



THE BEACON

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN

MAY 2026



In Our Prayers

Julie Kelly (Gaylor)
Ben & Nicole
Schwartz,
Steve LaMons (Robin
BIL)
Ed Bugby
Leslie Nichols
Kirk Osborn
Rob Blackburn
Bob Howard
cousin and parents
of Charli Lau
Robin Ross
Betty Ethridge
Regina Ray,
Marthena (Bob Beck)
Amy Ethridge
Rachel Newton
(Bennetts)
Bob Beck
Lonnie Bobo
Della and Fred Ryder
(Cousin of Pat Flaga)
Zelma (Darlene Key)
Mark Hall
Lynette Hayes
(Bugby)
Zayne Carrington
(Dennis)
Nico (Harris)
Tami Ross
(Bennetts)
Ken Jones (Esther
Houser)
Bill Lockman (Bob
Beck)
Marie and Dennis
Lynch (Robin Ross)

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Veterans

Armed Services
Deployed & Stateside

DEAR FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,

Thank you for your thoughts and prayers as I have been healing from a torn calf muscle. This unavoidable injury was a surprise to say the least, especially since it happened right before Holy Week but because of this great church and our Great God, Holy Week ran smoothly. Thank you for all of your get well cards and food as I have been healing. Your kindness and support have made this challenging time much easier. I'm grateful to have such a caring congregation.

Youth group is wrapping up for the year and what a year it has been! In the first half of the year, the group's focus was on generosity. For the second half of the year, the focus was all about relationships including with self, with others, and with God.



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WORSHIP LEADERS

Elder of the Month: Robin Ross

Communion Leader: Kim Bennett

Sunday, May 3

Liturgist Steve Schwandt

Ushers Robin Ross

Billy Richardson

Sound/Video Ed Bugby/ Zoey

Sunday, May 10

Liturgist Penny Gooch

Ushers Nicole Anderson

Dennise Laughlin

Sound/Video Ed Bugby/ Zoey

Sunday, May 17

Liturgist Billy Richardson

Ushers Stephanie Brown

Sound/Video Ed Bugby Zoey

Sunday, May 24

Liturgist Dennis Laughlin

Ushers Kim Bennett

Jan Harris

Sound/Video Mike Morris/ Zoey

Sunday, May 31

Liturgist Denise Kennemer

Ushers Leslie Nichols

Amy Ethridge

Sound/Video Ed Bugby/Zoey



The lessons were taught through the Bible, individuals within our congregation, conversations, field trips, and of course, food. THANK YOU to the MANY of you that have supported our youth in so many ways. Our youth know Jesus better because of your generosity with time, treasures and talent.

I'm excited about this summer and I am looking forward to Pentecost and our Annual Holy Smokes Cookout which is happening on Sunday, May 31st following worship.

With gratitude,

Rev. Katrina Richardson

MAY BOOK TALK!

Meeting:

Wednesday,

May 27

11:30 a.m.

In the Parlor



Property Update!

It's been a while since our last proper property team update and since then our property team has been hard at work!

A new cedar fence was built between the duplex and the rental properties to the North of the main church building and the utility shed was taken down thanks to the hard work of Mr. Terry Bobo, Mr. Ed Bugby, Mr. Mike Morris, Mr. Michael Bennett, and Mr. Frank Flaga! A great team, and a lot of hard work!

There has been much needed work on our lift, an extremely integral piece of equipment for accessibility, that Mr. Terry Bobo, Mr. Ed Bugby, and Mr. Frank Flaga have been spearheading.

The Morris' have done a gorgeous spring sprucing of our east side garden, the one you see when first entering our building for worship!

And last but certainly not least, Mr. Ed Bugby with the assistance of EMI workers (Thank you Terry Bobo) has managed the arrival and installation of a new updated sign for our church, the main item people see when sitting at the corner of Noble and Division! The church office is currently at work ensuring each slide on our gorgeous new sign is readable, beautiful, and has all of our current church happenings!

-Shu, Office Administrator



SPRING BIRTHDAYS

Apr 15	Liberty Brown
Apr 21	Hunter Brown
Apr 23	Billy Richardson
Apr 26	Nevalee Sewell
Apr 27	Persephone Thederahn
Apr 28	Shu Fields
May 2	Lonnie Bobo
May 6	Kim Bird
May 11	Jerrie Morris
May 12	Janis Walkingstick
May 13	Steve Schwandt
May 18	Cameron Brown
May 24	Robin LaMons

CONGRATS GRADS!

If you or someone you love is graduating this May, please email the church office with their name, school, degree, and picture.

We would love to celebrate what God is doing in their lives!

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SETTING A WELCOME TABLE SINCE 1889.

MISSION STATEMENT

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GUTHRIE
IS A CARING FAMILY OF CHRISTIANS STRIVING TO
BRING INDIVIDUALS CLOSER TO GOD THROUGH
WORSHIP, EDUCATION, FELLOWSHIP, AND SERVICE.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP, SERVICE, PRAYER AND FELLOWSHIP

RECURRING EVENTS

Mondays

1:00-4:00 p.m. Strings of Distinction (SR)

Tuesdays

1:00-6:00 p.m. Lisa's Music Studio (S)
Strings of Distinction (SR)

Wednesdays

10:15 a.m. **Holy Grounds (P)**
11:00 a.m. **PW Wednesdays (D/FH/P)**
1:00-5:00 p.m. Strings of Distinction (SR)
5:32 p.m. **'Changed' Youth Group (FH)**

Thursdays

11:00-5:00 p.m. Lisa's Music Studio (S)
1:00 p.m. Strings of Distinction (SR)

Fridays

Lisa's Music Studio (S)
Choir Rehearsal (MR)

Saturdays

10:00 a.m. Lisa's Music Studio (S)
Brunch on Noble (FH)

Sundays

9:30 a.m. Handbells (D)
9:45 a.m. Sunday School (D)
10:45 a.m. Worship Service &
Communion on 1st Sunday

D = DOWNSTAIRS

L = LIBRARY

P = PARLOR

SR = SUNSHINE ROOM

FH = FELLOWSHIP HALL

MR= MUSIC ROOM

S = SANCTUARY

U = UPSTAIRS

SPECIAL EVENTS /CHANGES

Thursday, April 30

6:00 p.m. Recital Rehearsal (S)

Friday, May 1

6:00 p.m. Recital (S)

Saturday, May 2

12:30-3:30 Keller Baby Shower (FH)

Tuesday, May 5

PEO Meeting (FH)

Tuesday, May 12

6:00 p.m. Session Meeting (D)

Wednesday, May 13

11:30 a.m. Esther Circle

Thursday, May 21– Tuesday, May 26

Katrina out of Office

Sunday, May 24, Pentecost

Monday, May 25, Memorial Day

Office Closed in observance of Memorial Day

Wednesday, May 27

11:30 a.m. Book Club

Sunday, May 31

Holy Smokes Cookout, following worship (FH)

Church Office Hours: 8:30-4:30 Monday –Thursday