



Cumming First United Methodist Church

We Have A Place For You!

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Are You Signed Up?

Labor Day weekend is still a meaningful transition point from our summer schedules of travel, informal events, camps, and a little less hectic pace to the start of the Fall with all that it brings. Though many of us will be traveling, I welcome those who will be in town to our three worship services this Sunday:

- 9:00 a.m. lake service at the Bald Ridge Marina Chapel where we end our summer lake worship with a service of Holy Communion near the beautiful cross that overlooks the shoreline of Lake Lanier.
- 11 a.m. morning worship service in our sanctuary where Holy Communion will be served.

• 12 Noon Hispanic/Latino service in the Student Center. Bring a covered dish to share for lunch and participate in this lively, contemporary service en español.

We've had a strong summer in our early worship service, but due to the holiday, there is **no 8:45 a.m. service or Coffee and...** this week. I give thanks to all who have preached, sung and participated in this service.

This weekend marks the transition to the Fall schedule. Bible studies are beginning. Are you signed up? Have you made your plans? The opportunities are rich and varied. Please let us hear from you so that we can include you in one of these groups

of study and spiritual growth opportunities.

We continue our Sermon Series throughout the Fall - **Rethinking Church: Learning To Be Church Like It Was the First Time - the Church Born, the Church Afire, the Church Alive.** Study guides for each week of this study can be found on our website: www.cfumcga.com. Click on the Rethink Church graphic on the home page.

Hope to see you in worship this Sunday.

In His Love,

An Memoriam

Thomas Claire Evers

January 8, 1946- August 27, 2010

member of CFUMC since 2003

Gifts in Memory of

Food Pantry:

Lydia Sheffield

mother of Marjorie Reeves

Faithful Fellowship

Sunday School Class

Hymnal Fund:

Ed Colombo

Sorta 50's Sunday School Class

Intercessory Prayer Ministry:

Ed Colombo

May Winstead

June Wester

mother of Charlie Wester

A. Y. & Montine Howell

Mr. & Mrs. Keith Howell

Music Ministry:

Linda Kells

step-mother of Randy Kells

Chancel Choir

June Wester

mother of Charlie Wester

Chancel Choir

The Church Born, The Church Afire, The Church Still Alive



Worship With Us Sunday, September 5

15th Sunday after Pentecost/Holy Communion

NO 8:45 AM service this morning / NO Coffee and... this morning

9 AM - Lake Service @ Bald Ridge Marina Chapel

1850 Bald Ridge Marina Rd • Cumming, GA 30041

Rev. John Cromartie preaching *Rethinking Church:*

The Grace of Constant Communion

Scripture: Acts 2:42

Special Music: The Sawnee Mountain Boys

11 AM - Morning Worship in our Sanctuary

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The Grace of Constant Communion

Scripture: Acts 2:42

Special Music: *In Peace, In Peace Through Christ the Door* - The Chancel Choir
Baptism of *Hudson James Ray*, son of Chris & Neel Ray

12 Noon - Covered Dish Lunch and Hispanic Service en español in the Student Center

Rev. Eduardo Stevens preaching on Luke 14:25-33

*Child care is provided for ages 6 weeks-3 years at 11 AM;
Kid's Kingdom and TGIF will resume on September 12.*

Cumming First is...

a Place for Children... (Ages 4-Grade 5)



Kid's Kingdom and TGIF will resume on September 12.

More than Sunday School! Change is coming to our Sunday School program from grades K-5. *Living Inside Out: Every Day is an opportunity to bring a child closer to God.* Experience Bible stories through *Life in Action*, create new art as we *Bring It To Life* and *Live It Out* as we play games. Join us each week as we discover God's awesome LOVE for us!

Sunday Nights: Explosion!!!! returns September 12, 4:30-7 PM.

Questions? Call Kristy Thompson or Cherie Perkins, (770) 887-2900

a Place for Youth... (Grades 6-12)



Sundays:

Higher Ground, 9:45-10:45 am upstairs Fellowship & Sunday School in the Family Life Center

STUF, 5-7 pm (Bring \$3 for dinner)
9/5: **STUF will not meet tonight - enjoy the holiday**

9/12: **Family Fest @ the Cumming Fairgrounds, 4:15-9 PM Bring \$\$\$ to spend**

9/19: **Attitude is Everything**

Wednesdays: The Well 6:30-8 pm

Bible study and prayer time for Grades 7-12

All Activities begin/end at the Student Center unless noted otherwise. Questions? Laura Jordan 770.887.2900 or email: ljordan@cfumcga.com News? Get on the weekly email: kclaudon@cfumcga.com

a Place for Adults...

Book Clubs & Reading Groups

• **History Travelers: 7-8:30 PM, Church Library, Monday, September 13** *Priceless: How I Went Undercover to Rescue the World's Stolen Treasures* by Robert K. Wittman with John Shiffman

Questions? Call Russell Lewis, 770.932.6863

• **Cover to Cover: 7-8:30 PM, #110, Wednesday, September 29** *Eat, Pray, Love* by Elizabeth Gilbert

Questions? Call Laurie Hintz, 770.887.2900 ext 213

United Methodist Women Circles

• **Trinity Sisters:** All college & teen girls: New Member Movie Night, Saturday, September 11, 7 PM at the home of Tim & Sharon Heard. RSVP to Kristine Walden, 678.947-5707 or email km_walden@yahoo.com to get directions and details.

