

Second Helpings

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Pastor's Page– Rev. Dr. Millie L. Kim



The Annual Conference voted to allow 70 churches to disaffiliate in the NG conference- we have over 800 churches so number wise it is about 9% of the churches. Membership-wise, these are mostly small churches pastored by part time local pastors. All 70 churches make up about 3% of membership, that is less than 10,000 members. There were 7 pastors who withdrew from our Annual Conference and changed their membership to other denominations. We have 1,300 clergy members and 360,000 lay members in the North Georgia Annual Conference.

Some of the churches that disaffiliated in our area are: Beech Creek UMC, Chapel Hill UMC, Metropolitan UMC, South Broad UMC, etc.

You are wondering where Second Avenue is and what will happen to us. My answer is that Second Avenue will be Second Avenue. We will not change much. What's happening at the conference level has very little impact on us. It has always been that way. One nice change is that our apportionments have decreased! The Book of Discipline will remain the same until the General Conference meets in 2024. This November, I will be attending the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference as a delegate to elect more bishops. We are short on bishops due to retirement so some of the bishops are presiding over two different annual conferences!!! We are also short on clergy in our annual conference (almost every annual conference) so local pastors and deacons are stepping up to pastor churches.

Another exciting bit of news from the Annual Conference is the offering of The B.E.A.T. (Barnes Evaluation and Administration Team) Grant. - Every year they grant 1.3+ Million to different churches for outreach and church growth. Our church can apply for the grant and receive funds. As I mentioned in services, I have many crazy ideas like a food truck, community gardens, free summer/music camp, etc. but there has to be laity interests and support. I hope and pray that you dream and pray about this and step forward with your ideas and support! To read further on this grant, here is a link: <https://www.ngumc.org/beat-mission-and-vision>.

I want to remind us that Second Avenue UMC is not a political organization; we are a church! We will continue to be a church! Our dividedness is a hindrance to our mission in the world! To be honest, our dividedness will jeopardize not only our mission but our very existence. I ask you to pray for our church and for me in such a time as this.

Your Pastor, *Millie*

Photo Highlights from June



Worshippers on Pentecost



Children's moment.



Summer handbell practice!



Acolyte training for Jesse Meredith & Kevin Baleon.



Fathers Day—Children honor their dads.





Lake Junaluska-
Leigh and Millie



Lake Junaluska-
Music and
Worship Arts
Week



Lake Junaluska-
Sterling Triplett'
mother, Crisanne
played in the Ad-
vanced Handbell
Group.



John Schultz
Memorial Service
on 6/18/22



Lake Junaluska-
Crisanne Triplett &
Millie



Lake Junaluska-
Rev. Dr. Grace
Imathiu



Having a great
time with church
family!

Report from 2022 North GA Conference

Amy Astin Lay Member At large Delegate

After missing two years of in person conferencing due to COVID our conference met again, mask to mask at the Classic Center on the campus of the University of GA in Athens, June 1-4, 2022.

Theme this year was A Place for you at the Table and every program reminded us that we are asked to do just that..... accept everyone to the table to worship our God.

A brief overview of our days together is as follows:

In North Georgia, we want to Be Disciples Who Make Disciples Devoted To these 5 areas of focus:

Scriptural Literacy & Imagination

Health and Wellbeing

Community Engagement

Racial Justice and Healing

New Faith Opportunities and Communities

Members of the 2022 North Georgia Annual Conference ratified the disaffiliation agreements of 70 churches

Board of Pension and Health Benefits

The recommendations, found in the handbook on pages 85-86 were approved. This included a decrease in rates charged to participants and church portion for the clergy health insurance. Additionally, the Conference Board of Pensions and Health Benefits voted to designate a portion of an over-funded Retiree Medical plan to offset unfunded pension liability.

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A New Strategic Headquarters

The trustees presented the recommendation of the United Methodist Center Relocation Task Force to buy property adjacent to College Park UMC to build a 5,400 sq foot headquarters utilizing designated funds that are projected to adequately cover the costs. Conference members voted to approve the recommendation to purchase the property on E. Main Street, College Park, Georgia, and build a new conference headquarters.

Board of Ordained Ministry

Rev. Julie Boone, Chair of the Board of Ordained Ministry, presented the Licensed Local Pastors, Provisional Candidates, and Candidates for Ordination. The North Georgia Conference adopted two resolutions, both related to Native American Ministry.

Bishop Sue Hauptert-Johnson officially fixed the appointments of clergy effective July 1, 2022.

Once again, I thank you for allowing me to represent you at the North GA Conference. All details can be found on the website: NGUMC.org

In Loving Memory

Psalm 23:4 "Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me."



In Memory of Lori Ann Dempsey Jarrell

Lori Ann left us too early on November 19, 2021 at age 57.

We had her graveside service on June 11th, 2022 at Sunset Hill Memorial Gardens, here in Rome.

Please keep Randy Jarrell in your prayers, and send condolences to:

123 Green Morris Lane, Mooresville, NC 28117.

In Memory of Andrea Gibson Wear

Andrea "Andi" Gibson Wear left us too early at age 42 on Monday, June 6, 2022.

