

Second Helpings

Second Avenue United Methodist Church ~ May 2018

Special Events in May

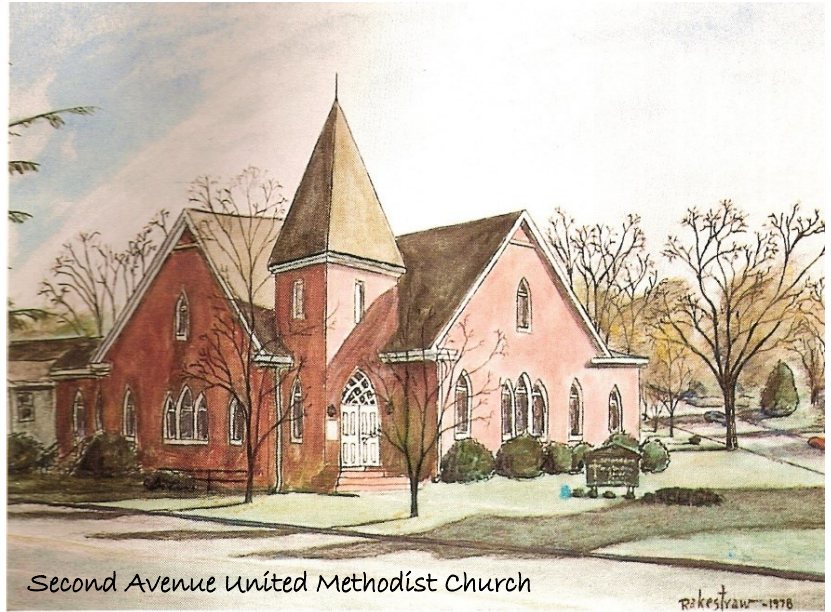
May 01 - Meals and More

May 05 - Men's Club Yard Sale

May 13 - Mother's Day
Wesley Woods Offering

May 20 - Smart Lunch Planning Meeting

May 29 - Meals and More



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

Our Vision: 'Knowing Christ & Making Christ Known'

May Giving Opportunities

Through their generosity, **United Methodist Women** members help empower and improve the lives of women, youth, and children in the United States and around the world. Our unit of UMW supports this global and local mission work through the North Georgia Conference UMW, but also through contributions to Good Neighbor Ministries and Murphy-Harpst Children's Centers, supporting mission work very close to home. Our UMW invites you to contribute to their mission fund in honor or memory of mothers, grandmothers, and other special women in your life. Please submit your donations along with the name(s) of those you honor or remember with your gift. Their names will be printed in special insert in the Mother's Day worship bulletin.

Wesley Woods will serve over 1500 older adults in Georgia this year with residential services, health care, rehabilitation, nursing home care, and specialized care for Parkinson's and Alzheimer's Diseases. More than 75% of residents are dependent on financial assistance, and one-third live below the poverty level. With longer life spans and escalating healthcare costs, older adults often outlive their resources. The North Georgia United Methodist Conference realized the breadth of this problem seven decades ago, resulting in the creation of Wesley Woods. Serving older adults of all income levels, Wesley Woods provides North Georgia with nine thriving communities and resident-centered care. With your gift on Mother's Day to Wesley Woods, we can give grace and hope and make a difference to this important ministry for our older neighbors in North Georgia.

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR



“A body isn’t just a single part blown up into something huge. It’s all the different-but-similar parts arranged and functioning together... We see that God has carefully placed each part of the body right where he wanted it. But I also want you to think about how this keeps your significance from getting blown up into self-importance. For no matter how significant you are, it is only because what you are a part of...The way God designed our bodies is a model for understanding our lives together as a church: every part dependent on every other part, the parts we mention and the parts we don’t.” (1 Corinthians 12 selected verses, The Message)

