

# The Hallelujah

Here's the good news!

November 2021



Mark your  
calendar

November 1  
Church Council Meeting  
6:00 p.m. Room SC114

November 6  
UMW Purse Party  
1:00 p.m. Spirit Center

November 7  
All Saints Day Celebration  
11:00 Service

November 11  
Church Office Closed  
Veterans Day

November 24,25  
Church office Closed  
Thanksgiving

November 28  
1st Sunday in Advent

## NOVEMBER - UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION MONTH

After almost 2 years of full and partial shut-down, our church directory needs updating. We have designated November as *Update Your Information Month* and would like everyone, especially our new members, to take advantage of this opportunity to have a new picture taken for the directory. We will be taking pictures outside on the porch of the Joy Center between services each Sunday in November. Our directory pictures are one way that we can all get to know each other.

If you don't have the on-line Church Directory already on your electronic device (phone, tablet, computer), call Julie at the church office (251-943-4393) on Monday or Wednesday and she will send you a link and a password to give you access. If you prefer, after we update all the pictures and information, probably in December, we can provide you with a hard copy of the directory.

We are emailing the Hallelujah to everyone with an email address this month to allow everyone to update their preference of email or regular print mail for the newsletter. Simply send an email to or call the church office with your preference ([office@foleyumc.org](mailto:office@foleyumc.org)).

This is also a chance to update any other information that may have changed during the pandemic such as email, phone numbers or addresses. Please help us to keep the directory as current as possible. You can also update your information by filling out the Yellow Card during Sunday services.

FOLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CONNECTION CARD

1st-time guest  
2nd-time guest  
Regular attendee  
Member

Change in contact information  
Add me to the e-news list  
I am a seasonal resident  
I have kids (high school or younger) living at home

State: Zip: Apt.:  
mobile: ( )  
How did you hear about Foley UMC?  
(Name of person who invited you, postcard, email, newspaper, etc.)

Place this card in the offering plate when it is collected. Thanks for worshipping with us today!

Remember to check the box "Change in contact information" to alert the office that there is a change on the card.

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## WORSHIP NOTES



### **Celebrate All Saints Day Sunday, November 7 in the Sanctuary at 11:00**

From the early days of Christianity, there is a sense that the Church consists of not only all living believers, but also all who have gone before us. For example, in Hebrews 12 the author encourages Christians to remember that a “great cloud of witnesses” surrounds us encouraging us, cheering us on. On All Saints Day we remember all those—famous or obscure—who are part of the “communion of saints”. On Sunday, November 7th we will celebrate the lives of those members who have gone before us since All Saints Day of 2020.



### **Cardboard Testimonies in the The Well at 9:30 and Sanctuary at 11:00 Sunday, November 21, 2021**

If you could sum up your thanks of what God has done in your life ... What would it be?

Well, that is what Cardboard Testimonies ultimately try to do. They are a highly visual, often moving, way of briefly sharing the story of God’s hand working in one’s life. With a simple piece of cardboard and a marker, you can write one or two phrases that explains what you are struggling with. On the reverse side of the cardboard, you write the outcome of God’s greatness and how God has changed that experience for the better. For ideas on your testimony check out <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=RvDDc5RB6FQ>

Let’s commit November to being thankful in all things!!

*Rev. Chris Kelley*



Come and help the choir make a joyful noise on Sunday mornings! We have spots available for you. Join us for Choir Practice. We will meet November 8th and 22nd at 6:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Coming up in December: Keyboards at Christmas on Sunday, December 5 in the Sanctuary with Sheila Schoen, Irene Walker and Sherrie Brewer, and “Evensong” with the Chancel Choir on Sunday, Dec 12.



## WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP FEED THE HUNGRY IN FOLEY?

Our church, through The Table, continues to support the FUMC Blessing Box located in our parking lot. We will be joining the Blessed to be a Blessing Boxes of Baldwin County on Facebook.

We are looking for volunteers, or a Small group or Sunday School class, to take one day each week to bring donations to fill the Blessing box or to fill the Blessing Box from the church pantry (For example Monday could be your day).

When the Blessing Box is filled, a picture should be taken (if possible) to send to Kate Norris, John Simonson or Gail Edmonson to post on Facebook.

Please contact Pastor John at [jsimonson@foleyumc.org](mailto:jsimonson@foleyumc.org) or Gail Edmonson at [bgaile52@icloud.com](mailto:bgaile52@icloud.com) or (479) 586-4174 if you are interested in volunteering.

The rest of us can also help by bringing non-perishable food to the church to supply the church pantry so others can fill the box as needed. You can leave food donations on the cart provided by the church office and mark it "BB".

(Look for buy 1 get 1 offers, get 1 for you, & 1 for the "BB")



## LOOKING FORWARD

Starting in MID November, we will be collecting items for gift baskets for Police, Fire and EMS personnel. YOU can help by donating gift cards, Christmas type candy, fruit or desserts, cocoa, tea, coffee, etc. to fill the gift baskets. If you would like to provide a basket to be filled, contact Gail Edmonson for information on size, etc.

We plan to start a new program in January called "Dinner Groups". We hope to enlist current members to invite new members to lunch or dinner, or if the host feels comfortable, invite them to their home for a meal. Our aim is to help visitors and new members to "connect" and find a permanent place in our church family. If YOU would like to volunteer for this, contact Pastor John ([jsimonson@fumc.org](mailto:jsimonson@fumc.org)), or Gail Edmonson with The Table Missional Community ([bgaile52@me.com](mailto:bgaile52@me.com)) or 479-586-4174.





