

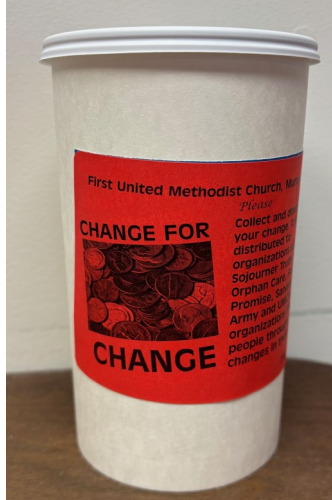
First Light

A weekly e-newsletter from
First United Methodist

January 17, 2025

Change for Change Collection

For those of you who have been saving up your coins in the Change for Change cups, we will be collecting those during worship on Sunday, February 2nd. Bring your cups to the sanctuary and place them on the altar rail or bring them to the Living Water Café and place them on the coffee bar. We will bless those funds for the good they will accomplish as they go out into the world to bless others. You can pick up a new cup that day and begin collecting for the 2026 collection. Some of the funds collected in 2024 were sent to UMCOR for North Carolina hurricane relief and the rest will be used in partnership with local schools for needs that arise with students from low income families.



After many years of managing our Coffee Fellowship time in the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings, Candy Winters is retiring from that ministry. We thank Candy for all of her coordination and work to make

sure we had coffee and treats as we visited with our friends and family over the years. What a time of blessing and connection it is for those who participate.

Going forward, Sharon Moyer and Jo Langer will be taking the reigns of the Coffee Fellowship ministry but, just like Candy, they will be asking for lots of helpers to lighten the load. If you would like to help and don't receive a call, let Sharon or Jo know you are interested and they will find a place to plug you in.

Reminders:

-2025 Altar Flowers

The 2025 Altar Flower Sponsor sign-up sheet is now in the Welcome Center. The suggested donation for sponsoring a week is \$35.00.

-Vineyard Youth Activity Night Volunteers

The Vineyard Community Activity Center is looking for volunteers to help staff their Friday Activity Nights during January—April. Their Friday night program runs from 6:00–9:00 pm. Contact Cindy Collister if you can help or if you have questions; 570-220-4568.

-Someone to Tell It To

A new 5-week class will begin on January 26th and will meet in the lounge at 9:30 am. The class will be led by Deb Steransky and will guide you in ways to listen and really hear what's on a person's heart. Everyone's story deserves to be heard. This class will show you ways that you can be like Jesus and listen to others with love when they want to talk. Sign up at the Connection Tables.

Good 'N Plenty Meal

Wednesday, February 5th

4:00-5:30 Curb Side Take Out

5:00-6:30 Dine In



Roast turkey, gravy, stuffing,
mashed potatoes, vegetable,
cranberry sauce
& dessert

\$12/meal (suggested donation)
No child sizes

No Call Ahead Orders Please



January 19, 2025

Sermon: "Six Stone Jars"
"Fill My House with Hoping"

Romans 15:13
2 Corinthians 9:6b-9
John 2:1-11