As I am re-appointed to Second Avenue for another year, I am reminded again that God has put us together for a reason. We must learn to live together, not just to barely survive but to thrive together. We must live together to form a body of Christ, healthy and active. We must live together for God and also live together for one another in harmony, appreciating and respecting one another. One may look at Betty and say, “Well, she is ancient and she walks with a walker. That says it all!” But God sees her compassion, encouraging heart, servant heart, fun-loving spirit, and God also knows that she serves the Lord as a “call girl.” Without Betty, the body of Christ (Second Avenue) cannot function well. Another may look at Jim and say, “Well, he might as well change his name to ‘Hal E. Luya!’” But God sees his passion and enthusiasm for Jesus and without Jim, this pastor will not receive her weekly encouragement in his beautiful penmanship. Without our kitchen crew, our meals would be chaotic. Without our Trustees, we would worship under a leaky roof; without Dan we would be locked out! And without Scottie, our life would be endlessly boring! So appreciate and respect one another! DO NOT take anyone for granted. We need each and every one in the body of Christ to be healthy and active!

I want to share with you a prayer written by Michel Bouttier whom I am reading this year.

Lord, we had walked a long time without being able to recognize You. We were going along together, but our hearts were heavy, heavy with defeat, with hurt feeling, with fogginess, and with indifference. We were saying as we walked that it’s all over for Your people here and the stone of the tomb has rolled shut on all our hopes.

Then this Sunday, You gathered us around the table. The bread was broken, our eyes were opened, and we recognized You... this great circle, so often torn, Your resurrected body!

Amen,
Millie

MAY SERMON SCRIPTURE

- May 06** 1 Thessalonians 3:6-13 | Matthew 18:15-20 | "Salvation and Community" | Communion Sunday
- May 13** 1 John 5:9-13 | Luke 13:31-35 | “A Special Love” | Mother’s Day
- May 20** Acts 2:1-21 | John 16:4-15 | “When the Holy Spirit Comes” | Pentecost/Membership Sunday
- May 27** Philippians 1:3-11 | John 15:9-17 | “Re-Membering” | Memorial Day Weekend
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Global Ministries EarthKeepers Trainings are coming to Atlanta, May 17-20

EarthKeepers equips United Methodist laity and clergy to develop or deepen environmental initiatives in their churches and communities, and it connects them with a broader community of United Methodists who are active in creation care. Training topics will include eco-theology, intersectionality, strategies for social change, and United Methodist resources. Participants will leave the training with a plan to develop a project.

The Atlanta training will take place at Global Ministries Headquarters May 17-20 and will include a component on green buildings and infrastructure. We will meet with Shane Totten, Director of Research + Innovation at Southface, a non-profit organization that promotes sustainable development and green building in the southeastern US.



Vital Signs

Average Worship Attendance in April: 95
Financial giving in April: \$25,012
Budgeted amount needed as of April: \$72,953
Budgeted amount given as of April: \$71,889

Blessings and Gratitude

Dear Friends,
Thank you for contributing recently to the ministries of Red Bird Mission, Inc. During the Easter and spring season we experience so many signs of rebirth and hope. Your gifts to the Mission give hope and new opportunities to those that we serve.

The following highlights demonstrate hope and opportunity for the people living in the Red Bird Valley.

- Extracurricular opportunities through team sports such as softball, track and field, and baseball involve many of our Red Bird Christian School students, but one student recently won a fine arts competition.
- Audiologists and students from the University of Cincinnati recently screened 89 people in a free, two-day hearing clinic coordinated by our Community Health Education Nurse of Red Clinic Inc.
- It's been exciting to see the walls come up this month on the third new home of the Red bird Build project being built by the volunteers from United Methodist Church Murfreesboro (TN) District.

We value your prayers and continuing support in our efforts to create opportunities for a better life on earth for those we serve while spreading the eternal hope God gives us through Jesus Christ.

Grace and Peace,
Kari Collins, Executive Director, Red Bird Mission, Inc.

Pastor Millie,

Thank you so much for the Easter basket and "goodies." I loved the bouquet of lavender and several have commented on it.

You are so thoughtful and such a caring person. I am so sorry I missed you. I wish you, your family, and your congregation the very best.

Thank you again,
Sylvia Elliott

Second Avenue,

I want to thank all of you for your letters and cards of encouragement. It means a lot to me to know that I haven't been forgotten and to wish me well as I and my family face new challenges. My prayer is that God may bless each and everyone. Thank you.

Giles Chapman

Many thanks to Beth Gibbons, Jill Borchert and all those who helped make the Fifth Sunday Meal such a great success. Both the congregation and our visitors enjoyed the lovely décor and delicious food.

