Second Helpings



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World Communion Sunday



2020 World Communion Sunday Service Coosa Valley Fairgrounds Parking Lot October 4, 2020 at 10:00am

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Special Dates

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Please plan to join us in this very special combined service sponsored by Trinity UMC Rome, Metropolitan UMC, Second Avenue UMC, South Broad UMC, and Rome First UMC.

We pray you'll be blessed as we worship, pray, and commune with God and others. If you forget to bring your communion elements, there will be prepackaged elements available during the service

Tune your car stereo to FM 98.1 to hear the service over your car speakers in the parking lot.

Please feel free to stay in your car or to use a lawn chair and sit outside your car. Please remain socially distant from others so that we can follow the governor's guidelines.

If you or a friend can't attend in person, it will be live streamed at each congregation's Facebook page, YouTube channel, and/or website as possible.

Please find linked the World Communion Sunday - Order of Worship:

http://mailchi.mp/trinityumcrome/2020-world-communion-sunday-service-bulletin

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From The Rome-Floyd County Library Facebook page:

"The Rome-Floyd County Library would like to thank Mr. Robert 'Bob' Baker for his 15 years of service. During this time, Mr. Bob has touched the lives of every staff member and many of our patrons. He has been a friend, colleague, and helping hand.

To say we will miss him is an understatement. Words cannot express the love and admiration we all feel for this kind and wise gentleman. Thank you, Mr. Bob!"







Many thanks to Scottie Edwards for all the time he dedicates to our annual Apple Sale!



We will miss Jim Gibbons' great Halloween costumes

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Persons of the Week

October 04: Helen Broom

703D Lee Avenue Rome, GA 30161

October 11: Thomas Kislat

310 E. 8th Street Rome, GA 30161-3318 October 18: Carolyn Prater, Lee & Alex Brock

103 Ridgeway Drive SE Silver Creek, GA 30173

October 25: Nancy Davis

1797 Calhoun Road, NE Rome, GA 30161-8972

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

Homeless Needs

For the increasing homeless population in Rome, we are gathering essential items to distribute them at the Community Kitchen. Items needed are:

Feminine Products Hand Sanitizers Pocket Tissues Toothpaste/Toothbrush Any Toiletry Items Washcloths Individually Wrapped Snack Items

You can bring them to church on Sunday or during church office hours.

Prayer List

Congregation Friends & Family Carl Alexander Katherine Ammons Susan Autry Terri Black

Bob Baker Linda Brown Erma Braden Daria Giebler Herb Brown Patty Harvey

Jim & Gerrie Burton Destiny Erica Head

Danny Carver Khloe Hill Giles Chapman Sue Hurley Nancy Davis JoAnn Jacks Ronnie Farmer Larry Jacks Phil Franssen Janie Jolley Garrett Jones

Carolyn Garwood Gibbons Family Pat Jones Margaret Gibson Milton Kahn Michelle Gibson Bill & Peggy Lanier David Gresham Jayme & Kristy Laney Charles Griffin Lisa McDaniel

Mardelle Lynch Mason McKenzie Bill Pharr Alex Mendez Edith Swint Jacob Mendez

Vivian VanLandingham Tandalea Mendez Carol Vogt Military Personnel Darlene Wallace John Morris & Family

LuAnn Williams Sherry Nolan Diane Norrod Julie Ousley

Andy Peabody Deborah Reynolds Ruiz-Baleon Family

Nancy, Edwin, & Allison Sims

Dan Smith

Ionathan & Charlotte Sturtz

Paul Sturtz Bonnie Thomas Alex Trebek President Trump Julie & Addie Turner Urquhart Family Antonio Valles Tyson Wait John Walker Mary Whilllock Sunny Wilkerson

Jim Williams and Family

Kennedy Williams

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Pastor's Page



When I calculate my age, it is really easy and convenient that I was born in the year that marks the beginning of a decade! This means every time we usher in a decade, I also usher in a decade of my life. The year 2020 has been full of disasters, it nevertheless is bringing in the fifth decade of my life. Those of you who are older and wiser may have lots of advice for me because I am standing at the cusp of a half a century gone by, not knowing whether to celebrate or lament! You know the feeling?

I know you were planning a big celebration for me but here is what I really wish you would do. When I asked the Conference Controller where the money is needed most in North Georgia where I have spent 35+ years and that I dearly love, I received this email below.

