

Second Helpings

OCTOBER 2025

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Happy Fall Y'all!

As the leaves change and we enter the crisp days of October, we are reminded of the beautiful harvest season. This is a time to pause and give thanks for the blessings God has poured into our lives, both big and small.

Just as a farmer gathers the crops after a long season of growth, so too are we invited to reflect on the fruits of our faith. Look around at our church community and you'll see a wonderful harvest: new connections being formed, disciples growing in their walk with Christ, and selfless service making a real impact in our community. This is all a testament to God's faithfulness and your generous spirit.

Let's use this month to cultivate an attitude of gratitude. Be intentional about counting your blessings and giving thanks.

With a grateful heart,
Pastor Stephanie

“Cultivate the habit of being grateful for every good thing that comes to you,
and to give thanks continuously.
And because all things have contributed to your advancement,
you should include all things in your gratitude.”
– Ralph Waldo Emerson



October Sermon Scriptures

October 05 2 Timothy 1:6-14; Luke 17:5-10 | “No More Than We Are Called To Do” | Communion

October 12 2 Timothy 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19 | “Our Faith Can Save Us”

October 19 Laity Sunday | Amy Astin, preaching

October 26 Joel 2:23-32; Luke 18:9-14 | “It’s Hard to Be Humble”

Highlights from September in Pictures



During August, we collected 81 backpacks, a lunch box, plus some socks and underwear. We had such a generous response for Anna K Davie Elementary School that they asked us to take some of the backpacks to Main Elementary.

We donated 30 of the backpacks to Main and the remainder of the items were donated to Anna K Davie.



The collection for PAWS brought in 44 bags and boxes of treats, 144.5 lbs. of dog food, 39 lbs. plus 89 cans of cat food, and 16 packaged and 84 unpackaged toys for cats and dogs! Well done, Second Ave!



Dear 2nd Ave United Methodist,

Thank you so much for the school supplies (backpacks). Y'all are always so thoughtful to think of us!

Sincerely,

Anna K. Davie Elementary School



Second Avenue hosted a baby shower for Michael and Josi Gibson (pictured with son Sawyer) in anticipation of the arrival of their son this month.

Persons of the Week

October 05: Paula Jones

310 Old Calhoun Road NE
Rome, GA 30161-9691

October 19: Terry & Sue Duck

7 Mt. Creek Drive SE
Rome, GA 30161-7917

October 12: Susan Kennedy

1220 Briarwood Drive SE
Atlanta, GA 30306-2510

October 26: Tom McElroy

10 Gray Rock Drive NW
Rome, GA 30165

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

October Schedule

Liturgists:	Acolytes:	Flowers:
10/05 Mike Colombo	10/05 Kevin Baleon-Ruiz	10/05 Duck
10/12 Greg Gaston	10/12	10/12
10/19 Laity Sunday	10/19	10/19 Woodward
10/26 Dennis Urquhart	10/26 Theo Kislat	10/26

Prayer List

Congregation

Genny Alexander
Donna Bledsoe
Lee Brock & Family
Paula Brown
Terry & Nancy Clift
Barbara & Terry
Cothran
Nancy Davis
Erna Dobbs
Sue & Terry Duck
Randy & Vicki Embree
Rev. Stephanie
Hannah & Family
Betty Hardy
Patty Jones
Paula Jones
John & Beth Kennedy
Susan Kennedy
Ralph & Merinda
Magnicheri
Irene Martz
Bill & Cindy Pharr
Lib Rogers
Orlando Shaw
Jerry Waters

Friends & Family

Dusty Alexander
Nancy Allison
Madelyn Amerson
Dana Andrews
Barry Barfield
Anne Barker
Jerry Branton
Brooke Brown
Jimmy Brown
Gwen Bullock
Chris Butler
Wayne Casey
Kathy Cason
Lisa Crowder
Wendell Crowder
Ruth Day
Family of Ben Delp
Patrick Demirjian
Stephanie Dunn
Jimmy & Denise
Carol Gunter
Molly Horton
Hytowitz family
Jessie (foster child)
Kathy Jarvinan

Gloria Johnson
Garrette Jones
Matthew King
Faye Laney
Josh Laney
Ivy Law
Chad Lester
Angela Mackler
Martha Martin
Taylor Martin
Haley & Will McDonald
Tom & Cheri McElroy
Leisa McEntyre
Blakely Messer
Pam Mills
Raymond Millwood
Terri Minor
Lucie Mitchell
Posey Mitchell
Ali Morales
Lynette Murphy
Camil Nedela
Holli Nix
Jeremy Peace
Harry Petersmarck
Kate Pettus

Beth Pitt
Aimee Rank
Roger Ramey
Margaret Rodela
Mallory Saville
Peaches Shaw
Karen Stanley
Shirley Stanton
David Stevens
Susan Tate
Nadia Vagnerova
Esperanza Vail
Pavel Wagner
Lori Watters
Ray Waters
Alice Wiener
Mitzi Wilburn
Kennedy Williams
Morgan Wilson
Jalen Wofford
Laura Beth Wright
Tommy Yarborough



United Women in Faith



October is here and it is time to start thinking about those fall and winter veggies as tomato vines are pulled up and other summer crops are plowed under. It's time for sweet potato and pumpkin pies and mashed potatoes with gravy as well as scalloped potatoes...the list goes on and on.