May Birthdays

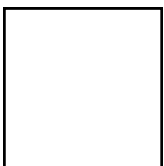
- 01 Mike Colombo
- 01 Olivia Gibson
- 02 Faye Kesler
- 03 Jody Rogers
- 05 Jesse Meredith
- 06 Vicki Thomason
- 09 Kevin Soh
- 10 Shirley Dodson
- 14 Shannon Kislak
- 15 Ernie Myers
- 16 Dawn Ables
- 17 Beth Colombo
- 18 John Franclemont
- 18 Phil Taylor
- 21 Lynn Duck
- 23 Carolynn Carver
- 26 Michael Gibson

May Anniversaries

5/15 Chad & Emily Embree

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:
Zavcumc.org



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Roman Holiday Riverboat Cruise



Alpharetta First UMC Hand Bell Choir Sunday and Fifth Sunday Lunch



SECOND HELPINGS

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

Worship...

Pentecost:

On Pentecost Sunday, May 20, please wear red to symbolize the Holy Spirit's coming among us, filling us with power and inspiration. We celebrate all the ways we are fulfilling our mission to "make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world"!

Invite...

Rome Area Prayer Breakfast:

Thursday, May 3 ~ 7:00 a.m.

Please pray for the breakfast on the National Day of Prayer and make plans now to attend. Please let Rev. Millie know if you would like to go.

Nurture...

Keenagers:

Thursday, May 24 ~ 8:30 a.m. (new date)

The Keenagers visit to Fred Hamilton's Garden in Hiwassee has been rescheduled. We will leave the church at 8:30 a.m. and return around 4:30-5:00 p.m. We will have lunch at The Lodge in Brasstown then go to the Garden. The cost is \$12/person for the bus and gas depending on how many people sign up. In addition, each person is responsible for their buffet lunch (around \$13) and the entrance fee to the Garden (\$3). There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the church office. Please contact Terry Clift for more details (terryclift@me.com or 706-506-4205).

Grow...

Vacation Bible School:

July 9-13 ~ Three years through rising 5th grade
Rolling River Rampage

We can all contribute toward the success of this summer's Vacation Bible School! Youth in 6th grade or above are welcome as VBS assistants. Adults, too, please volunteer your time and talents! We also appreciate financial donations!

Smart Lunch/Smart Kid:

We're getting ready for our sixth year helping to serve the children of our neighborhood with a healthy lunch, enriching activities, and plenty of love this summer! Volunteers are invited to a planning meeting on Sunday, May 20, after worship in the Fellowship Hall. Whether you can help out one day or every day, please come lend your thoughts to make this summer a great time for all!

Serve...

Meals & More:

Tuesdays, May 1 & May 29 ~ 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Everyone is invited to help pack and distribute meals for Meals & More at Rome First UMC (202 E 3rd Ave)—**Please note change of site.** Everyone is invited to come and volunteer your time to help feed the hungry. We also appreciate donations of personal size toiletries in the box in the fellowship hall.

Men's Club Yard Sale:

Saturday, May 5 ~ 7:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

This annual event is a big fundraiser for the ministries the Men's Club supports. We need your help to make it a success. Please come shop for treasures, and invite neighbors and friends! Let Scottie know if you have large items to donate, and we will pick them up!
706.346.5998.

The Easter Basket Project 2018

The Easter Basket Project was a big success again this year. It is only successful each year because of your loving giving hearts. We were able to bring smiles to the faces of 28 children. I want to thank all of you that gave generously. Your giving is what makes this project possible each year. A special thank you to my Helping Hands friends who helped stuff eggs and put baskets together. I also want to thank JoAnn for her help and support. Finally, a "BIG" shout out to Scottie Edwards who always supports me on delivery day with a big smile on his face – no matter where we have to go or how long it takes. —Judy Myers, Easter Basket Project Coordinator

SECOND HELPINGS

Acolytes:

5/06 Railey Davis
5/13 Isaac Tucker
5/20 Chloe Duck
5/27 Noah Tucker

Liturgists:

5/06 Mike Colombo
5/13 Patty Baker
5/20 Amy Astin
5/27 Steve Davis

Ushers:

