ministries

Russell Pierce, Executive Director of Communications, Advance & Fundraising

Need A Prayer?

Please let us know your prayer concerns. You may submit prayer requests:

- In writing: fill out a prayer request form in the sanctuary pew racks
- By phone: call the prayer line at 706.234.6406 (press 3 when prompted)
- By email: millie@2aveumc.org

If you have a confidential request, please contact Rev. Millie (404.759.4778) .

"Pray, and let God worry." Martin Luther

Pastoral Care Need?

Please contact the church ASAP when you are in need of Pastoral Care!

To contact the Pastor:

- During office hours, please call 706.234.6406
- After hours, please call 404.759.4778

Prayer List

CONGREGATION

Susan Autry
Ercel Blair
Lynda Boggs
Herb Brown
Danny Carver
Giles Chapman
Erin Ables Clark
Phil & Jane Franssen
Joyce Gann
Carolyn Garwood
Norma Gresham
Charles Griffin
Family of Eloise Johnson
Mardelle Lynch
Bill Mathis
Lib Rogers
Cindy Swint
Edith Swint
Vivian VanLandingham
Carol Vogt

Friends & Family

Oneida Adams
Travis Atkinson
Sarah Bailie
Betty Jo Barton
Ray Billy Bishop
Suzanne Black
Terri Black
Linda Brown
Shirley Carroll
Nini Chilton
MaeDell Clark
Dusti Edwards
Daria Giebler
Gary & Lanette Greene
Laura Harrison
Bob Henderson
Phil Herron
Garrett Jones
Milton Kahn
Bill & Peggy Lanier
Dean Mallow
Wayne Matthews
Cade Maynor
Military Personnel
Kaisley Miller

John Morris & Family
Rev. Dr. Harvey Palmer
Bill Peace
Peggy Pharr
Connie Ray
Jack "Snake" Ray
Ed & Peggy Reynolds
Steve Shaw
Trish Sherman
Betty Stephens
President Trump
Midge Watford
Jim Williams
Kennedy Williams
Debbie Willis
Martha & Charles Wilson, Jr.
Edmund & Sandy Yeargan

Persons of the Week

August 05: Alice Walker
(Eloise Johnson's daughter)
415 Flat Shoals Road
Gay, GA 30218

Dick Johnson
(Eloise Johnson's son)
989 Musago Run
Lake Mary, FL 32746

August 12: Bill Mathis
1101 Old Dalton Road, NE
Rome, GA 30165-9023

August 19: Joyce Gann
Rome Health & Rehab, Room 40
1345 Redmond Road
Rome, GA 30165

August 26: Mary Sue Gilleland
205 North Elm Street, NW
Rome, GA 30165-0575

*Please remember these friends with
cards, calls, visits, and prayers.*

August 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2 5:00pm Line Dancing	3	4 Patty Baker 4:00pm Pool Party at Upshaws' Home
5 Betty Crymes 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship	6	7 3:30pm Meals & More at Rome First UMC	8	9 Paula & Tommy Jones 5:00pm Line Dancing	10 Matthew Gibbons Patty & Phil Baker	11
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