

Senior Ministries Newsletter

NOVEMBER 1, 2022



For information regarding Senior Ministries events or trips, or if you or a loved one are moving to a care facility, please contact Carli Burton at cburton@springfieldfirst.org or 217-793-9760 x111.

“He changes times and seasons...” (Daniel 2:21a)

AROUND THE TABLE ADVENTURE:

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP (AGES 55+)

Date: Thursday, November 10

Time: 9:30am - 12:30pm

Where: Rooms 5 & 6

Hosted by: Paul and Jan Ninmer

Hot coffee and treats will be ready when you arrive. We will have a devotional and then break out into groups to play games. A delicious hot meal will be served at 11:45am. Suggested donation \$7.00. Come out for fellowship and fun.

UPCOMING TRIPS: *Sign-up sheets and information are located by the West Atrium entrance on the South wall, or contact Carli Burton, cburton@springfieldfirst.org, 217-793-9760 x111. Please sign up and leave your check made out to SFUMC, which will hold your place.*

TANNERS ORCHARD IN SPEER, IL Friday, November 4

We will take a day trip to Tanners Orchard in Speer, IL, for their Christmas Open House. Our departure time will be 9:00am. We will shop (they have the most unique gift items), sample foods and have lunch, plus enjoy their outside area if weather permits. Our stop on the way back home will be at Russell Stover's Chocolates in Lincoln. (They have delicious hand-dipped ice cream!) Cost is \$10.00 for gas. Your meal and purchases are on your own.

Please sign up in the Atrium.

Seating is limited, and, because of the popularity of this trip, we will carpool.

BARN III THEATER, Thursday, December 1

Our Christmas trip will be to The Barn III Theater where we will have a delicious meal served to us and then enjoy the Show “Christmas: Past, Present & Future”. Delve into the sights, sounds and traditions of the Christmas season with this brand-new holiday revue of music, comedy, and audience participation. Revel in the celebrations of Christmas past, present and future which all lead to the same conclusion - that faith, love and the spirit of giving are universal and timeless! Join us and steep yourselves in the joy of the season. We will take a luxury coach and depart at 4:15pm. Cost is \$82.00 for luxury travel (let off and picked up right at the door), served meal, drink, dessert, tax, and show.

Have you tried any of our Sunday morning classes? They are the ultimate (and original) small group experience.

The following classes include seniors:

Sundays, 9:15-10:15am

-Berean, Room 4

-IBT, Room 1*

Sundays, 9:00-10:00am

-Christian Perspectives,
Conf. Room A (old Bookstore)*

-Couples & Families, Room 5/6

-Great Expectations, Room 7*

-Up 'n' Comers, Room 2*

Sundays, 10:15-11:30am

-Spectrum, Room 5/6

*New rooms beginning Nov. 6

Do You Know?



We have an **assisted parking** ministry and we invite you to use it. It is staffed by wonderful volunteers from our congregation. The purpose of the ministry is to be of assistance to those who have mobility challenges of any kind or during slippery pavement making unsure footing. Our goal is to make your worship experience at First United Methodist Church the best it can be. The parking ministry will be available 15 to 20 minutes prior to the traditional service and 10 to 15 minutes following the traditional service on Sunday mornings. Just pull up under the east canopy door and exit your vehicle. **No prior notice is needed.**

...WHAT THE BENEFITS OF SMALL GROUPS ARE?

1. Small groups foster close relationships and integral community.
2. Small groups provide a comfortable introduction for nonbelievers to the Christian faith.
3. Small groups provide an ideal way to care for the needs of people within the church.
4. Small groups provide a way for Christians to live out their faith instead of merely hearing more preaching or teaching.
5. Small groups participate in focused prayer for one another.
6. Small groups provide a comfortable atmosphere for openness.
7. Small groups allow for mutual edification among believers.
8. Small groups encourage better learning.
9. Small groups provide a source of encouragement and accountability.
10. Small groups help to cultivate leadership within the church.

DEATHS

*Please hold in prayer the family of:
Marny Brozio 9/24*



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WEEKEND WORSHIP EXPERIENCES

Sunday 9:00am Contemporary (CLC) 10:30am Contemporary (CLC) 10:30am Traditional (Sanctuary)