## KIDS MISSIONAL COMMUNITY THANKS YOU!

A "Spooktacular" time was had by all at the "Trunk or Treat featuring Touch a Truck Event" on Saturday, October 23rd. In case you missed it, here are a few statistics:

1000's - the number of pieces of candy handed out to the trick or treaters

497 - the number of Foley UMC Takeaway bags given out.

200 - the number of hotdogs consumed (thank you to AJ and his crew for providing the cooked dogs, chips and water)

28 - the number of Foley Church Members who participated

9 - the number of Trunks loaded with candy

4 - the number of "Trucks" along with crewmembers (1 firetruck, 2 police vehicles and a tractor)

Immeasurable - the number of kids of all ages who felt loved upon. Isn't that what we're all about?

This year's number of attendees surpassed last year's by 100% - so you know what that means.....be ready next year when the call goes out!

Thank you on behalf of the Foley UMC Kids Missional Community!







## REAL LIFE NEEDS LOVE NURSES

On October 28, the Real Life Needs Group assembled treat baskets filled with fruit, candy, prayer cards, well wishes from the congregation, and a few other items. These baskets were delivered to each South Baldwin Nurses station and the ER to thank the staff for the hard work they do caring for our community in these COVID times.



The 7 member team from Dacula UMC, Dacula GA, pictured here, stayed in our Spirit Center from October 10th through the 16th. UMCOR provided the money for the repairs they completed for some in our area still recovering from hurricane Sally. Thank you to all who provided soup and lunch items for the team.

## KIDSQUEST



Join us every Sunday at 9:30 for KidsQuest. In October, we will be learning about the connection between contentment and God's character. Join us for fun and bring a neighbor! KidsQuest needs volunteers for Sunday mornings! Can you help out on Sunday mornings? If you can give one or two Sunday mornings a month, please contact Debbie Wiist at [debwiist@gmail.com](mailto:debwiist@gmail.com) if you can serve on a rotating basis in our Sunday morning kids ministry! You will be blessed!

## OFFICE CLOSINGS



Please note that the church office will be closed on Nov. 11 for Veteran's Day and on Nov. 24-25 for Thanksgiving. Normal operating hours are Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. We are closed from 12-1 p.m. for lunch and closed on Fridays. The office phone number is 251-943-4393 and email is [office@foleyumc.org](mailto:office@foleyumc.org).

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## UMW EVENTS FUND MISSIONS

The UMW of Foley UMC invites all the women of the church to attend a fun filled afternoon in the Spirit Center on Saturday, November 6th at 1:00 p.m. This will be a chance for our ladies who attend different services to get to know one another.

There will be games with prizes and a silent auction for surprise purses. Dessert and beverages will be served with music provided by our own Jenni Simonson. A donation of only \$5 will get you in on the fun. See any UMW member for more information.

Childcare will be available. Please call the church office to reserve a spot for your children.



The United Methodist Women are collecting red and green coffee cans for their annual cookie sale in December (the empty cans are used to hold the cookies). Please drop off your cans to the church office!

It's time to begin gathering your ingredients for our cookie sale. We're asking each lady to make 3 large batches (9 dozen cookies), or if you prefer to make candy, we need 6 dozen pieces of drop candy from each lady, or if pan candy, a 9 x 13 pan, uncut. We will cut to fit.

We've missed lots of our normal events like Souper Bowl, which are mission fundraisers, so we're hoping to be able to help many special causes with our cookie sale. Gathering ingredients over the next couple of months will ease the burden of all at once. Thank you!





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## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



11/01 Jonathan Underwood  
11/01 Charlotte Mullins  
11/03 Peggy Parker  
11/03 Jessica Kelley  
11/05 Lyle Wiist  
11/06 Michele Mullins  
11/07 Gail Parris  
11/07 Larry Wygle  
11/08 Roland Ballow  
11/13 Jim Bayne  
11/14 True Rhodes  
11/15 JaNay Dawson



11/15 Elizabeth Griffiths  
11/18 Debbie Siemers  
11/18 Heather Harden  
11/18 Scot Radcliffe  
11/19 Robin Fly  
11/19 Sylvia Howland  
11/19 Cindy Fulks  
11/19 Amber Carnley  
11/20 Molly Norris  
11/21 Mary Ann Baum



11/21 Rebecca Parker  
11/23 Carol Scheffler  
11/25 Elijah Simonson  
11/26 Pam Yaeger  
11/27 Billy Dykes  
11/27 Grace Stanley  
11/28 Steve Graham  
11/28 Jenny McCann  
11/30 Dusty Cole  
11/30 James Owens  
11/30 Pat Rhodes  
11/30 Gene Stewart

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Barbara Beam  
Jack Brasher  
T.J. Brooks  
Bill Curtis  
Johanna Habisreitering

James and Judy  
Jackson  
Margie Kennedy  
Lt Camron Lowery  
Emery Martini

Gail Parris  
Sandra Roberts  
Betty Somer  
Pam Yaeger



The families of our Church family Members who passed away  
Michael Barnett (son of Maude and Joe Barnett)  
Kristin Cobb (niece-in-law of Susan Morrison)



## THANK YOU

Thank you to the ladies of Lydia Circle for supporting the South Baldwin Christian Church Food Pantry on Keller Road with your donations of food. Polly Pack



# Foley United Methodist Church

Reaching Up. Reaching In. Reaching Out.

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Sunday Nov. 7th  
fall back!

*Celebrating  
All Saints Day*

**Sunday, November 7, 2021**

**11:00 A.M. in the Sanctuary**