

Tunnel Hill United Methodist Church

The Messenger

November 2020



*Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses,
let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles.
And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us,
fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.
– Hebrews 12:1-2*

This church has a long list of saints who have gone on to heaven to live with God eternally. In many ways they were ordinary people like you and me. However, in other ways, they each stood out because they chose to live their lives as followers of Jesus Christ in their own unique way. As a result, they impacted this community and helped to advance God's kingdom.

This Sunday, during the 9am and 11am Worship Services, we will celebrate 'All Saints Sunday' together as a church. This means that as we worship, we'll take time to remember all of the saints that have gone on before us while also giving special attention to the members of our church that have passed away since this time last year. They are:

*Blake "LB" Horne
Ray Anderson
Kathryne Middleton
Clara "Toppi" Griffin
Thelma Harrod
Barbara Johnson*

As we call out these individual's names in each worship service, a candle will be lit in each person's memory. At that time, family members and friends will also be invited to stand as a way of honoring and remembering their loved ones.

As we celebrate 'All Saints Sunday' together, it's important for us to remember that for Christians, death isn't an end. It's a passage from one stage of life to the next. Victor Hugo once wrote, "For those who believe, death isn't a blind alley, it's a thoroughfare." That's exactly how our ancient fathers and mothers viewed dying. They viewed heaven as their homeland and death as the journey that carried them there.

Therefore, even though we miss all of the saints who have lived among us, on 'All Saints Sunday', we can celebrate their lives and how their influence on us continues. I hope that you'll be able to worship with us in person or online this Sunday as we give God thanks for all the saints we've been blessed to know and live alongside.

Grace and Peace,
Jay



Please note: Beginning September 2020, prayer requests will remain on the list for four weeks. If a request needs to stay on the list longer than four weeks, please let us know. To add or remove a friend or loved one, please contact the church office at (706) 673-4022 or thumc@optilink.us.

Thank you!

THUMC Family:

Butch Middleton, Ginny Horne, Hub Griffin, Maribelle Richardson, Jim Lansing & family, Valerie Cleaver, JoAnn Richardson, Garland Barnes & Helen, Barbara Johnson family

THUMC's Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts

Extended Friends & Family of THUMC:

Marla Barbaree – Bill & Carolyn Watkins' daughter
Mike Nuckolls – Butch Middleton's cousin
Robin Green – family member of Adam Tankersley
Bobby Balser – Vanessa Clack's cousin
*Charlene – friend of Frank & Carol Dubee
*Jerry – friend of Frank & Carol Dubee
*Dewey Cavender – Daniel Cavender's father
*Barbara Scott – friend of Delyn Lusk
*Clint Riddle – friend of Delyn Lusk

(*Denotes new additions)

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekly Budget Needed: \$5,130

Total Giving for August

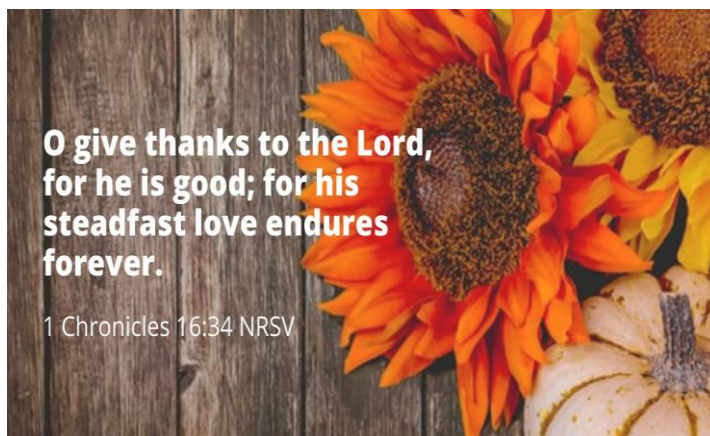
GENERAL BUDGET: \$16,655.59
WESLEY WOODS: \$100
OTHER DESIGNATED GIVING: \$495

Total Giving for September

GENERAL BUDGET: \$20,293.96
WESLEY WOODS: \$175
OTHER DESIGNATED GIVING: \$728

Total Giving for October Thus Far

GENERAL BUDGET: \$19,235.13
BOY SCOUTS PROJECT: \$515
OTHER DESIGNATED GIVING: \$4,975



**O give thanks to the Lord,
for he is good; for his
steadfast love endures
forever.**

1 Chronicles 16:34 NRSV



OASIS NEWS

Do you know a student in 6th-12th grade? Is he/she looking for a community of Jesus loving youth to be a part of? The students of OASIS would love to invite them to be a part of the youth ministry here at Tunnel Hill United Methodist. We meet from 6:15-7:30 on Wednesday evenings for food, fellowship, worship, and Bible study. Our current study, *Zero to Hero*, deals with unlocking our superpowers in Christ.

On Sunday, November 22nd, OASIS students are invited to a superhero celebration to conclude our study. Come dressed as your favorite superhero for pictures, games, and food as we celebrate the greatest superhero: Jesus. We will meet in the fellowship hall from 6:00pm-8:00pm.

- Adam

Operation Christmas Child Deadline

The deadline for shoebox drop off is Sunday, November 15th. Empty shoeboxes are ready to be picked up & packed! Boxes are located in the Fellowship Hall, the Friendship Class, near the Sanctuary exit and also in the Narthex. Each box contains instructions as well as boy/girl labels (please return any that are not used.) Completed shoeboxes can be placed in the Fellowship Hall next to the sofa or in the Sanctuary on the altar. If you have questions or need further information, please contact Ann Kuzniak at 706-581-8231. Thanks!



WEEKLY ONLINE PRAYER MEETING

You're invited to join Pastor Jay online for prayer each Wednesday evening at 6:30pm using the Zoom Website/App. This is a great opportunity to share what's on our hearts with God and with each other. This weekly meeting typically lasts around 30 minutes.

To participate go to <https://www.Zoom.us> and sign on with this info:
Meeting ID: 981 361 7195 / Password: 816365
Hope you can join us!

SUNDAY SCHOOL ONLINE

The Friendship Class is now meeting in person. You can also participate in this class online every Sunday at 10am using the Zoom Website/App.

To participate go to <https://www.Zoom.us> and sign on with this info:
Meeting ID: 729 7056 5806 / Password: 012815
Everyone is invited to take part!



SEVERAL SMALL GROUPS RESUMING FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS

Journey Land (kids PK-5th grade) meets in the Glow Kids room upstairs on Sundays at 9:00am

The Friendship Sunday School Class meets at 10:00

The Men's Sunday School Class meets in the Fellowship Class at 10:00

Children's Sunday School Classes (PK-5th) are meeting upstairs at 10:00

Glow Kids (kids PK-5th) are meeting from 6:15pm-7:00pm on Wednesdays in the Friendship Class

