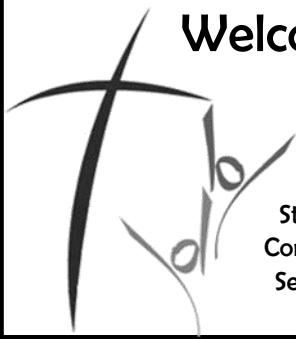


STEEPLE NEWS

Worshipping Christ... Welcoming All!



Studying God's Word
Connecting with Christ
Serving through Love

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Memory Verse

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Dear Beloved Saline First UMC Community,

Live Stream

The Live Stream of our Sunday worship service is going to look a bit different for the next few weeks while a piece of our equipment is out for repair. You’ll still be able to watch the service, but we’ll only have one camera view of the sanctuary. Please bear with us while we adjust to this temporary change in our Live Stream setup. Thank you!

What a joy it is to be welcomed into this congregation! As we start our time of ministry together, I am grateful for all the smiles, hugs, and kind wishes. God is alive and well in this church community!

I thought it might be helpful to have a little bit of background about me as we begin to get to know each other. I am originally from Midland, Michigan and have an undergraduate degree in teaching from Central Michigan University, a Masters in Educational Leadership from the University of Texas at San Antonio, and a Master of Divinity degree from the Methodist Theological School in Ohio. I have been a Hardee’s fry cook, a fifth-grade teacher, a stay-at-home mom, a Director of Christian Education, a local pastor, and am now an ordained elder in the Michigan Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Blood Pressure Checks

We will be offering blood pressure checks in the small conference room across from the kitchen on Sunday, July 3, between the services.

My interests include Dee-O-Gee (my dog), my amazing grandchildren, New York Times Crossword Puzzles, Pokémon Go, reading, Peloton, the Great British Baking Show, trying to keep my houseplants alive, long-distance bicycling, and backpacking the Appalachian Trail with my husband, Eric. I find God very nearby whenever I am outdoors and love to be in the mountains or on Lake Michigan.

My favorite conversations are about how we experience the presence of our Creator in unexpected moments, how best to live with generosity and extravagant love like Jesus, and how to recognize and listen to the nudgings of the Holy Spirit. God is always with us and wants to be an active part of every minute of every day!

Worship Schedule

8:04 am — In-person, casual worship service in Christler Hall.

9:30 am — In-person and Live Stream worship service in the sanctuary.

10:45 am — Pathfinders Adult Sunday School.

Our first sermon series together, “Living a Romans 12 Life,” is a great way for us to begin to have these conversations together as we work to apply Paul’s principles for holy living into our crazy, modern, overscheduled lives! I can’t wait to find out how God is calling us to work together to make things on earth as they are in heaven.

In loving service,
Pastor Amy

JOY Fellowship

JOY Fellowship will be meeting the third Thursday in July, the 21st at noon! There will be a luncheon for Just Older Youth ("JOY"), 55 and older. Gordy will be bringing out the grill and cooking some delicious Chicago style hot dogs! Suggested donation of \$5 to defray food costs. Invite a friend, we hope to see you there!!



Mary Lou Zimmerman

As most of you know, Pastor Tom's mom went home to be with our Lord on Sunday, June 26. Pastor Tom and his family are so grateful for the continued prayers and support that so many of you have provided. There will be a private family grave side service mid-July to honor his mom. Please continue to pray for the Zimmermans as they walk in this new season.

Here is the link to Mary Lou's obituary, <https://www.bacarellafuneralhome.com/obituaries/Mary-Zimmerman-12/#!/Obituary>

United Women in Faith Circles

The United Women in Faith Circles will not be meeting during the summer months. They will resume monthly circle meetings in September. If you are interested in attending, please contact the church office and we can help direct you with whom to get in touch.

Name Tags

Please wear your name tag, not only for the benefit of our new pastor but to also promote fellowship and welcome guests. After all, very few of us know everyone in attendance at worship. If you need a new name tag, please fill out a name tag request form at the narthex table. Your new name tag will be posted by the narthex closets in alphabetical order by last name.

Thank You

Dear Friends:

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to all of you for the numerous ways of expressing your love for us. We thank you for the prayers, the cards, and your retirement gifts. Thanks as well for an awesome reception and to everyone who had a part in it. Special thanks to Pam Heffelbower and her husband Steve who organized everything. It was a special day for our family and has already become a wonderful memory for us.

And thanks to your generosity, we raised \$5,200 for the Jim & Linda Tuttle Christian Service Scholarship Fund. Praise the Lord!

It's been a privilege to serve Christ with the amazing staff and our laity we've had over the years. We feel so blessed to be a part of this congregation.