We had her funeral service on June 13th at our church and she was buried at Oaknoll Memory Gardens.

Please keep Margaret Gibson & her family in your prayers, & send condolences to:

3 Etowah Drive, Rome, GA 30161.

The family asks that any memorial donations be made to The Humane Society in loving memory of Andi.



In Memory of Bill Mathis



Mr William Emory Mathis passed away on Friday, June 24th, 2022

We had his funeral service on June 28th in the North Chapel at Henderson and Sons Funeral Home, and he was buried at Old Armuchee Baptist Church Cemetery.

Please keep Julie Mathis & her family in your prayers, & send condolences to:

1101 Old Dalton Road, NE, Rome, GA 30165-9023.

Please send any donations to The Electrical Lineworker Apprentice Program at Georgia Northwestern Technical College in Rockmart, GA.

In Memory of Bob Dodson

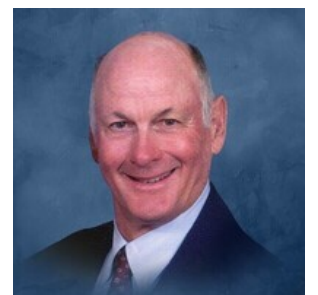
Mr Robert Dunn Dodson passed away on Sunday June 26th, 2022.

His memorial service will be held here at Second Avenue UMC, on Friday July 8th, at 11:30 a.m.

Please keep Shirley Dodson & her family in your prayers, & send condolences to:

197 Meadow Lakes Blvd, Cedartown, GA 30125-4494.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Second Avenue United Methodist Church.





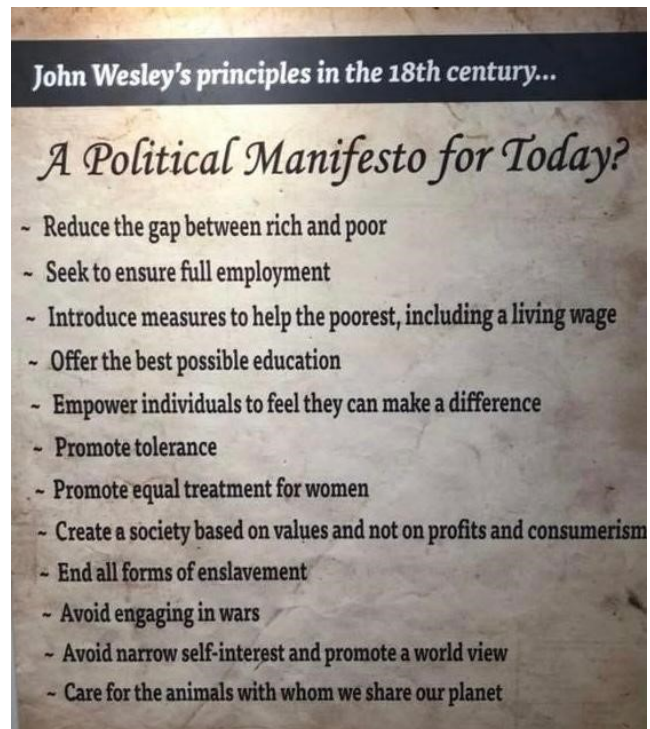
Second Avenue UMC presents
VBS "Encanto"!!

July 11–15, 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m

Please plan to volunteer!

Contact Emily Embree @

706-766-3294 for more information.



July 20th, 6:00 PM

Join us for Wednesday Night Game Night!

We will provide hamburgers/hot dogs

Please bring your favorite summer salad, dessert, or fruit to share!

Games to follow

(Note: Choir is on break for summer, so this will not interfere with practice)



Join us on Sunday July 31st!

Covered Dish lunch immediately following service.

Rev. Dr. Beth Sanders will be our special guest as we welcome her back to the Northwest District as our new District Superintendent.

Camp Meeting Style Worship

In the month of July and August, we will have camp meeting style worship. Scottie Edwards will lead hymn singing from Cokesbury Hymnal and a simple message at the end. If there is anyone who would love to share a testimony, please let Pastor Millie know.

Morrison Camp Meeting will take place from July 15-24. Second Avenue plans to go on Wednesday July 20 and Thursday, July 21 as a group. You are welcome to go every night. Please put this in your calendar and make plans to attend.

HUGE THANKS to everyone who contributed to our church clean up day on June 18th! Our campus looks beautiful!