• **Naomi-Ruth:** Monday, September 13, 9:30 AM, #110

• **Myrtie Poole:** Wednesday, September 15, 11 AM, #110

Please pray for...

Those in the hospital:

Dan Kaye - Chestnut Ridge (No visitors)

Marie Shelton - Northside Forsyth

Sue Smith - outpatient surgery 9/8

Those at home:

Gloria Buice

John Cromartie

Ralph Gordon

Rebecca Herring

Andrea Johnson

E.W. Kemp

Ruth Reid

Julie Scheibe

Hyde Talbot

Sue Cochran

Sybil Dalton

Laurie Gowen

Ginger Jackson

Teresa Kelly

Donna Kimball

Kerry Rosewall

Roberta Still

Sympathy to:

• **Jim, Alex, Kelsey & Taylor Hensley** on the death of his father/their grandfather, Ronald Hensley, on 8/28 in Ohio.

• **Charlotte Evers** on the death of her husband, Tom Evers, on 8/27

• **Martie, Kyle, Tyler & Jacob Keese** on the death of her mother/their grandmother, Margaret Hodges, on 8/26

The Flowers

in the chancel are given to the glory of God

• in loving memory of our son, Gregory Sizemore, from John & Elizabeth Thibadeau.
• in celebration of our 11th wedding anniversary from Palmer & Pam Haffner.

• **September 19:** UMW prepares and serves *Coffee and...* goodies from our new cookbook which will be on sale. The Fall General Meeting will convene at 12:30 in room #110. Bring sandwich, salad or dessert to share.

XYZ Club Trip to

Christmastime in Savannah: Wednesday, December 1 thru Friday, December 3

Cost is \$425 per person (double occupancy); \$525 per person (single price); Optional cancellation insurance \$60 per person. **\$200 deposit, registration form and insurance payment is due in the church office by Sunday, September 12.** Final payment due October 24. Questions? Contact Anne Williams or Rev. Ron Preuss in the church office.

The People Called Methodist

Orientation Classes for Visitors and New Members
Sundays, 10 AM in the Mezzanine on the Balcony Level of the Sanctuary

• Our Faith Journey with Rev. John Cromartie on Sept. 12.

• What does it mean to be a United Methodist with Rev. Ron Preuss on Sept. 19.

• Tour the Church with Laurie Hintz on Sept. 26.

Nursery and child care are available in the children's wing. Questions? Contact Laurie Hintz, 770.887.2900 ext 213.

XYZ Club Trip to

Atlanta History Center

Thursday, September 16, 9 AM-3 PM, \$15 per person + cost of lunch

• Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial Exhibit

a Place for Everyone!

- Native Lands: Indians and Georgia
 - War in Our Backyards: Discovering Atlanta 1861-1865
- Deadline to sign up: Sunday, September 12. Questions? Contact Ron or Anne in the church office.

Membership Sunday

September 12 @ 8:45 and 11 AM

If you are interested in becoming a member of Cumming First United Methodist Church, please contact Laurie Hintz or Carol Johnson in the church office

Men's Retreat

Rock Eagle, September 24-26

Theme: *When Men Pray*. Sign up with Jackie West, 770.889.1633 or email: demwest@comcast.net



give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.

Luke 6:38

Why do YOU give?

Electronic Options

Go Green! Save Postage Money!
Get timely updates!
Contact Neida to enroll!

• Join the CFUMC Group on

facebook

Go to your facebook page, click on groups at the bottom of your page, scroll to find the CFUMC group and join!

- **News:** Neida Streit, email: nstreit@cfumcga.com.
- **Giving:** Stacey Gravitt, email: sgravitt@cfumcga.com



Emotions Anonymous®
Mondays, 7-8:30 PM, #14
Questions? Call Ron Preuss
770-887-2900 x212

Rebuilding

Divorce Support Group
Thursdays, 6-7:30 PM, #13,
September 23-November 11

Rebuilding is a weekly seminar/support group for people who are in the midst of separation or divorce. Questions or to enroll, contact Pam Harrison: 770.712.3854 or email: pamelasuzanne92@yahoo.com

Circle of Hope

Grief Support Group
Tuesdays, 7-8:30 pm, #110,
Sept. 28-November 16

Circle of Hope is a weekly support group devoted to understanding the journey of grief. What does grief look like? What skills can be developed to help you cope? Registration and regular attendance is a must. Contact Rev. Ron Preuss, 770.887.2900 ext 212

Rainbows/Spectrum

Parent Orientation:
Monday, September 13, 6:30 PM
Sessions: Mondays, 6:30-7:30 PM
September 20-January 31

Rainbows/Spectrum is a peer support group for children and youth (K-12) experiencing a significant loss or change, such as death, divorce or remarriage. To enroll, contact Kristy Thompson, 770.887.2900 ext. 220

Families of Deployed Soldiers

Don't face the hardships of deployment alone – we are here to help. Contact Neida, 770.887.2900 ext 215.

