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May 29, 2016

***Early Worship Service
9:00am in the Chapel**

***Morning Glory
9:00am in the Fellowship Hall**

***Traditional Service
11:00am in the Sanctuary**

***Korean Worship Service
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June 5, 2016

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***Traditional Service
11:00am in the Sanctuary**

***Korean Worship Service
11:00am in the Chapel**

**Child care is provided.*

Mark your calendar

**50th Anniversary Sunday
June 5th**

****NEW** July Worship
One combined service
each Sunday in July
10:30am**

**** Story Hour** is for 2 & 3 yr. olds in Room 107 of the Children's Building from 11am to 12 noon.

Children's Church is for children ages 1st grade and younger in room 203. A leader will escort the children from the 11:00 worship service.

THE FLAME

First United Methodist Church, LaGrange, GA

"Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors"

Dear Church Family,

I had originally planned to write a devotional for this issue of the "Flame", but over the past few weeks Katie and I have been overwhelmed by the love and support that we have received from the First United Methodist Church family. So, I felt that it was only appropriate for me to take this opportunity to offer my thanks to all of you.

Last month a group within our church gifted me with my first clergy robe, which I will wear at my UMC commissioning service on June 7th. A few Sunday's ago Katie and I were given the proceeds from an offering taken up by some Sunday school classes to assist us with our wedding expenses. This past Sunday, we attended a pre-wedding reception in the MMC where we received your best wishes and gifts. Thank you for showering us with so much warmth and encouragement.

What's more, throughout the past few months I have received numerous congratulations from many of you in regards to my engagement, my commissioning, and my being appointed to LaGrange First as your associate pastor. I cannot begin to tell you how thankful I am for all the gifts that we have received as of late. What's more, I hope that all of you know that I am even more thankful for your friendship and support. You have helped to make LaGrange feel like home and that is a testament to your love and hospitality. First Methodist has been such an amazing part of my ministerial journey. When I came here five years ago as your senior high youth minister I never would have guessed that I would meet my future wife, graduate from seminary, and have my first appointment as a minister be here.

I am so thankful to be able to remain here with you for another year. I am so are excited about all the ministry that we will do together in the future. Finally, I am incredibly grateful to be your associate pastor and friend. Thank you for all you have done and continue to do for me and for our church.

Warmly,
Blake Trent



The church will be closed on Monday, May 30th in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday. We will not have Soup Kitchen or Meals on Wheels on the 30th.

Wednesday Evening Weekly

****Summer Schedule****

NO WEW Meal June 1st & 8th

YES to WEW Meals on June 15th & 29th

Watch for these menus in upcoming Flame issues

Serving times will stay from 5pm to 6:30pm

REMEMBRANCES RECEIVED

Memorials

Dr. James Doerr (Jimmy Doerr's Father) - Faye & Cliff Rainey

Mrs. Velma Parker (Robert Parker's Mother) - Faye & Cliff Rainey

Mr. Alex Scarborough - Carol Freeman, Adult Fellowship Sunday School Class, Margaret Camp, U.M.W. Esther Circle, Virginia Robertson, Jackie Huckstep

Honorarium

Betty McManaway- Adult Fellowship Sunday School Class

Lynda Petry- Ralph & Cynthia Murphy

Congratulations!

Catherine Emery, the recipient of the
2016 Richard Linch Memorial Scholarship

United Methodist Men

All men in the church are invited to the Men's Breakfast on Saturday, June 11th, at 8:00am in the small dining room. You will have a home-cooked breakfast and a program presented by **Chris Cleaveland**. If you have not attended before, this would be the perfect time to join us.



June's Thursday Lunch Club

Make plans now to attend the Thursday Lunch Club luncheon on **June 2nd** at 12 noon in the fellowship hall for a delicious meal and a very entertaining musical program presented by **Darian & Rachel Krimm**...all for only \$6 per person. Please call 706-884-4635 or email: churchoffice@lagrangefumc.org to reserve your seat and lunch.

UMW CIRCLE MEETINGS

June 13, 2016

Esther	10:00am	Church Library
Susanna	No Meeting	
Lydia	11:30am	Betty Johnson 108 Windridge
Ruth	No Meeting	
Elizabeth	11:30am	Betty Johnson 108 Windridge
Hannah	No Meeting	

June 14, 2016

Mary	3:00pm	Church Parlor
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FUMC Children's Program Summer Schedule

- JUNE Sunday School:** 10:00 a.m.
Children's Church, during the 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Service
- JULY Sunday School:** 9:15 a.m.
Children's Church for July 10th, 17th, and 24th during the combined 10:30 a.m. service
No Sunday School on July 3rd.
No Children's Church on July 3rd or July 31st

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Registration is now open! Please complete a form found in the church office, or go to this [link](#) to register your child for VBS.