Bruce Cooper
 Scooper@ngumc.org> Sep 16, 2020, 3:27 PM

Hi Millie,

Camp Glisson for sure since they were not able to have camps this summer. I also suggest Aldersgate Homes/Collinswood. They run summer camps for special needs persons and they also had to cancel summer activities.

Thanks,
Bruce Cooper
Controller

It was like God speaking to me directly because these two are near and dear to my heart! Please give to Camp Glisson or Aldersgate Homes/Collinswood if you'd like to honor me for my birthday. I am giving \$2,000 to Camp Glisson this year to support their mission, "Glisson joins with the church to make disciples of Jesus Christ and to nurture leadership by creating experiences in Creation and in Christian community that encourage transformation, growth, and renewal for all people." I also plan to give what I can to Aldersgate Homes/Collinswood during the conference-wide special offering on Sunday, October 29 and join their effort to "provide residential and recreational opportunities to the developmentally disabled and their families." What a birthday it will be! This may turn my lament into shouts of joy! Thank you for loving me, loving our Lord, and loving our church!

Your Pastor, Millie

October Sermon Scriptures

October 04 World Communion Combined Worship Service at Coosa Valley Fairgrounds

October 11 Nehemiah 1:1-11 | "O Lord, Hear the Prayer of Your People"

October 18 Nehemiah 2:11-20 | "Let Us Start Rebuilding"

October 25 Nehemiah 4:7-15 | "Thwarting Negativity"

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Vital Signs



Financial giving in September: \$20,026 Budgeted amount needed as of September: \$176,091 Budgeted amount given as of September: \$163,881 (Shortfall of -\$12,210)

Blessings and Gratitude

Dr. Kim and Second Ave. UMC,

Hello! I hope you and your congregation are well. I just wanted to write to say thank you so much again for your support both financially and prayerfully. Even though our time in Asia was cut short, your support helped us make so many relationships in East Asia and in Thailand that I will cherish forever.

I would love for you to continue to pray for the students we shared the Gospel with, and for East Asia as a country. I will start my graduate program to earn my Master's Degree in Speech Language Pathology soon, so I just wanted to thank you so much for being a part of what the Lord is doing in East Asia. Again, I thank you so much for your support! I am eternally grateful.

Love,

Valerie Moore

Millie,

Thanks so much for the delicious meal and many prayers for our family. I'm so sorry that it has taken me so long for a proper 'thank you.' Time has stood still for me. I can't believe that it's almost fall again.

You and your family mean so much to us! I pray for you every night. You are a wonderful inspiration to everyone. I'm so glad that Betty (Crymes) has your church family to lean on!

Love,

Norma & Jim (Williams)

The Meal Train is such an awesome way to show folks you care! Use these for the next family in need. (Donation of 10 pack of Rubbermaid food containers to the church.)

2020 Candlelight Service

National Day of Prayer for Mental Illness Recovery & Understanding Tuesday, October 6, 7:00 p.m., Rome Town Green

> Featured Speaker: Jennifer Ayers Moore Sister of Nathaniel Anthony Ayers (The Soloist) And Founder of The AYERS Foundation

Also featuring local leaders William S. Davies, Nanci Hicks, & Phillip Edge



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United Methodist Women News

Dear UMW,

Fall is officially here, and I am missing sipping hot apple cider while eating a delicious brunch with all the ladies of the church at our Saturday morning meetings. Even though we have not been able to meet formally, I wanted to update you on our local mission project of providing funds for the Ruth and Naomi House to use for purchasing groceries for breakfast. JoAnn sent them a check for \$335 for the months of August and September. I am so proud that we have been able to continue to support this most worthwhile cause.

They continue to have a "full house" and need all the assistance we can provide. If you would continue to send checks made out to the church and designated for the Ruth and Naomi House, JoAnn can send our contributions for October at the end of the month. Thank you for your generosity.

I hope that you are all continuing to do well in these unusual circumstances. Please continue to remember Nancy Davis, our treasurer, in your thoughts and prayers. As soon as it is safe for us to meet again, we will resume our meetings.

Please take good care! Cindy Smith, UMW President

North GA United Methodist Conference August 29, 2020

North GA conference is usually a 4-5-day experience in Athens GA. This year, because we are in the middle of a pandemic, conference was reduced to a one day, mostly business, event online. The personal fellowship was missing; however, the attention, discussion and voting on important issues of the conference still took place.

