



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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September 22, 2020 – Church Office Hours M-F 9am – 12:30pm

*“..Note to self, oh my soul:
As you do the best you can,
learn not to get upset
when things don't go according to plan.*

*Relax in God's goodness.
His ways are sublime.
He is never in a hurry
but is always on time.”*
-A.T Alabi

“...the seed on good soil stands
for those with a noble and good
heart, who hear the word, retain
it, and by persevering
produce a crop.”

~Luke 8:15

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Here's your weekly update...

1. All those who are on an usher team for the re-opening should have received your assignments last week through email. If you did not, please contact me as soon as possible ☺ **EVEN IF YOU ARE ON AN USHER TEAM, PLEASE CALL TO MAKE A RESERVATION FOR WORSHIP EVERY WEEK!**

****For the whole First Church family:** Please read the reopening policy ([click here](#)) so you are familiar with the nature of our worship services as we return.

****Please watch the attached [instructional video](#) so you know what to do when you come to worship!**

2. In order to attend worship on Sunday, **PLEASE MAKE A RESERVATION** by calling the church office (number listed above) and reserving your number of seats, the names of the people attending, and the time (*9am or 10:30*) you will be worshipping. We are limited to **80 in the Sanctuary** and **100 in the Family Life Center**. Reservation FOR 9/27 started Monday and goes through Thursday at 1pm. Going forward, please make a reservation the Monday through Thursday before the Sunday you wish to attend. Thank you!

3. We have a ministry collecting new **HATS, MITTENS and GLOVES**. Contact Kathy Newsome for details (732)341-6643. **Also, OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** boxes will be available in the church building on Sundays beginning on 9/27. They will also be available in the church office throughout the week.

4. We are starting our **FOOD DRIVE** again! If you attend worship, please bring your non-perishable food items and place them in the outside bin on the **SECOND Sunday of the month**. If you are not attending worship, bring your items the week before that Sunday (Monday through Friday) and place them in the breezeway outside the church office. Thank you for helping with this outreach!!

September Birthdays this Week:

Viv Johnson (25)
Liz Mitchell (26)
Nancy Kaulback (26)
Rich Batchelder (26)
Linda Snuffin (29)
Leslie Wheeler (29)

September Anniversaries:

Tony/Lorraine Abate (28)
Pat/Edward Zakar (29)

Peace,

Pastor Ed (cell: 609-617-5182)

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