

Sunday, July 17th

As we gather for worship, prepare your heart by focusing on God and offering this prayer: **“Living God, as we gather to worship you today, help me to encounter you, to truly worship you, to hear from you and to have my life changed by you. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”**

Readings: Psalm 25; John 14:16-26; John 15:26-16:16; 1 Corinthians 2

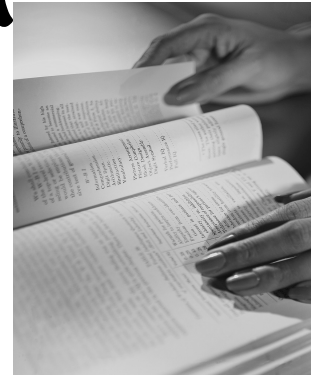
Prayer List

Please note the names of people needing prayer who were named in church this Sunday:

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| Danny Bagley | Otha Wilkins | Dan Steinen |
| Mary Jane Elkins | Carrie Stostetter | Becky Kelley |
| Edith Hite | Scott Carter | George Andrews |
| Malcom Ogburn | Thomas Taylor | Grace Marshall |
| Edith Parham | John Walton | Edith Umberger |
| Sarah Olds | Peter Clegg | Frances Hawthorne |
| Jon and Tanya Parks | Clare Armstrong | Elizabeth Crowder |
| Tika Daigle | Betty Yerby | Charis Storms |
| Martha White | Layton Powell | Brad and Laurie Morris |
| Jerry Davidson | Kathy McReynolds | David Jones and family |
| Tom Tanner | Lois Farmer | Lionel Viar |
| Charlotte and Lawrence Webb | Frances Seamans | David Cook and family |
| Betty Thompson | Lealand Compton’s family | Virginia and Vernon Gee |
| | Anthony Newcomb | Billy Hawthorne |

Others I would like to pray for:

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Inviting you to daily time with God.

Every day the Transformation Journal will offer you a scripture passage and a question or two for reflection. Take a few minutes each day, and see what God has for you! The prayer list is also on the back, so please take time to pray for those we have lifted up on Sunday.

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Sermon Notes:

Read Ezekiel 37:1-13. How does it feel to know that there is no such thing as being too dry to be renewed by God’s Spirit? How do you feel knowing that even when you lose hope, God is still ready to give you more of the Holy Spirit?

Prayer focus: Pray for the United Methodist Church as a whole that we would be filled afresh with God’s Spirit.

Monday, July 18th

Read Acts 1. The disciples follow Jesus' instruction to wait for the Spirit by focusing their time in prayer. Do you believe that you need the Holy Spirit? Are you willing to commit to asking God for more?

Prayer focus: Pray for Charis Storms and her work in Mongolia, that she might constantly be receiving more of the Holy Spirit in her life.

Tuesday, July 19th

Read Luke 11:9-13. Jesus assures us that God will give the Holy Spirit to those who commit to asking for the Spirit. Take some time to pray for the Spirit in your life.

Prayer focus: Pray for more of the Holy Spirit in the new church plants in our area: The Stand UMC (Fort Lee) and Journey UMC (Amelia).

Wednesday, July 20th

Read Acts 2:1-13. When the Holy Spirit came on the day of Pentecost, there was no doubt that the Spirit was present. How does the Holy Spirit work in and through you?

Prayer focus: Pray for Pastor Andrew and his family, that they might all receive more of the Spirit and be used fully by God.

Thursday, July 21st

Read Luke 3:21-22. Luke tells us that the Holy Spirit came upon Jesus while he was praying after his baptism. What can we learn by knowing the even Jesus received the Spirit through prayer?

Prayer focus: Pray for our church, that we would be pray-ers and that God would pour out the Holy Spirit on us in powerful ways.

Friday, July 22nd

Read Isaiah 55. God is inviting you to come and receive! Take time to draw near to God today through prayer, song, art, journaling, walking in nature or whatever other activity helps you to connect with God.

Prayer focus: Pray for leaders, especially the president and members of Congress, that they would hear God's invitation and respond.

Saturday, July 23rd

Read John 4:1-42. What can we learn about the gift of living water from Jesus' encounter with the woman at the well? Have you asked Jesus to give you living water/the Spirit (John 7:37-39)?

Prayer focus: Pray for the people of Belize, Guatemala, Honduras and Mexico, that they might have their physical and spiritual needs met
