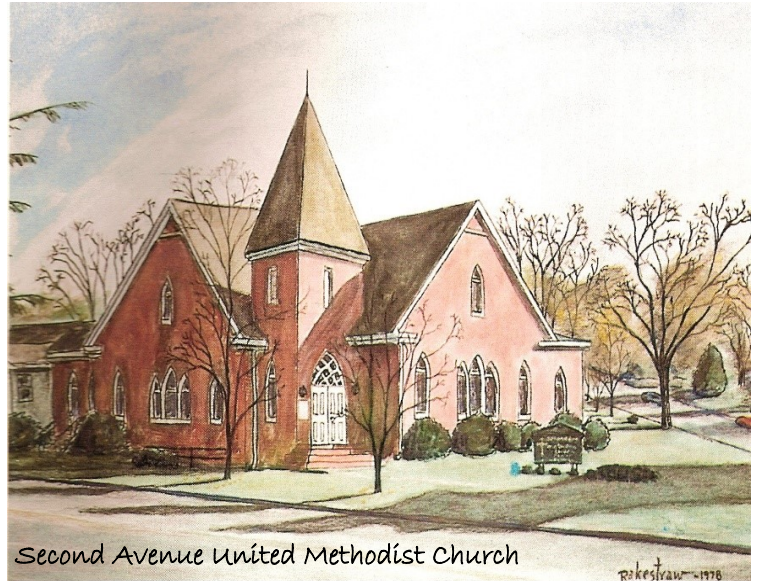


Second Helpings

Second Avenue United Methodist Church ~ September 2019

Special Events in September

- 02 - Labor Day/Church Office Closed
- 03 - Helping Hands resumes
- 03 - Meals & More at Rome First UMC
- 04 - "Becoming a Praying Congregation" Study begins
- 04 - Children's Choir resumes
- 09 - Men's Club Resumes
- 11 - Healing Service
- 15 - United Methodist Children's Home Offering
- 17 - United Methodist Women Resumes
- 23 - Winthrop Senior Living Community
- 26 - Keenagers Resumes
- 29 - Fifth Sunday Covered Dish & Admin. Council



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'

St. Peter's Celebrating 175 Years in Rome Sunday, September 15

The Parishioners of St. Peter's Episcopal Church (101 E. 4th Ave, Rome) invite you to a Hymn Fest with choirs from St. Peter's Episcopal, First Baptist, and First United Methodist Churches as well as an Open House.

3:00-4:00 p.m. Music in the church
4:00-4:30 p.m. Historical commentary of St. Peter's church & grounds
Light refreshments served following the Hymn Fest.

One Table 2019

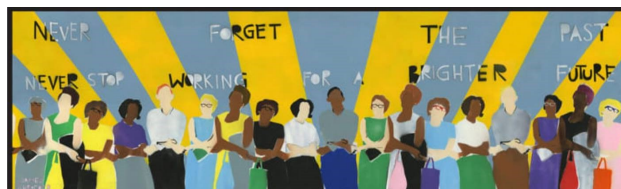
Sunday, September 15 ~ 6:00 p.m.

One Community United presents "One Table 2019" and invites you to join them in beautiful Downtown Rome on September 15th as they sit together at one table to promote the Rome community.

Locally grown and produced dinner will be brought to the table to honor our local farms and chefs while we get to know our neighbors.

Proceeds, after expenses, will go to One Community United to continue to be a source of information and outreach to our communities through community events, dialogue and communications leading to improved relationships between communities and educational programs within communities.

Tickets are \$75 for 1 and \$125 for 2.
Please see Rev. Millie for more information.



A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR



There have been many quitting moments in our lives, if we are honest enough to admit it. There were times that we did quit, and one day we will need to face our Maker and explain why we did. Of course, I am saying this assuming things that we should not have quit. If you have quit drinking, quit womanizing, quit accumulating stuff, quit your foolish ways, GOOD FOR YOU! I am proud of you!

I am forever grateful to God that my husband quit drinking. I remember when we first got married, he used to drink a gallon of milk a day, sometimes two. I was not very happy because I was the one doing the grocery shopping back then and it got to be really cumbersome because that was a lot of milk. So one day I made my feelings known, and he totally surprised me with his response. He said, "That is how much vodka I used to drink everyday!" That gave me a new perspective. I was sure glad that he was drinking milk instead of vodka. Without a doubt, there are things in our lives that we must quit. But there are things in our lives we must keep on; we must persevere. We must trust the goodness, mercy, and grace of God and never quit believing in God. Mind you, our faith is like waves in the ocean; it rises and falls on the shores of our lives. But we must never quit; we must persevere.