Blessings,
Tom & Julie Zimmerman



Upper Class Scholarship

Applications for the Upper Class Scholarship are available both on our website and at the Opportunity Wall. If you are a member or active participant at our church and are currently enrolled in an accredited post high school educational institution with a grade point average of 2.0 or higher, you are an eligible candidate for the Upper Class Scholarship. Completed applications are due on **Sunday, August 7**. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

Dementia Care Giver Support Group

If you love someone and/or are caring for someone who has dementia, please know that you are not alone. EHM, Senior Solutions is offering a caregiver support group on the first Wednesday of each month at 5:30 pm in Room C. You do not need to attend FUMC Saline to join us. For more information call Jeanette Brenner at 734-474-1357.

Third Annual FUMC Saline Golf Scramble

Mark your calendar for Sunday, September 25, 2022! We will be holding our annual golf scramble to benefit our scholarship fund. Brookside Golf Course will once again be our host. We do not have all the details yet, but we wanted to make sure you save the date and start looking for your foursome. There will be a form online for you to fill out or you can call the church office and we can help you with the details. If you don't have a foursome, we can put you with another group so please make sure to still sign up!



Children & Student Ministry

Trish Farrell, Director of Children & Student Ministries, 413-822-6840 or trish@fumc-saline.org

Church newsletter- July 2022

Children & Student Ministries

July Highlights

July 14 Underground Day Trip: Waterpark (new date!)
 July 18-21 Bayshore Day Camp

Our 2022 VBS is the Bayshore Day Camp. Help is needed to make this week a success. Assist with campers, set up or tear down, or donate a meal for the Thursday evening potluck. Sign up is on the Children & Student Ministry table in foyer or contact Trish.

Complete schedule, details, and newsletters can be found on our website:

[Bayshore Day Camp Information](#)

[Student Ministry Newsletter](#)

Bayshore Day Camp on the Road is coming to Saline!

First Methodist Saline
BAYSHORE DAY CAMP
 VBS 2022

JULY 18-21
8:30-4:30PM
 & Family Dinner on Thursday

at First UMC Saline
 1200 N Ann Arbor Rd, Saline

Activities
 Wall Climb
 Archery
 Inflatables
 Laser Tag
 Rec Games
 Bible Stories
 Camp Chapel
 Snacks provided

GRADES K-5
 \$169

FIRST 30 KIDS TO REGISTER ONLY \$100!

REGISTER ONLINE
WWW.BAYSHORECAMP.ORG, EVENTS.DAYCAMP-FUMC-SALINE/
 For more info: 734.429.4730
 Scholarships available

THE UNDERGROUND
SUMMER 2022

JUNE

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

5 GRADUATION SUNDAY
 Honoring Class of 2022 at the 9:30am worship!

12 PASTORS TOM'S LAST SUNDAY
 Tom's last Sunday includes special worship 9:30 and celebration at 10:30am.

15 DAY TRIP: DAVE & BUSTERS (LIVONIA)
 Hundreds of the hottest new arcade games, epic prizes, & lunch. Meet at church 11:00am, return at 3pm. Bring your own money for lunch & games.

27-2 CIY MOVE TRIP (HIGH SCHOOL)
 We are heading to BGSU for an incredible week of bands, speakers, games, friends, & fun!

NEW DATE JULY 14!

JULY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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3 PASTOR AMY'S FIRST SUNDAY
 Help welcome our new pastor!

13 DAY TRIP: RED OAKS WATERPARK
 Waterslides, wave pool, and summer sun. Meet at church 11:00am, return at 5pm. Cost TBD

18-21 BAYSHORE DAY CAMP (VBS)
 Camp is here! Enjoy archery, climbing tower, music, crafts, & games. Sign up to volunteer & join in the most epic VBS ever!

31-4 CIY MIX TRIP (MIDDLE SCHOOL)
 Its time to take over Hope College for an amazing week of bands, speakers, games, friends, & fun!



Prayer Garden Bricks

Consider purchasing a brick for our prayer garden, something beautiful that will last a lifetime. We will be accepting orders now until August 28. 4" x 8" bricks, with up to three lines of characters are available for \$50.00 and 8" x 8" bricks with up to six lines of characters are \$80.00. Simple graphics, such as a cross or dove, may be added. Order forms are through the church office.

****Attention Kroger Shoppers****

FUMC Saline can earn quarterly rewards from Kroger! If you have a Kroger digital account and Shopper's Card, you can designate our organization to receive rewards based on your purchases. Money we collect from this program is deposited to our Good Samaritan Fund which is used to provide emergency assistance to families in our church and community.

Visit www.kroger.com/communityrewards to create a digital account, link your Shopper's Card and choose our organization! Please contact the church office if you have any questions or would like assistance. **Please Note: FUMC Saline must be reselected each year for us to continue receiving rewards.**

Kroger Community Rewards

1. Create a digital account. A digital account is needed to participate in Kroger Community Rewards. If you already have a digital account, simply link your Shopper's Card to your account so that all transactions apply toward the organization you choose.