July Schedule

Acolytes

07/03 Macy Davis
07/10 Leigh Kim-Soh
07/17 Theo Kislat
07/24 Jesse Meredith
07/31 Railey Davis

Liturgists

07/03 Steve Davis
07/10 Amy Astin
07/17 Thomas Kislat
07/24 Mike Columbo
07/31 Doug Meredith

Counters

07/03 Mike Colombo & Cindy Smith
07/10 Mary Beth Boxterman & Greg Gaston
07/17 Dan Emerick & Amy Astin
07/24 Greg Gaston
07/31 TBD

July Sermon Scriptures

7/3/22 "Fearfully & Wonderfully Made" –Psalm 139:1-14 - Communion Sunday
7/10/22 "Gifted to Love" –Matthew 22:34-40 - Camp Meeting
7/17/22 "Gifted to Serve" –1 Peter 4:1-11 - Camp Meeting
7/24/22 "The Greatest Gift" –Romans 5:1-11 - Camp Meeting
7/31/22 Rev. Dr. Beth Sanders, District Superintendent, Preacher - Camp Meeting



Blessings and Gratitude

Dear Pastor Millie, Kevin and our friends at 2nd Avenue Methodist Church:

The picture of the frazzled me eating strawberry shortcake (fresh strawberries delivered by Kevin and the girls) in the most recent Newsletter reminded me that I need to express my appreciation for the cards, other expressions of concern and kindnesses that I have received from the loving folks at the church since my unfortunate accident. My final meeting with the doctors are scheduled this week and I fully expect to be released from the light duty regimes that I have been limited to for the last few weeks.

In addition to the fellowship which is so evident among church members one thing that impresses me greatly is the way folks really rally around when there is a need in the congregation. This has been evident in my case and I would thank you for including me, a kind of part time member, in the group.

With my sincerest best wishes to all,

Len

Dear Second Avenue Family,

I am so blessed to have such a wonderful church family. Thank you all for the food, cards, calls, prayers and visits. It would be hard to make it without you. Each and every one of you are an example of God's love and I will always remember you for your acts of kindness.

Love to all,

Margaret, Maddie & Reece



Dearest Second Avenue friends,

What a blessing to have my church family! Don't know what I would do without you!

Your prayers and cards keep me going, especially lately!

My family thanks you too!

Always on my mind,

Love, Julie & Bill Mathis

Dear Second Avenue Family,

I have been blessed by your love and kindness for the past 14 years and never more so than during this hardest season of my life. I'll never be able to thank you enough for your generosity to John & me during his illness. All I can do is say Thank you for everything, including the lovely service, the food, the cards, and mostly your prayers! I love you all! God Bless, JoAnn

Persons of the Week

July 03:

Mary Jane Gibbons

(Beth Gibbons' Mother-in-law)
17 Glenview Dr NE
Rome Ga 30165

July 10:

Margaret, Maddie & Reece Gibson

3 Etowah Drive
Rome, GA 30161

&

Cliff & Michelle, Michael & Olivia Gibson

6 Parkwood Circle,
Rome, GA 30161-3489

July 17:

JoAnn Thomas

196 Old Calhoun Road, NE
Rome, GA 30161

July 24:

Julie Mathis

101 Old Dalton Road, NE
Rome, GA 30161-9023

July 31:

Tom & Lynda Climer

535 Old Wax Road, SE
Aragon, GA 30104-1431



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



Congregation

Genny Alexander
Lee Brock
Helen Broom
Herb & Paula Brown
Jim & Gerrie Burton
Lynda & Tom Climer
Barbara Cothran
Betty Crymes
Nancy Davis
The Dodson Family
Terry Duck
Jane Franssen
Carolyn Garwood
The Gibbons Family
The Gibson Family
Tommy Jones
The Lewis Family
Mardelle Lynch
The Mathis Family
Ernie Myers

Bill Pharr
Vivian VanLandingham
Anne Westfield
Len & Beverly Woodward
Friends & Family
Jimmy Brown
Chris Butler
Jim & Norma Cannon
Barbara Conklin
Susan Daniel
Ruth Day
Wendy Herndon
Alan Howell's Family
Steve Hudson
Dan Hulhearn
Randy Jarrell & Taylor
Garrette Jones
Nevin Jones' Family
Ann Little's Family
Bobby Magnicheri
Taylor Martin

Helen & Will McDonald
Tom McElroy
Ed Mitchell
Lynette Murphy
Jim Myrick
Skip Nordenberg
Peggy Pharr
Theodore Popham
Nicole Potvin
Jim Rogers' Family
Sharon Seckinger
Gary Stephens
Steve Stutts
Steven & Sherry Teeter
JoAnn Thomas
Bill Underwood
Jeremy Wear
Midge Watford
Lisa Wheat
Jalen Wofford

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July Birthdays

7/4	Pam Wilkey
7/7	Thomas Kislal
7/9	Lee Upshaw
7/11	Cora Gaston
7/14	Kathryn Gibbons
7/16	Dylan Baker
7/16	Jesse Baker
7/18	Briggs Whitefield
7/21	Conley Chapman
7/26	Ashley Wilkey
7/29	Merinda Magnicheri



July Anniversaries

7/2	Bill & Jerry Waters
7/7	Randy & Vicki Embree
7/9	Merinda & Ralph Magnicheri
7/17	Shannon & Thomas Kislal
7/23	Tom & Rose Collum

Altar Flowers Calendar

July 3:

July 10:

July 17:

July 24:

July 31:

Flower donations are \$50.

Please contact the us in the church office
@ 706.234.6406 to reserve.