In countless ways, many people here at Second Avenue have shown me perseverance. You all help me persevere on days that I want to quit. We have many in our congregation who have lost their children through tragic illnesses, accidents, etc. We have many in our congregation who have lost their spouses through tragic illnesses, accidents, etc. We have many in our congregation who have lost their parents, siblings, close friends through tragic illnesses, accidents, etc. Many among us have tasted the bitterness of life and read Job over and over to find meaning and clarity. In the midst of your struggles, you did not quit. What I am grateful for is that in this moment in time, we, however, are together as a body of Christ. It really gives me a new perspective in life.

We are all heartbroken over Jim Gibbons' diagnosis; but we will not quit believing in God's goodness, mercy, and grace. And as we have always done, we will lean in and let Beth lean on us. There will be times that it will be so difficult for her to believe in God's goodness, mercy, and grace. In those times, we will believe on behalf of her and support her arms just like Aaron and Hur did for Moses in Exodus 17. On September 11, we will have a healing service for Jim. It is for all of us but we will especially lift him up. I hope you all come!

Someone said to me a long time ago that faith is like a lighthouse. Every summer we go to Saint Simons Island and we climb up the same 129 steps to remind us of the fact that faith is like a lighthouse. It is not very exciting. There is no air conditioning in the lighthouse. There is not much to see or enjoy. At the end, we have sore legs. To tell you the truth, we have this temptation to have faith that is like grand and spectacular fireworks that gives us wonder, joy, pleasure, and excitement. But faith is like a lighthouse that shines light EVERY night, shining its light in darkness so that we may see the goodness, mercy, and grace of God. We are the lighthouse and we will persevere!

Your Pastor,

Millie

SEPTEMBER SERMON SCRIPTURE

- September 01** "Of Hospitality" | Hebrews 13:1-8 | Luke 14:1, 7-14 | Communion Sunday
 - September 08** "God's Vessel" | Jeremiah 18:1-8 | Luke 14:25-33
 - September 15** "Stiff-Necked People" | Exodus 32:7-14 | Luke 15:1-10
 - September 22** "Lemonade Out of Lemon" | Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 | Luke 16:1-13
 - September 29** Rev. Devon Smith, Preacher | Special Offering for Ruth & Naomi House
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**Axel Baleon—Freshman
Young Harris College**



**Second Avenue UMC folks enjoying
Rome Celebrity Dance Challenge**



Betty Crymes' 90th Birthday Party



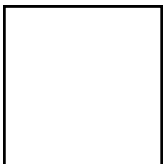
September Birthdays

01 Anne Westfield
02 Genny Alexander
06 Isaac Tucker
07 Paula Jones
08 Susan Daniel
12 Ronnie Farmer,
Jane Franssen &
Tommy Jones
13 Cindy Davis
14 Jayme Gauthreaux
18 Beverly Woodward
19 Barbara Cothran
19 Leigh Kim-Soh
20 Anna Brooks
24 Doug Garwood, Jr.
28 Annisa Heinrich

September Anniversaries

04 Herb & Paula Brown
16 Bill & Julie Mathis
17 Ernie & Judy Myers
29 Bill & Juanita Underwood

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!



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Second Helpings

Making Christ Known...

United Methodist Children's Home Offering
"Amazing Grace Campaign"
Sunday, September 15

Our gifts to this annual offering support the ministry of The United Methodist Children's Home in Decatur, GA. This North Georgia Conference offering provides a significant portion of the operating income of the Children's Home. It allows the Children's Home to serve children and families all over North Georgia, bringing healing and redemptive services in the name of Jesus Christ. Their Foster Care and Independent Living programs are rated the best in the state of Georgia!

You can learn more about the Children's Home by visiting www.umchildrenshome.org. Please give as you are able to support this ministry bringing God's love to these vulnerable and hurting children.



Average Worship Attendance in August: 84
Financial giving in August: \$16,917
Budgeted amount needed as of August: \$148,865
Budgeted amount given as of August: \$136,899

Wednesday Night Family Fellowship

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dinner Served 6:00 p.m.; Program 6:30• Reservation Required on Pew Pad or Call Office | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$8 per person/\$16 family maximum• First-time visitors & children 10 and under eat free |
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Program

09/11 Healing Service

Menu

09/11 Chick fil A & Salad

Blessings and Gratitude

I want to thank all my friends for their best wishes during my foot surgery. Recovery is fine and, if you notice, there is a silver lining in every dark cloud. In my case, my foot doctor tells me I can now model men's sandals because my toes are now "HOLLYWOOD TOES"!!