2. Link your Card to an organization. Selecting the organization that you wish to support is as simple as updating the Kroger Community Rewards selection on your digital account.

1. Sign into your digital account.

2. Search for your organization [here](#). *Search for **First United Methodist Church of Saline**.

3. Enter the name or NPO number of the organization you wish to support. **The NPO for First United Methodist Church of Saline is XJ007.**

4. Select the appropriate organization from the list and click "Save". Your selected organization will also display in the Kroger Community Rewards section of your account. If you need to review or revisit your organization, you can always do so under your Account details.

3. Your organization earns. Any transactions moving forward using the Shopper's Card number associated with your digital account will be applied to the program, at no added cost to you. Kroger donates annually to participating organizations based on your percentage of spending as it relates to the total spending associated with all participating Kroger Community Rewards organizations. If you have any questions, please contact our [Customer Service Center](#).

Busch's MyWay

Attention Busch's Shoppers

Did you know that FUMC Saline can earn quarterly rewards from Busch's? If you have a Busch's MyWay account, you can designate our organization to receive rewards based on your purchases. Money we collect from this program is deposited to our Good Samaritan Fund which is used to provide emergency assistance to families in our church and community. Since February 2019, we've earned over \$554.00. **If you've already registered to contribute through Busch's MyWay, you must reselect your organization in 2022.***

Follow these simple steps to sign up:

- (1) Go to www.buschs.com.
- (2) Click on the MyWay tab and login or create an account.
- (3) From the dropdown menu under your name tab (top right) choose Cash for Education.
- (4) Under the Select Organization dropdown menu choose First United Meth. Church-Saline for each quarter. Click "add" after choosing the organization.



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Columbarium Niches Available

Niches are available in our church columbarium. A columbarium is an answer for the proper disposition and identification of the earthly remains of those who have shared the fellowship of our church family. This is to be the place especially for those who love First United Methodist Church of Saline and have a sense of closeness to it. Our columbarium includes 144 granite-faced, single-front niches and is located to the north of the church building in the Prayer Garden.

Theologically, cremation is not a modern concept and in no way discounts the Christian understanding of resurrection of the body and life everlasting. It simply speeds the natural process by which the body decomposes in burial. Cremation does not change God's plan for our earthly bodies. As far as the Christian Faith is concerned, what is important is that the remains are treated with respect and dignity. The fee paid upon execution of the Columbarium Agreement covers the rights of inurnment of cremated remains, opening and closing of the niche during inurnment, and perpetual care of the columbarium and prayer garden. Cremation costs, funeral home charges, cost for the urn(s), and engraving fees are not included. The fee of \$2,000 covers the cost of a niche for one or two persons. The purchaser may select his/her niche location, based on availability. Once finalized, niche assignment cannot be changed. If you are interested in more information, please contact the church office and a member of the Columbarium Team will contact you. Call 734-429-4730 or email office@fumc-saline.org; put "Columbarium Information" on the subject line.

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Birthdays - Saralyn Klepaczyk, Chucky Feeney, 7/3; Hunter Leslie, 7/4; Tabi Feeney, 7/5; Eli Routt, 7/6; Bob Comfort, Earl Spears, 7/7; Keith Held, Julie Zimmerman, 7/8; Amy James, Landon Stukey, 7/9.

Anniversaries - Gavin & Peggy Crawford, 7/3; Ken & Arloa Jennings, 7/5; Jim & Linda Tuttle, Tim & Mary Ellen Pickens, Mark & Samantha Thorpe, 7/8.



Prayers



Prayer Concerns - Carolyn Minnette, Scott Greer, Mobility Worldwide, the people of Ukraine.

Sympathies - Cheryl Schlaff & family on Raymond Schlaff's passing. Pastor Tom Zimmerman & family on the passing of his mother, Mary Lou Zimmerman.

Praises - Melissa & Rob Zimmerman's daughter was awarded an Emmy for meteorology by the Michigan Chapter of Television Arts & Science.

Continue to pray for - Rachel Woods, Emery Harmer, Julie O'Keefe, Gayle Rogers, Bill Doren, Steven Baker, LeeAnn Redies, Rob Fowler, Macy Family, Laurie Stewart, Julie Tuttle, Robert Barnes, Muffy Largin. Military: Erik Maddock, Ben Herrick.

Homebound/Special Living – Naomi Woods, Betty Sellers, Nancy Jedele, Vera Bennett, Virginia Sherman, Pat Peterson, Doris Sekerka, Doug Beard.

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Please Note our Revised Hours and Contact Information

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