

# First United Methodist Church of Saline

Rev. Tom Zimmerman  
October 7, 2021

*“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”* Matthew 6:21

Dear Friends:

Grace and peace to you from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

While this year continues to be unpredictable and different in many ways, some things do remain the same. For example, this weekend five of our third graders will receive their bibles.

We know that this age is an important year of discovery and growth for third graders. By now, they are ready to have their own Bible and we are beyond excited to give it to them! We are so grateful to share in this faith milestone with them.

As our young people receive their bibles, may they discover what we’ve learned: there’s treasure inside. It is a story about God’s extravagant love for us. Let’s pray these young people will discover this treasure.

See you in church or on Livestream.

*Pastor Tom*

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES + PRAYER LIST

**Birthdays** ~ Case Rumpsa, Emma Cochran, 10/11; Leslie Chandler, Abigael Jenks, 10/12; Mary Ann Sweet, 10/14; Gary Korte, Dawn Ducca, Jeanette Brenner, 10/15.

**Anniversaries** ~ Ed & Jackie Bedore, 10/13.

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**Prayer Concerns**—Annette Urban, Kristin Harper, Abby Stewart, Sophia, Carmela, Joan Molino, Al Becker, Carol Callan, Ashley & Paul, Ella Stubelt, Bonnie Milkey-Riggs, Karen Folta, our community, first responders, front line workers and our nation’s leaders.

**Sympathies**—Rachelle Roush & family on the passing of her mother, Bobbie Corey. Kathy McClure & family on the passing of her niece, Macy Miller.

**Continue to Pray for**—Jim Ducca, Julie O’Keefe, Gayle Rogers, Bill Doren, Steven Baker, Mike Walker, LeeAnn Redies, Rob Fowler, Abby Cudney, Macy family, Kim Durham, Laurie Tuttle Stewart, Julie Tuttle, Robert Barnes, Muffy Largin, Shiela Blough.

**Military**—Erik Maddock, J.T. St. Dennis, Ben Herrick.

**Pray for the homebound and those in special living facilities**—Naomi Woods, Betty Sellers, Florence Belt, Nancy Jedele, Joyce Gifford, Vera Bennett, Doris Schmerberg, Virginia Sherman, Pat Peterson, Doris Sekerka.

## Fall Sunday Schedule

**9:30 am** — In-person indoor and Live Stream Worship

**10:30 am** — Fellowship and coffee

**10:45 am** — Christian Education

- Youth Confirmation
- Cross Training (Grades K-6)
- Youth and Adult Sunday School

**11:00 am** — Outdoor worship in Ed wing parking lot area (in the case of inclement weather, the service will take place inside with masks)



# Announcements

**Third Grade Bibles Presentation**—We are delighted to continue our tradition of presenting bibles to our third graders. Sunday, October 10, the following third graders will receive their bibles at the 11:00 am outdoor service: David Enselman, James Gill, Kacey Murphy, Renee Ross and Brynley Walters. Congratulations!

**Third Quarter Contribution Statements**—Third quarter contribution statements will be mailed or emailed by Monday, October 18. Please contact Michelle Grill at the church office if you do not receive your statement. Thank you!

**Saline Area Social Services Thanksgiving Meal**—SASS is asking for the community's help in providing gift cards instead of food baskets again this year.

- **Thanksgiving Meal Gift Cards** (suggested amount of \$75)—Provide gift cards in \$25 increments for Meijer or Walmart. Gift cards will be accepted at the FUMC office now until **Sunday, November 7**.
- You can drop off the gift cards to the church office Monday – Thursday from 9:00 am – 12:00 noon or you can go on our website and click the on-line giving button and find “SASS Thanksgiving Meal Gift Card” in the giving options. Please call the church office with any questions, 734-429-4730.

**Saline Area Social Services Christmas Adopt-A-Family**—We have received information about the Christmas Adopt-A-Family program from SASS indicating that the collection period will be earlier this year. We expect to have a sign-up sheet available on or around October 25, with donations due November 7. More information will be available in future weekly updates and Sunday worship announcements.



**Saturday, October 16**

**7:30 am - 1:00 pm**

Donations accepted October 12–14, 10 am – 5 pm  
& October 15, 10 am – 7 pm

**No furniture, mattresses, computers or major appliances**



**Contact Trish Farrell with questions,  
[trish@fumc-saline.org](mailto:trish@fumc-saline.org) or 413-822-6840**



## **Grieving Together—Grief and the Holidays Workshop**

The group will remain on hiatus until the annual Grief and the Holidays Workshop is held on Monday, October 18, 6:30 pm. The holidays can be a very hard time of year for someone who has lost a loved one. Even years after a loss, many people find that holidays are still difficult. The Grief and the Holidays workshop, facilitated by Jeanette Brenner, is designed to support and guide you through the holiday season while coping with the loss of a loved one. This workshop will meet in Christler Hall. The community is welcome.