Bob Dodson

Dear Church,
Thanks so much for bringing school supplies and paper goods to the Center. As you know, purchasing school supplies can be expensive—especially for families who struggle to make ends meet. We'll share these with families involved with our Exchange Parent Aide program.

Thank you ,
The Exchange Club Family Resource Center

SECOND HELPINGS

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

Worship...

Administrative Council Meeting:
Sunday, September 29 ~ after lunch

The Administrative Council will meet on Sunday, September 29, after Fifth Sunday Lunch. All Council members are encouraged to attend.

Healing Service:

Wednesday, September 11 ~ 6:00 p.m.

Make plans to join us on September 11 for Wednesday Night Family Fellowship as we eat supper and Rev. Millie leads us in a service of healing.

Invite...

Upper Room Devotionals:

New Upper Room devotionals are now available. Please take one for yourself, family, and friends.

Nurture...

Church Pictorial Directory:

New members and anyone who wants a fresh picture, please see Ronnie Farmer to have your photo taken as we update our church directory. Also, please give JoAnn any changes in address or phone numbers.

Helping Hands:

Tuesdays ~ 10:00, resuming September 3

Join us to crochet and knit afghans, baby caps, and lap blankets to donate to local ministries, including Floyd Hospital. If you don't know how to crochet or knit, come and we'll teach you!

Keenagers:

Fourth Thursdays ~ resumes September 25, noon

For adults enjoying the "keen" age of life in retirement! The September meeting will be a covered dish meal at noon. Program details coming soon.

Fifth Sunday Covered Dish Lunch:

September 29 ~ after worship

Please keep the fellowship going after worship on this 5th Sunday of the month. We'll share a covered dish lunch and conversation around the table.

Grow...

"Rehearsing Scripture" Bible Study:

Wednesdays ~ 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

In this Bible Study we will use concrete, practical tools for reading and rehearsing Scripture. Suitable for new and seasoned Bible readers alike. You may buy the book Rehearsing Scripture by Anna Carter Florence, but it is not necessary. Bring your Bible and bring a friend.

"Becoming a Praying Congregation" Study:

Wednesday evenings ~ 5:45-7:00 p.m.

Beginning on Wednesday, September 4, join Rev. Millie for a study entitled "Becoming a Praying Congregation" by Rueben P. Job. We will eat a simple meal together as we learn how to make prayer a way of living. Cost of meal \$5. See Rev. Millie for details.

A Night in Bethlehem:

Saturday, December 7 ~ 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Please mark your calendar now for this learning adventure for children. Volunteers are needed and monetary donations are welcome!

Children's Activities:

Children's Choir and Children's Program will resume after Labor Day.

Serve...

Meals & More:

Tuesday, September 3 ~ 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). You can help by volunteering your time or by contributing individually wrapped cookies or snack cakes or single serve sized potato chips for the meals. We also collect travel-sized toiletries to distribute.

Winthrop Senior Living Community

Monday, September 23 ~ 1:00 p.m.

We need volunteers to sing, share stories, and just be present every fourth Monday of the month to show the love of Jesus to the senior residents. Please let Rev. Millie know if you are interested.

SECOND HELPINGS

Acolytes:

09/01 Chloe Duck
09/08 Noah Tucker
09/15 Reese Gibson
09/22 Macy Davis
09/29 Leigh Kim-Soh

Liturgists:

09/01 Doug Meredith
09/08 Thomas Kislak
09/15 Steve Davis
09/22 Mike Colombo
09/29 Amy Astin

Ushers:

Phil Taylor (head usher)
Mike Colombo, Ralph Davis,
Greg Gaston, Tommy Jones,
Thomas Kislak

Nursery:

09/01 Laura Bledsoe
09/08 Buffy Davis
09/15 Patty Baker
09/22 Betty Albers
09/29 Nancy Clift

Congregational Care & Concern:

09/01 Nina Wheeler
09/08 Nancy Clift
09/15 Shirley Dodson
09/22 Sally Farmer
09/29 Shannon Kislak

Counters:

09/01 Mike Colombo & Cindy Smith
09/08 Mary Beth B. & Greg Gaston
09/15 Barbara Cothran & Dan Emerick
09/22 Amy Astin & Dottie Taylor
09/29 Barbara Cothran & Dan Emerick

Flowers:

09/01
09/08 Boggs
09/15 Myers
09/22 Kim-Soh
09/29 Franssen

Combined Services This Fall

- Sunday, October 6, 11:00 a.m.
World Communion Sunday at Rome First UMC with Metropolitan UMC. Will feature a combined choir and children's choir with Bishop Sue Hauptert-Johnson preaching.
- Sunday, November 24, 5:00 p.m.
Potluck Dinner at Second Avenue Baptist followed by Thanksgiving Service at 6:00 p.m. Service will include combined choir, children's choir, and handbell choir with Rev. Monty and Rev. Millie preaching together.