In keeping with a fall theme, do you know what kind of "tater" you are? Or what kind of "tater" has God called you to be? How about what kind of "tater" Jesus was? Who are some of the famous "taters" in the Bible? We will explore all these different kinds of "taters" and then do a hands-on "tater" craft that anyone can do using "taters" at our October meeting! Just think about going back to your childhood when you used stamps of different kinds to make pictures on paper.

You will have a choice of making some fun Halloween, Thanksgiving and/or Christmas cards all using "taters"! Bring a small paring knife and be prepared to have fun! (\$5 donations for the materials will be appreciated).

Come join us at our next United Women in Faith meeting on **Saturday, October 11, 2025**. We start with **brunch at 10:00 a.m. (cost is \$5.00 per person)** and will be finished by 11:30 a.m. so you can get on with your Saturday activities. The menu will include some favorites including pumpkin spice, cranberry baked oatmeal, a sausage egg "tater" casserole, fruit, juice, and coffee. **Please make a reservation with Cindy Smith (call or text 706-346-0786 or email butlerjrt@gmail.com).**



I hope to see you on the 11th! Bring a guest!
Cindy K. Smith

October Mission Project: Salvation Army

During the month of **October**, we want to help The Salvation Army as they prepare for the holidays ahead. Please help as you are able. Collection Bins are up in Fellowship Hall.

Canned Meat	Oatmeal	Grits	Macaroni & Cheese
Packaged Potatoes	Hamburger Helper	Peanut Butter	

Vital Signs



Budgeted amount needed as of September: \$185,079

Budgeted amount given as of September: \$152,725

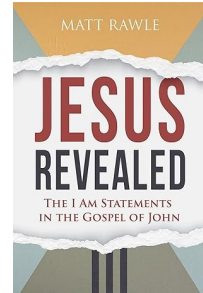
Financial giving in month of September (Budget and Designated): \$20,628

Fall Bible Study Begins October 1

Jesus Revealed: The I Am Statements in the Gospel of John by Matt Rawle

Please plan to participate in this six-week Bible Study on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. in the church fellowship hall, led by Pastor Stephanie.

October 01	I Am the Bread of Life (John 6:48)
October 08	I Am the Light of the World (John 8:12)
October 15	I Am the Good Shepherd (John 10:11)
October 22	I Am the Resurrection and the Life (John 11:25)
October 29	I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life (John 14:6)
November 05	I Am the True Vine (John 15:1)



World Communion Sunday on October 5



The first Sunday in October is designated as World Communion Sunday, which celebrates our oneness in Christ with all our brothers and sisters around the world.

**“So powerful is the light of unity
that it can illuminate the whole earth.”**

Charge Conference Postponed

This year's annual meeting with the District Superintendent, the Rev. Carolyn Stephens, has been postponed from October 13. The new date will be publicized when available. Charge Conference is open to everyone who would like to attend.

Wednesday Night Supper and Game Night on October 15



Mark your calendar and plan to join us on Wednesday, October 15, at 6:00 p.m. for a chili supper and game night. Plan to come and bring a friend. Watch upcoming bulletins for more details.

Keenagers Lunch on October 23

Join the Keenagers for a potluck lunch at noon on Thursday, October 23. Bring a dish to share, and invite a friend for food, fellowship, and fun. Watch upcoming bulletins for details on the program. For more info, contact Shirley Dodson at 706-233-1649.

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Our Vision:
"Knowing Christ & Making Christ Known"

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October Birthdays

10/01 Kathy Urquhart
10/10 John Henderson
10/11 Margaret Gibson
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 Beth Gibbons

October Anniversaries

10/16 Cliff & Michelle Gibson
10/19 Beverly & Len Woodward



Birthdays & Anniversaries:

If we haven't included your birthday
or anniversary, please contact
JoAnn in the church office
(706.234.6406).

October 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Kathy Urquhart 1:00pm Bible Study 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Practice	2 6:00pm Handbell Choir	3	4
5 World Communion Sunday 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship	6	7 10:00am Helping Hands	8 1:00pm Bible Study 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Practice	9 6:00pm Handbell Choir	10 John Henderson	11 Margaret Gibson 11:00am United Women in Faith
12 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship	13	14 10:00am Helping Hands	15 1:00pm Bible Study 6:00pm Wednesday Night Supper & Game Night 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Practice	16 Cliff & Michelle Gibson Gerrie Burton 6:00pm Handbell Choir	17	18 Margie Tapp
19 Betty Albers Len & Beverly Woodward 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship	20	21 10:00am Helping Hands	22 Wayne Fears, Jr. 1:00pm Bible Study 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Practice	23 6:00pm Handbell Choir	24 Len Woodward Nancy Clift	25
26 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship 12:00pm Leadership Board Meeting	27	28 10:00am Helping Hands	29 Allyson Shannon 1:00pm Bible Study 7:00pm Sanctuary Choir Practice	30 6:00pm Handbell Choir	31 Beth Gibbons	