Al-Anon

Mondays, 7-8:30 pm, #18

a weekly support group for families dealing with alcoholism.

Our Attendance and Stewardship

Sunday, August 29

8:45 am: 195 9 am: 389 11 am: 556

Noon Hispanic Service: 19
(Visitors: 127) Total: 1159

Sunday School

Children: 65 Youth: 26 Adults: 283

Total: 374

Hispanic Family Programs: 42

General Fund

Offering: \$30,820.57

Received to date: \$1,105,193.71

Debt Reduction (Bldg. Fund)

Offering: \$2,484.02

Received to date: \$144,490.74

Love Offering for Guest Musicians

Offering: \$1,574.00



CFUMC is a Stephen Ministry Church!

For more information, call Rev. Ron Preuss in the church office.

OUR STAFF

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Sound	Deryl Cape
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This Week at Cumming First UMC

Church Office hours: Monday-Friday, 8:30 am-4:30 pm, (770) 887-2900

Sunday, September 5 - Acts 2:42; Luke 14:25-33

8:30 am - Bus Driver: Bob Rodecker, 770.887.1275
9:00 am - Lake Service - Bald Ridge Marina Outdoor Chapel:
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No Coffee and...
9:45 am - Sunday School for all ages
11:00 am - Worship Service - Sanctuary
12:00 Noon - Hispanic/Latino Worship Service - Student Center

Monday, September 6 - Jeremiah 18:1-11

CFUMC OFFICES are closed for the holiday
7:00-8:00 pm - Al Anon - #18
7:00-8:30 pm - Emotions Anonymous - #14
7:30 pm - Boy Scout Troop 62 - Young Deer Creek Park on Lake Lanier: 7300 Heard Rd • Cumming, GA 30041

Tuesday, September 7 - Psalm 139

8:30-1:30 pm - ESOL - #10
8:30 am-4:00 pm - Intercessory Prayer Ministry - #110
9:30 am-2:30 pm - Bazaar Workshop - #109
1:30 pm - Staff Meeting - Library
2:30-6:00 pm - After School Program - Elementary Pod
5:00-8:00 pm - Football/Cheerleading Practice - Recreation Field
6:00 pm - Volunteers Work in Food Pantry Garden - Cane Creek
6:00-9:00 pm - Plaza Comunitaria - Student Ctr/ESOL - #10, 14, 20
6:30 pm - Move Food Pantry to rooms #18, 19, 20
7:00-8:00 pm - Scouts - Scout Hut

Wednesday, September 8 - Philemon 1-21

8:30-1:30 pm - ESOL - #10
9:00-11:00 am - Food Pantry - #18, 19, 20
12:00 - Service of Holy Communion - Sanctuary
2:30-6:00 pm - After School Program - Elementary Pod
6:00-9:00 pm - ESOL - #10
6:30 pm - Psalms Bible Study - Sanctuary
6:30-8:00 pm - The Well Bible Study for Youth - Student Center
7:00-9:00 pm - Men's Emmaus Gathering - #18

BSA Troop 62 Summer Events:

September – 20 mile Hike of King's Mountain, SC/OA Pow-Wow
October – Camp-o-Ree/Camp Rainey Mtn COPE Course and Rifle Range
November – Backpacking in Chattanooga – Blue Beaver Trail
Questions? Contact Greg McFarling, 678.522.6243



Thursday, September 9 - 2 Timothy 4:5-18

6:30-7:30 am - Men's Breakfast and Bible Study - Student Center
8:30-1:30 pm - ESOL - #10
2:30-6:00 pm - After School Program - Elementary Pod
5:00-8:00 pm - Football/Cheerleading Practice - Recreation Field
6:00-9:00 pm - Plaza Comunitaria - Student Center/ESOL - #10, 14, 20
6:15-7:15 pm - Joyful Sound - #21/Chancel Handbells - Sanctuary
7:00 pm - UMW Executive Meeting - Library
7:15-9:00 pm - Chancel Choir - #21

Friday, September 10 - Isaiah 40:25-31

2:30-6:00 pm - After School Program - Elementary Pod
5:00-8:00 pm - Football/Cheerleading Practice - Recreation Field
5:00-9:00 pm - Folk Dancing - Student Center

Saturday, September 11 - Hebrews 11:24-40

8:00 am-2:00 pm - Upward Football Games - Recreation Field

Order your CD's or Cassette Tapes of the 8:45 am and/or 11 am service

at the information desk on Sunday morning. The cost is \$1 each to cover the cost of the media material.

Many Thanks to Larry Perkins (CDs) and Sky Williams (cassette tapes) for coordinating this important ministry.



Special Birthdays

We recognize our church members who are celebrating special (80+) birthdays in September:

Carl Edwards (13th)
Hal Olive (13th)
Helen Dempsey (17th)
Toni Smith (25th)
Win Johnson (26th)
Herb Metz (28th)

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