Please mark your calendars now for both of these exciting worship opportunities with our fellow Christian congregations.

Love Offering

The Gibbons Family is going through a stressful season with Jim's surgery and the weeks of treatment to come, necessitating time off from work and expenses related to surgery and hospital stay.

Beth and Jim both bless our fellowship and give so much of their time and talents to support our church's ministry. We continue to uphold them with our prayer, and already see God working in their lives and in the life of our congregation as we support one another in Christian love.

In addition to our prayer, we will be collecting a love offering. If you would like to contribute, please submit your check made out to Second Avenue UMC and marked "Love Offering." If you'd like to donate from your HSA, please see Rev. Millie.



Men's and Women's Fellowship

The **Men's Club** will meet on Monday, September 9, at 6:00 p.m. at Provino's. All men of the church are invited to join us for supper, fellowship, and prayer. Contact Terry Clift at 706-506-4205 or terryclift@me.com for details.

The **United Methodist Women** will resume its regular meetings on Tuesday, September 17, at 6:00 p.m. We invite all ladies to come join us. We will enjoy a good meal, great fellowship, and an interesting program as we continue our work with supporting missions locally and globally. Hope to see you all there. If you are not on a calling list and wish to attend, you can call Betty Crymes at 706-290-1892.

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 or text 404.759.4778
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Prayer List

Congregation

Susan Autry
Carl Alexander
Donna Bledsoe
Lynda Boggs
Herb Brown
Gerrie Burton
Bill Carver
Danny Carver
Giles Chapman
Erin Ables Clark
Beth Colombo
Ronnie Farmer
Phil & Jane Franssen
Carolyn Garwood
Jim Gibbons
David Gresham
Charles Griffin
Betty Hardy
Faye Kesler
Mardelle Lynch
Lib Rogers
Edith Swint
Vicki Thomason
Vivian VanLandingham
Carol Vogt

Friends & Family

Grace Adams
Katherine Ammons
Okanee Atkinson
Terri Black
Linda Brown
MaeDell Clark
Gary Cothran
Beverly Cox
Trey Daniel
Glenn Ethridge
Chris Franssen
Shelia Fuller
Dana Gallagher
Daria Giebler
Jamie Griffin
Patty Harvey
Khloe Hill
John Hunsucker
JoAnn Jacks
Larry Jacks
Janie Jolley
Garrett Jones
Milton Kahn
Bill & Peggy Lanier
Dusty Lewis

Dean Mallow
Cade Maynor
Lisa McDaniel
James McGinnis
Military Personnel
Gary Miller
Sherry Nolan
Diane Norrod
Julian Nix
Julie Ousley
Andy Peabody
Peggy Pharr
Glenda Phillips
Becky Ramey
Connie Ray
Deborah Reynolds
Daphne Rogers
Nancy Sims
Zinari Smith
Jennifer Slaton
Danny Slaughter
Ryan Stubblefield
Elise Sullens
Maeghan Thomason
Stanley Thompson
Alex Trebek

President Trump
Tyson Waid
Rick Walker
Angel Warren and Father
Jim Williams and Family
Kennedy Williams
Marilyn Yount

Persons of the Week

September 01: Beth Colombo

307 Robin Hood Road, NE
Rome, GA 30161-5870

September 08: Herb Brown

68 Fred Kelly Road
Rome, GA 30161-9131

September 15: Warren Lathem

4467 Old Dalton Road NE
Rome, GA 30165

September 22: Carl & Genny Alexander

P. O. Box 172
Armuchee, GA 30105-0172

September 29: Carol Vogt

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

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

September 2019

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1 Anne Westfield 10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship	2 Genny Alexander 8:00am Labor Day--Church Office Closed	3 9:30am Helping Hands resumes 3:30pm Meals & More	4 Herb & Paula Brown 10:30am 'Rehearsing Scripture' Bible Study 5:45pm "Praying Congregation" Bible Study & Simple Meal 6:30pm Children's Choir	5 5:00pm Line Dancing	6 Isaac Tucker	7 Paula Jones
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