



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Update #62

May 26, 2021 – Church Office Hours M-F 9am – 12:30pm

Interested in *Ushering* at one of our two services? We can always use your help!
Contact Pastor Ed at ed@fumctr.com

“Love the Lord your God
with all your heart and with all your
soul and with all your mind and with all
your strength...”
~Mark 12: 29-31

Shoprite Cards available after
9am and before 10:30am worship
on 2nd & 4th Sundays
(next one is June 13th)

1. I'm looking forward to worshipping with you this Sunday (June 6th) at 9:00am and 10:30am! Just a reminder that the state of New Jersey **has lifted the Covid guidelines** and so, there is no longer a need to wear a mask or socially distance (for vaccinated persons) when at First Church. However, you are welcome to wear a mask and keep a comfortable distance while worshipping for as long as you like ☺

*We will also stream both services at <http://www.fumctr.com/onlineworship>

2. Two weeks ago, a local Toms River family tragically lost their home in a fire. They will need a place to rent for several months while their house is being rebuilt. **If you know of an available rental property**, please contact the church office at the number/email above.

3. Our **Adopt-a-Spot Gardening Program** continues growing! Many thanks to all of you who are participating in this labor of love. **We could still use more wonderful volunteers**. Contact Kim (kgeneral83@gmail.com) to claim your spot!

4. Our College Group meets on Fridays at 6pm and our Youth Ministry meets at 6pm on Sundays (both in Thompson Hall). Questions for Pastor Wes? His email address is [here](#)

5. The **Amazon Smile Program** is up and running. If you make First United Methodist Church of Toms River your charity, our church receives a percentage of the eligible purchases you make. Questions? See the announcement flyer available on Sunday mornings (also available at our [website](#)) ☺

6. **Pastor Wes' Online Devotional** is **EVERY THURSDAY** at 10am on Facebook. Log on at www.facebook.com/fumctr. You can also see it at our [website](#)

7. Over the years, our usual seasonal pattern shows a slowdown in giving as the summer approaches. Your church is experiencing this slowdown right now. Please accept this encouragement to stay as regular as possible in your giving throughout these months. First Church continues to do effective ministry as we emerge from the pandemic. The giving information is below. You are making a difference and I am very grateful for each of you!

June Birthdays

Toni Carney (10)

Diana Forte (11)

Traci Maloney (14)

June Anniversaries

Kristin & Glenn Newman (10)

Tom & Kathy Newsome (15)

Electronic Giving Address:

www.fumctr.com/donate

To Mail Your Offering (thank you for the gift of a stamp!)

ATTN: Financial Secretary, First UMC

129 Chestnut Street, Toms River, NJ 08753

In Person: Drop off your offering in the offering plates/baskets at the front of each worship location.

For the Most Recent Updates: www.fumctr.com/calendar

I love you,

Pastor Ed (cell: 609-617-5182)