Ronnie Farmer (head usher)
Bob Baker, Mike Colombo,
Steve Davis, Tommy Jones,
Doug Meredith

Nursery:

5/06 Betty Crymes
5/13 Nancy Clift
5/20 Patty Baker
5/27 Laura Bledsoe

Congregational Care & Concern:

5/06 Darlene Wallace
5/13 Nancy Clift
5/20 Shirley Dodson
5/27 Sally Farmer

Counters:

5/06 Mike Colombo & Cindy Smith
5/13 Mary Beth B. & Greg Gaston
5/20 Barbara Cothran & Dan Emerick
5/27 Amy Astin & Dottie Taylor

Flowers:

5/06 Kim
5/13 UMW
5/20 Dodson
5/27 Smith

Rome Area Prayer Breakfast

May 3, 2018 ~ 7:00 AM - 8:30 AM

The 2018 Rome Area Prayer Breakfast will be on the National Day of Prayer ~ Thursday, May 3 from 7:00 - 8:30 ~ (doors open at 6:30 a.m.) at Forum River Center. This event is for the whole community. Breakfast is provided by Chick-fil-A Dwarf House.

Local leaders will pray for our nation, our community and our families.

Pastor Wally Magdangal, who was here in 2014, is the guest speaker.

Tickets are complimentary but you do need either a ticket or a reservation to attend.

Complimentary tickets are available at Bert Brooks Tire, Chick-fil-A Dwarf House, Christian Counseling and Education Ministries, Dogwood Books, Doug's Deli Downtown, Duffy's Deli, sweetFrog Premium frozen yogurt, and Winslette Pharmacy.

Complimentary parking in the 3rd Avenue Parking Deck is provided by Redmond Regional Medical Center.

All are welcome! For more information, call 706.295.1409 or email romeprayerbreakfast@gmail.com.

Women's Fellowship

United Methodist Women will not have their regular May meeting. Watch for a notice of a special happening in early June.

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
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Prayer List

CONGREGATION

Betty Albers
Susan Autry
Ercel Blair
Lynda Boggs
Helen Broom
Herb Brown
Danny Carver
Giles Chapman
Erin Ables Clark
Inez Fears
Phil & Jane Franssen
Joyce Gann
Carolyn Garwood
Margaret Gibson
Norma Gresham
Charles Griffin
Eloise Johnson
Mardelle Lynch
Lib Rogers
Cindy Smith
Edith Swint
Vivian VanLandingham
Carol Vogt

FRIENDS & FAMILY

Oneida Adams
Sarah Bailie
Judy Barcik
Betty Jo Barton
Ray Billy Bishop
Suzanne Black
Terri Blake
Brant Family
Linda Brown
Nini Chilton
MaeDell Clark
Jennifer Cooneen
Dusti Edwards
Laura Flandreau
Daria Giebler
Janet Gordon
Patty Harvey
Bob Henderson
Phil Herron
Buck Huckaby
Garrett Jones
Milton Kahn
Peggy Lanier
Reba Lockaby
Dean Mallow

Cade Maynor
Military Personnel
Kaisley Miller
John Morris & Family
Rev. Dr. Harvey Palmer
Connie Ray
Ed & Peggy Reynolds
Carolyn Ruiz
Trish Sherman
Sarah Sullins
Stough Family
Jim Williams
Kennedy Williams
Edmund & Sandy Yeargan

Persons of the Week

May 06: Edith Swint

418 East 8th Street
Rome, GA 30161-3357

May 20: Joyce Gann

707 East 17th Street
Rome, GA 30161-7101

May 13: Carol Vogt

Magnolia Hills, Room 51
504 Historic 441 North
Demorest, GA 30535

May 27: Eloise Johnson

180 Woodrow Wilson Way, A102
Rome, GA 30165-1498

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

May 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Mike Colombo Olivia Gibson 9:30am Helping Hands 3:30pm Meals & More	2 Faye Kesler	3 Jody Rogers 10:00am Joyful Noise 1:00pm 'Revelation for Everyone' Bible Study 5:00pm Line Dancing	4	5 Jesse Meredith 7:00am Men's Club Yard Sale
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