



# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Update #69

July 27, 2021 – Church Office Hours M-F 9am – 12:30pm

*“...So then, just as you received Christ Jesus  
as Lord, continue to live your lives in  
him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in  
the faith as you were taught, and overflowing  
with thankfulness...”*

~Colossians 2:1-15

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

Shoprite Cards available after  
9am and before 10:30am worship  
on **2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays**

1. I'm looking forward to **worshipping with you this Sunday (August 1<sup>st</sup> – Communion!)** at 9:00am and 10:30am!

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

\*Reservations are no longer required...come and sit anywhere you like ☺

2. The **Trustees** would like to know if any church members are periodically cleaning up/cutting the grass at the Old Methodist Cemetery in downtown Toms River. If you know (or it's you!!), contact Tom Newsome (Trustee Chair) through the church office.

3. Our **NEXT Food Pantry** is **Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup>**. Bring your items to worship that day.

4. Mark your calendars! **The Rummage Sale will be held on October 1st & 2<sup>nd</sup>**. Drop-Offs begin on September 26<sup>th</sup> --- Please do not drop off items before 9/26...Thank you!

5. Pray for our **Youth and College ministries as they meet throughout the summer**. Please ask God to continue working in the lives of our young people. Questions for Pastor Wes? His email address is [wesellis@fumctr.com](mailto:wesellis@fumctr.com)

6. Mark your calendars...our annual **Church Conference (via Zoom) with the District Superintendent** is Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30pm. All church members are invited to attend virtually.

7. **Pastor Wes' Online Devotional** is **EVERY THURSDAY** at 10am on Facebook. Log on at [www.facebook.com/fumctr](https://www.facebook.com/fumctr). You can also see it at [www.fumctr.com](http://www.fumctr.com)

8. Even in the summertime, you have always been so supportive of your church family - generously giving of your time, wisdom, experience, passion, and financial resources to sustain and grow our ministries. As we continue in these “new days,” it is my most sincere hope and prayer that First Church can count on your ongoing support. Thank you for keeping the body of Christ strong in Toms River!

### August Birthdays

Marge Bruder (2)

Jim Agans (5)

### August Anniversary

Harry & Joy Hartjen (2)

I love you,

*Pastor Ed* (cell: 609-617-5182)

### Electronic Giving Address:

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**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:** We pass the plates/baskets during worship or you may drop off your offering to the office during the week.

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