

**OUR STEWARDSHIP** ... September 22, 2019

Church Membership.....306	Budget.....600,000.00
Morning Worship.....128	Needed..... 438,462.00
Early Worship ..... 46	Offering Sunday..... 4 ,261.50
Sunday School..... 119	To Date.....363,375.93
Contemporary Worship .....na	Under Budget..... (75,086.07)
Evening Bible Study .....na	

**CHURCH CALENDAR THIS WEEK**

Read Your Bible Daily

Wednesday, September 25 Song of Solomon 6-8; Galatians 4

- 7 :00 a.m. Emmaus Men’s Prayer Group  
Youth: *See You at the Pole*
- 5:00 p.m. Youth Fundraiser Supper  
Backpacks of Hope
- 5:30 p.m. Children’s Music
- 6:00 p.m. Children’s Activities  
Youth: *Saw You at the Pole Rally/CLC*
- 6:15 p.m. Prayer Meeting & Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, September 26 Isaiah 1-2; Galatians 5

Friday, September 27 Isaiah 3-4; Galatians 6

Saturday, September 28 Isaiah 5-6; Ephesians 1

Sunday, September 29 Isaiah 7-6; Ephesians 2

- 8:45 a.m. Early Worship
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
- 3:00 p.m. Lay Leadership Committee
- 5:00 p.m. Fall Family Picnic

Monday, September 30 Isaiah 9-10; Ephesians 3

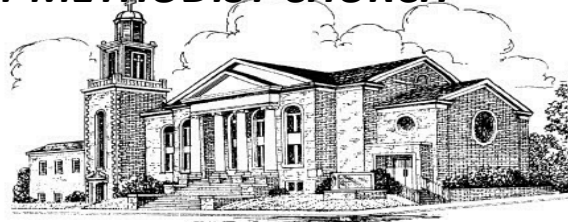
Tuesday, October 1 Isaiah 11-13; Ephesians 4

- 11:00 a.m. Backpacks of Hope: Betheden
- 1:00 p.m. Duplicate Bridge
- 2:00 p.m. Methodist Women

**BE IN PRAYER FOR REVIVAL!!!!**

*It is your responsibility to notify the office of schedule changes.  
Monday noon is the deadline to get something in the newsletter.*

**Louisville  
FIRST METHODIST CHURCH**



“The Church in the Heart of the City  
With Christ’s Mission at Heart”

**SERVING Sunday, September 29, 2019**

- Ushers and Greeters:** Ushers and Greeters: Youth
- Altar Guild:** Kay Crowson and Jan Brantley
- Acolytes/Crossbearer:** Jennifer Collier, Julia Gregory, Ella Claire Gregory
- Lay Reader:** Brantlee Wright
- Children’s Time:** Charles Bond
- Children’s Supper:** Picnic
- Youth Supper:** Picnic

**Live broadcast** of the Morning Worship can be seen every Sunday on Channel 18 at 11:00 a.m. **Rebroadcast** of this service can be seen every Sunday at 7:30 p.m. on Channel 18 and heard at 6:00 p.m. every Sunday on **WLSM-FM 107.1**.

You can watch the **Live streaming** of the 11 a.m. service at **Louisville First Methodist Church** on Facebook. You can listen to the delayed broadcast of the previous Sunday’s **Contemporary Service** each Sunday at 12:00 noon on **WLSM-FM 107.1**.

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### A PENGUIN “PARABLE”

During storms, emperor penguins huddle for warmth, taking turns at the center and on the perimeter of the group. While incubating eggs, up to 6,000 male penguins have been observed clustering for shelter against the harsh Antarctic winter. Partially grown chicks gather in protective “crèches” (French for “cribs”); often surrounded by a colony of adults, these groupings ward off predators and cold.

In stormy times, humans also need supportive groups; we can’t survive alone. A church family allows us to take turns giving and receiving care. Amid social upheaval, injustice, illness, natural disaster and any loss or crisis, God invites us to gather for protection and warmth. In the church community, we support and strengthen one another and are empowered to go out again into the less-sheltered world.

### MEMORY VERSE

*You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach you also.*

2 Timothy 2:1-2 (Sept. 22-28)

And let us consider how to stir up one another in to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. Hebrews 10:24-25 (September 29- October 5)

### UNIMAGINABLE IMPACT

You don’t know how many people have been strengthened because you asked God to encourage them; how many people have been healed because you prayed for their bodies; how many spiritual runaways have come home because you prayed for their souls. None of us may ever know the true effects of our prayers this side of death. But we do know this: History belongs to the intercessors.

### YOUTH FUNDRAISER SUPPER

Come eat with us tonight at 5 p.m. The youth are serving a Taco Salad Bar with a “Make Your Own” Sundae for dessert. The cost is a donation. You did not have to sign up! Come support our youth.

### SEE YOU/SAW YOU AT THE POLE

*See You At the Pole* is about one simple thing—STUDENTS in PRAYER. Young people all around the country will be gathering around the flag poles that their respective schools in the early morning hours of September 25 to pray for their schools, their communities, and their country.

This year’s theme is *If My People Pray* based on the scripture from 2 Chronicles 7:14 “If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.”

That evening at 6:30 p.m. all county youth are invited to a *Saw You At the Pole* rally in the sanctuary of First Methodist Church.

### LAY LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

There will be a meeting of the **Lay Leadership Committee** next Sunday at 3 p.m. This will be the beginning of the nominations for new Lay Leadership for FMC. Those on this committee are Mike Childs, Hugh Hathorn, Harry Kemp, Rob Yates, Mellie Thomas, Al Porter, Valerie Sullivan, Samantha Dickerson, Roger Mason, Gerry Clark, Sylvia Clark.

### CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC

Everyone is invited to come out to Legion State Park on Sunday beginning around 4:30 for our Annual Church Family Fall Picnic. Our chefs will be grilling up hamburgers and hot dogs. We need you to bring sides and desserts and your lawn chairs! There will be time to visit for the adults and activities for the kids. You might even want to bring your fishing pole! We will end the day with a devotion and communion. This will be a great time for us invite someone to come with us.

### SERVE AT HOME

On the bulletin board in the hall way leading from the gym to the parking lot there are listed some of the great ministries we are a part of. Starting this week there will be notecards with ideas of ways to make a difference in our community. Read the cards and adopt a project! When you have completed it just put your initials and the date on the card. One card talks about blessing the staff at a doctor’s office. Initial and date it, plus put the doctor’s office so that we can make sure we can cover as many as possible! There are is also some FMC stickers available on the board, that way you can let them know that we love them at First Methodist! Have fun, complete projects with friends, prayer groups, and family. The biggest thing is letting our community know that God loves them and so do we!

### OTHER MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

- **Operation Christmas Child** – We’re collecting Play Dough, water colors and color books
- **Backpacks of Hope** – We’re collecting Vienna Sausages. The Pleasant Ridge MB Church is packing on September 26.

### PRAY FOR REVIVAL

Our **FMC Revival** will be October 13-16. We will have lunch meeting on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday as well as evening services. A light lunch will be served at noon followed by a short message. We’ll make sure to get out by 12:45 p.m. so that those needing to return to work may do so. On Monday and Wednesday we will meet for lunch at First Methodist, and on Tuesday we will meet at Whitehall. Keep Pastor Jeff Switzer in your prayers as he prepares to bring us the messages.

### FROM THE MAILBAG

My thanks to all who helped me celebrate my birthday last week. It was the best one I have had in a long time! God is good to make me a part of this great church family.

Miss Peggy (Crawford)