

# First Light

A weekly e-newsletter from  
First United Methodist

August 30, 2024

## URGENT PLEA FROM UNITED CHURCHES OF LYCOMING COUNTY

The United Churches of Lycoming County organization recently put out a plea for urgent needs at both their Food Pantry and Shepherd of the Streets Ministry. They are asking the churches of Lycoming County to help restock their shelves. A full list of needed items can be found on the Connection Tables. You can place donations in the marked containers in the Welcome Center and outside the Living Water Café through the month of September.



September 1, 2024

Sermon: *"The Patient Shepherd"*

Scriptures: Isaiah 53:6  
Matthew 18:10-14  
1 Timothy 1:12-17

## Reminders:

**-Chancel & Bell Choirs: Note Changes**  
Rehearsals for the Chancel Choir will begin for the new season on September 5th at 7:30 in Room 203. **Rehearsals for the Bell Choir will begin on September 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary.**

## -GriefShare

The next 13-week session of GriefShare will begin on September 10th. The group will meet on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 in the lounge. Contact Holly Pote or Ginny Boob with questions.

## -Terri Lynn Nut Sale

The Mission and Outreach Team is selling nuts again this year. Order forms can be found on the Connection Tables. Orders are due by October 1st and can be turned in to the office or placed in the offering plates or baskets. No extra nuts will be ordered this year. Contact Candy Winters with any questions.

## -2025 Nominations

Contact Pastor Rick if you are interested in serving on a committee in 2025 or if you currently serve but no longer wish to. You can also contact him if you wish to serve but you aren't quite sure where you would best fit.



*We are a welcoming family of Christ followers, living lives of generosity,  
as we seek to be a blessing to others.*

Traditional Worship: 8:15 & 10:45 Contemporary Worship 9:30 JAM Children's Church 9:30

# Let's Celebrate!

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 9/1 Tierney Pauling
- 9/3 Gail Wood
- 9/4 Kyra Creasey, Keeley Fae Dincher
- 9/5 Sue Gehrum, Glenn Klucka
- 9/7 Emilie Kainz
- 9/8 Emma McCormick, Darl Smith
- 9/9 Cori Cotner
- 9/12 Marie Mitchell – 94<sup>th</sup>  
Loretta Ryder – 91<sup>st</sup>
- 9/13 Sadie Creasey, Stephanie Mostowy
- 9/14 Amanda Derr, Christopher Timer
- 9/15 Courtney Taylor
- 9/16 Bill Forse
- 9/17 Lou Cromley, Bob DeWitt – 90<sup>th</sup>,  
Adalynn Morse, Michael Mostowy
- 9/18 Marshal Gordner
- 9/20 Alyson McCabe
- 9/21 Aline Miller
- 9/22 Deb Beyer
- 9/24 Floss McCarty
- 9/26 Sandy Ravert
- 9/28 Pam Armstrong
- 9/29 Kaylyn Nierzwicki, Margie Nuss,  
Gail Pentz
- 9/30 Darren Webb

## SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 9/1 Deb and Mark Beyer
- 9/5 Dannon and Jim Dennis
- 9/4 Mary and Jeremy Eckard
- 9/6 Joanie and David Wallis
- 9/13 Cindy and George Collister
- 9/21 Linsey and Ben Sauers
- 9/22 Nichole and Matt Frye



Celebrating the births of:

Liam Stratton, son of Ali Swank  
Stratton & Jamie Stratton, grandson  
of Stacie & Harry Swank and great  
grandson of Deb Kless

&

Saidey LouEtta Jean Lucas, daughter  
of Matthew & Alexandria Lucas and  
granddaughter of John & Jane Lucas.



*Congratulations to newlyweds,  
Michelle and Justin Bower who  
were married on August 17th.*

