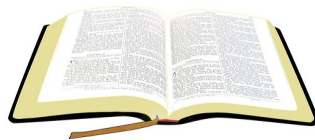


Celebration of Ministries - September 27, 2026

Scripture Readers Needed

Scripture Readers for Worship Service in October and November are needed. Sign up in the Narthex for a date that works best for you.



For Sept. 13, 20, 29



Magic!! Wear a name tag and change strangers into friends

In September, we're changing people we don't know in our congregation into friends, by making and wearing name badges.

There are name tag badges (new-these won't fall off!) and marker on a table in the Main Street and Alley Entrances for your name. At the end of service, greet those around you by name -- you might even get to know a new friend. There are also plastic badges to stick your name tag on and keep with you for Sunday services.

FUMC Stewardship Campaign News:

The 2027 Stewardship Campaign will kick off on Sunday, October 18, 2026, in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome—a meal is being planned! Today, September 27, leaders of FUMC Committees and Activities—and anyone else who wants to help—are invited to the Fellowship Hall to prepare for the Stewardship Campaign.

Volunteers needed to make sack lunches in September and October!

When: Saturday 9am-10:30.

Where: FUMC basement



If you can serve on one of those Saturdays, please let Lorraine Carlson know – madamecarlson@gmail.com

Each pew now has a Welcome clipboard. Thank you for passing it along to the folks in your pew! We hope newcomers and visitors will sign up for our weekly announcements. And remember, everyone is invited to share coffee, tea, treats and conversation after the service!



Volunteers needed as communion servers. Please sign up in the Narthex.

Weekly Snapshot

- 9/27 - LTQ Class, Library 9:00am
- 9/29 - UMC Study Group w/ Pastor John, online 10:00am
- 9/30 - Lectionary Group, Library 10:00
- 10/1 - Covenant Group, Moore Room 10:30
- 10/3 - POV Lunches, Kitchen/Clara Smith rm. 9:00-11:00am
- 10/4 - World Communion Sunday, Sanctuary, 10:00

Ruth Fellowship meets October 8th, Thursday at 10:00 am in the Kay Duffield library. Ruth is interested in fellowship, a monthly program and outreach to church members who need a little TLC. For October 8th, Nanci Reed will give the devotions, and Cathy Kemmis will be the hostess. The program will be sharing summer activities with each other.

Tzedakah Pocket Offers Hope

We made it through another summer thanks to your contributions. We were able to help several people in need this month which is the intent of this ministry. Each person and family we helped was very grateful for the assistance.

A summary of assistance provided by our church's Tzedakah Pocket Ministry for the month of September 2026 and Year to Date 2026 is shown below. We help whenever we can with as much as we can. Please continue to donate whenever you are able. We can, and do, make a difference for those who come to us for assistance.



Tzedakah Summary

2026 Donations: \$9,418.53

Assistance Paid	September 2026			Year to Date 2026		
	Amount	Fam	Child.	Amount	Fam	Child.
Lodging	\$ 0	0	0	\$ 2,014.12	8	4
Rent/ Sec. Dep.	\$ 318.00	1	2	\$ 2,269.00	11	19
Other	\$ 205.00	2	2	\$ 5,032.78	50	46
TOTAL	\$ 523.00	3	4	\$ 9,315.90	69	69

We completed our third Family Promise rotation of 2026 last week and we extend our thanks to everyone who participated in any way to help.



Please join us for the **Family Promise Chili Cook-off & Pie Extravaganza** on October 2 at 6 pm (doors open at 5:45 pm) at Revive Church. The evening will include delicious food, a silent/live auction and an update on Family Promise status and plans. Organized activities are provided for children at no extra charge. Your presence could make a huge difference for families in our community working toward housing stability. In addition to your presence, you may also help by 1) donating a pie or special dessert to be sold for 4 tickets per serving (signup for this donation has a deadline of 9/28), 2) donating an item for the silent or live auction. This could be a pie/special dessert, a themed basket, or any other item you want to contribute (signup for this donation has a deadline of 9/28) or 3) helping with setup or cleanup.

Use the following link https://www.familypromisemissoula.org/chili-cookoff?blm_aid=71970 to register/pay for chili and cornbread; to donate items; to volunteer for providing pie/dessert for serving; or to help set up or clean up. Another option is to contact Jane Kisselbach

A Room to rent for our Afghan refugee

The young Afghan woman refugee our congregation has sponsored is seeking a more affordable place to live with lower rent, to help her start professional training. She is 30 years old, working full-time in Missoula and living near her employment. She is a legal resident with green card and has no trouble from current immigration enforcement. As her "American grandparents," the Drop-by-Drop team at First United Methodist Church will continue to help her navigate her adjustment to living in Missoula.

Renting a room in a private home with a bath and kitchen privileges would help her save money for further professional training, and continue supporting her mother and 3 sisters left behind in Afghanistan. If you or someone you know is interested, please call Jana, [406-721-5558](tel:406-721-5558) or John [406-396-8966](tel:406-396-8966).

Prayer List for September 27, 2026



Lord in your Mercy...Hear our Prayers...

- ♦ Continued comfort and peace for Phyllis W. as she remains stable in hospice care.
- ♦ That Fred will find a new job soon.
- ♦ Comfort for Pastor John's brother-in-law Rob P and his family in the passing of Rob's father.
- ♦ Joy for Barry P's birthday September 20th.
- ♦ Thanksgiving that Nick's surgery went well, and hope for a quick recovery.
- ♦ Healing for Nick's mom, who broke her knee.
- ♦ Thanksgiving that Shelly's papa is visiting to help with the kids while Nick's laid up.
- ♦ Hope that the Griz will do better in the future.

- ♦ Thanksgiving for the kid's message and sermon reminding us that God's interest is in what people need, not what's "fair", and hope that those running our government will have a change of heart and operate as God would want us to.
- ♦ Thanksgiving that Rocky A's daughter Michi and her dog Samwise are safely at home in Pennsylvania.



Please send your prayer requests in! E-mail Kathie Snodgrass at kathiewearsgreen@yahoo.com with your prayer requests. You can also email or call the office at fumcmissoula@gmail.com or (406) 549-6118.