



Hiring Assistant Facilities Manager

We are currently seeking an Assistant Facilities Manager to join our team! This position will be a vital part of our church's operations, helping to ensure that our facilities are maintained in excellent condition for all who use them.

The Assistant Facilities Manager will work alongside our Facilities Manager to oversee the day-to-day operations of our church buildings and grounds. Responsibilities will include maintenance and repair work, overseeing cleaning services, managing inventory and supplies, and coordinating with outside vendors when necessary. This position will also be responsible for helping to ensure the safety and security of our facilities.

We are looking for someone who has a strong work ethic, excellent communication skills and a passion for serving others. The ideal candidate will have experience in facilities management or a related field, as well as experience managing staff and working with vendors. A background in construction or building maintenance is a plus.

If you or someone you know is interested in this exciting opportunity, please submit a resume and cover letter to Linda Bowen at lbowen@fumcor.org. We look forward to hearing from you and finding the perfect candidate to help us continue to maintain our facilities to the highest standards.

Family Promise Update

For the last year, our congregation has supported an excellent ministry to families with children who are currently homeless. Family Promise of Roane County (FPRC) houses these families at Bethel Presbyterian in Kingston and Harriman United Methodist Church. But this program is about more than simply offering shelter, the parents are offered job and financial counseling, while the children are given transportation to school.

The goal is always to move families into their own homes, ensuring they have furnishings, supplies and continued support to make it once there.

One family supported by Family Promise for a number of months at Bethel Presbyterian recently found housing in Oak Ridge. Two of three children from a family staying at Harriman UMC attended the Resurrection youth gathering in January. The father of that family now has employment.

Volunteers from our congregation help make these miracles happen. Our congregation will provide meals the week of May 7-13. If you are interested in supporting this amazing ministry, contact Terry Pfeiffer (terrylynn73@gmail.com) or Jan Melcher (jaymelch@gmail.com).



A Break for Spring Break

The Children and Family Ministries team is hosting **Spring Break Hang** on Wednesday, March 22, from 12:00-2:00 p.m. on the church playground. Parents, bring your kids and a picnic lunch, and stay to enjoy some fellowship time outside while your kids play together in a safe environment. Contact Shelby at sfowler@fumcor.org for more information.

Vacation Bible School Registration is Open!

Join the Children and Family Ministry team for "Living Water: Sailing Towards God's Love." Vacation Bible School is open to students age 5 through 6th grade and will take place June 12-15 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Your family



to register

can then join us on Friday, June 16 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for family night where we will wrap up Vacation Bible School with music, water games, fellowship and more!



to volunteer



Mark your calendars for March 26 and come join the new card making group led by Sandi Henry. We will meet while the youth group is having their time together.

So, bring your kids to youth and enjoy some fun and fellowship making your own greeting cards! We will be meeting in room 207 at 7:00 p.m.

This Sunday is Group Membership Sunday

Have you been interested in joining the church but have been putting it off? Perhaps you are more comfortable joining with a group as opposed to joining alone. If this describes your situation, then get in touch with Pastor Denna as soon as possible. We will be hosting Group Membership Sunday in all services.

In Sympathy:

We extend our sympathy to the family of **Sammie Harris**, who joined our church family on November 27, 2022, died on March 12. Funeral is March 20, receiving friends at noon, service at 1:00 pm, reception following.

Jane Hall, Ruthie Gordon's mother, died on March 6 at The Groves. Her celebration of life will be held this summer.

In the Hospital:

Ron Jackson (MMC)

Dismissed:

Linda Houlberg to Beverly Park Place Health and Rehab Center

Our Giving

Weekly offering:	\$ 35,321
2023 YTD offering:	\$ 311,793
2022 YTD offering:	\$ 301,275
Mission Offering:	\$ 1,940

Worship for March 19

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Sermon: How to Avoid a Darkened Heart

Scripture: John 9:1-41

8:45 & 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship - Multipurpose Room
Preaching: Rev. Mark Flynn



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Lenten Organ Recital

Mark your calendars for Sunday, April 2 at 3:00 p.m. when our Organist & Choirmaster Josh Sumter will present a recital of Lenten organ music.

This recital is presented in conjunction with the Oak Ridge Civic Music Association as a part of their Coffee Concert series. Featured composers include Bédard, Demessieux, Guilmant, Michel and Watson. Refreshments will be provided after the concert.

Pastor Jenny's Holy Land Trip

Pastor Jenny will be leaving on Thursday for a two-week trip to the Holy Land. She will be visiting holy sites in Jerusalem and Bethlehem, and also visiting such places as the Judean Desert, Galilee, and Nazareth. She looks forward to sharing her experiences of Israel and Palestine upon her return.

Easter Flowers

If you would like to order flowers to bedeck our worship spaces this Easter, please fill out a form and submit it in the offering plate or to the church office with your cash or check made payable to First UMC with "Easter flowers" in the memo line.



Forms may be found with ushers and greeters on Sunday mornings or in the office throughout the week.

Orders are due no later than Sunday, March 26.

Holy Week Services

- April 2: Palm & Passion Sunday in all morning worship spaces
- April 6: Maundy Thursday in the Multi-Purpose Room 7 pm
- April 7: Good Friday in the Sanctuary 7 pm
- April 9: Easter Sunrise Service: begins in the Memorial Garden and moves to the sanctuary for Holy Communion
- April 9: Easter Worship in all three regular worship services

Pastors Mark Flynn, lead • Jenny Caughman, spiritual care • Denna Hornby, associate
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