Two points of interest:

- 1. New 8-district structure. The districts follow county lines, and each contains a similar number of churches. Floyd County is now in District 5/North West. It is estimated that this realignment could save the conference roughly \$1 million a year.
- 2. Approval of closing 24 churches in North GA. When circumstances of keeping a church open is no longer sustainable, there are guidelines in place to direct the congregation and its leadership through the closing process. There is one closing in Rome.... Scott Chapel. You can find the complete list online.

Agenda items that were not voted on will be covered in the 2021 Conference. Also, Ordination and Commissioning can be postponed according to The Discipline. Details of the conference are available online at **ngumc.org**. Even the handbook for the conference agenda can be read or downloaded there. I appreciate your trust in me as your delegate once again for the North GA Annual Conference. If I can answer any questions, I'm happy for you to contact me at: aastin50@gmail.com.

Blessings to you all while we are absent one from another, Amy Astin Lay Leader, Second Ave. UMC OCTOBER 2020 PAGE 7

Drive-In Worship TIME CHANGE

Beginning on Sunday, October 11, the Drive-In Service will be at 10:00 a.m. each Sunday! We will continue to meet outside each Sunday until we move back into the sanctuary. Rain or shine.

Children's Fall Fun Gathering

We invite all children to a fun event on Saturday, Oct. 17th at 11am-4pm in the Fellowship Hall. Parents, you are welcome to drop off your children and have an afternoon off. Children will learn about God, do crafts and fun activities, and eat together! Masking is mandatory! Please RSVP by texting Rev. Millie at 404-759-4778.

Second Avenue UMC Think Tank Meetings on Zoom

This is a meeting where we share ideas on how to nurture one another, how to make our church grow, and how to reach out to the community. Everyone is welcome on 1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Zoom ID: 930 9761 0731

Password: 6406

Charge Conference

Our Charge Conference this year will be held via Zoom on Sunday, October 25, at 4:00 p.m. We will send out more information as it becomes available. Committee Chairpersons and others who need to submit reports prior to Charge Conference please see Millie or JoAnn as soon as possible.

Upcoming Zoom Book Study

Beginning Wednesday, October 21, at 6:00 p.m. Rev. Millie will lead a one-hour 4-week study on <u>The Art of Neighboring: Building Genuine Relationships Right Outside Your Door</u> by two pastors, Revs. Jay Pathak and Dave Runyon. Do you know your neighbors? Do you know your neighborhood? Would you like to have good neighbors? Most importantly, would you like to be a good neighbor? Let's learn and discuss the art of neighboring through this book study.

Meals & More Update

Dear Meals and More providers,

Let me share with you what I just shared with the management group of Meals and More so we are all on the same page: I have been wanting to write for weeks. I would never have imagined the virus would have stayed so long. Each time I see or speak with Horace, Bob, Wayne, Bruce, Greg and any from our wonderful host church, First United Methodist Church, we keep asking "When will it be safe?" No one knows. Most of our volunteers are as old as I am. That is a concern. We are concerned about those we serve. Many have health issues. All of us are anxious to serve.

Please share this with your team and church and ask them to remember this ministry in prayer. Many of you already have. If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to call me at 706 346 3325. Also, know you and your people are in my prayers.

Love, prayers and blessings, Bill Davies

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October Birthdays

10/01	Kathy Urquhart
10/04	Matthew Chapman
10/10	John Henderson
10/11	Margaret Gibson
10/14	Millie Kim
10/16	Gerrie Burton
10/18	Margie Tapp
10/19	Betty Albers
10/22	Wayne Fears, Jr.
10/24	Nancy Clift
10/24	Len Woodward
10/29	Allyson Shannon
10/31	Carolyn Garwood
10/31	Beth Gibbons
October Anniversaries	
10/01	Jane & Phil Franssen

Cliff & Michelle Gibson Beverly & Len Woodward We're on the Web: 2aveumc.org

Our Vision: 'Knowing Christ & Making Christ Known"

Audio Worship Available 24/7! Call 706-786-6406 any time.

With Deepest Sympathy



10/16

10/19

James Curtis Gibbons, Jr.
November 1, 1954 – September 8, 2020 (Age 65)

It is with deepest sympathy that we share with you that our friend and brother in Christ, Jim Gibbons, passed away on Tuesday, September 8. Please be in prayer for his wife, Beth, son, Matthew, daughter, Kathryn, and the family.

To 'be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord' but we will miss him here in our midst.