Our Church's Mission at Camp Viola

June 20 - 23, 2016

We anticipate 50 rising 3rd, 4th and 5th graders to join us for our week of camp.

It takes a commitment from You to make this happen.

Please call Rick Free at the church or email him at rick@lagrangefumc.org to find out how you can best help this year. You can also be a big help by sponsoring a child. It is free to these children, but not for us. It costs approximately \$125.00 per child to send a camper to Camp Viola.

Every year our Camp Viola week continues to be one the best weeks in the life of our church family. Help us keep this ministry alive.

JUNE USHER COMMITTEE

Todd Vinson, Captain

Bill Fackler

Marc Huberdeau

Louise Horvath

Sherm Locke

James Emery

Matt French

Dorothy Cammon

Charles McLeod

Roger Allen

Tripp Penn

Bob Cammon

ALTAR GUILD

Susan Black, Chair

Lauranne Buchanan

Youth: Sophie Myers & Olivia Smith

Communion: Page Estes, Betty Johnson, Jennie Gordy

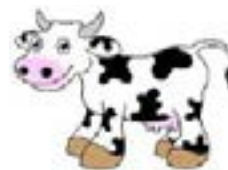
Anne Allen

Betty Johnson

Kim Myers

Jennie Gordy

MORNING GLORY: Caryn Cole



Camp Cowpie is Just Around the Bend

Cub Scouts rising 2nd through 5th grades are eligible to attend Camp Cowpie

**June 6th through June 10th
from 8:30am to 3:15pm**

Evans Farm (81 John Harris Road, LaGrange).

For registration forms contact your Cub Leader or Martha Evans at 706-882-8726, or come by the church office. *Non-Boy Scouts in this age range can attend by paying an additional fee.

*****Revised*** Sunday School and Re-Union Worship Sundays in JULY!**

***Do to constructive feedback from some of our church family, the Worship Committee has decided to hold 3 July worship services in the sanctuary. See the dates listed below.

Please take note of our special July worship and Sunday school times: Combined worship services at 10:30am each Sunday, Children's Sunday School from 9:15 to 10:15 each Sunday. Adult classes can adjust their meeting times if they wish.

***NO Sunday School on July 3rd.** Mark your calendar now and join us as we worship as one church family on each of these special Sundays!

July 3rd Fellowship Hall July 10th Sanctuary July 17th Sanctuary July 24th Sanctuary July 31st Fellowship Hall

THE BIBLE CLASS

(formerly Men's Bible Class)

Cordially invites all adults to join them each Sunday morning in the Bible Class room in the basement of the Sanctuary building.

Wonderful teachers (John Lancaster, Jamie Bradfield, Dr. Bill Fackler) and inspired songs from the Cokesbury hymnal makes this class very special.

June is OUR Food Closet Month

Our church is scheduled to provide volunteers for the LaGrange Food Closet, 416 Pierce Street,

June 2nd, 7th, 9th, 14th, & 16th from 12:45 to 3pm. It is ideal to have three volunteers to work together each time.

Please call or email the church office at 706-884-4635 or

churchoffice@lagrangefumc.org to

volunteer your time to this important outreach ministry.

We need men to volunteer as well!



The S.O.U.L. Group- Survivors of Unexpected Loss

Losing a loved family member or friend through suicide is a devastating and tragic loss for a survivor. Not knowing what to do, where to turn, or who to speak with after such a loss was a problem that survivors faced in our community. For that reason, the S.O.U.L. Group was created by a few survivors of suicide to help in the grieving and healing process. By understanding and sharing stories of loved ones lost, the group is a support system for survivors. This group is sponsored by our Church's Congregational Care ministry.

The S.O.U.L. group's next meeting will be Monday, June 6, at 7:30pm in the FUMC Builders Sunday School Classroom, located under the sanctuary. The meetings are open to anyone in our community who have experienced a loss through suicide.

Whether your loss was a month ago or years ago, you are invited. Meetings are very informal--come as you are! No one is alone in his or her grief and with the help from other survivors, the healing process can begin! Please join us for an uplifting experience and support group!

For more information contact the church office at 706-884-4635 or churchoffice@lagrangefumc.org.



LFUMC SPONSORING "CHURCH ON THE HOOCH"

Sundays @ West Point Lake 9:00-9:45am, June 5-July 31

(Land Address) 2818 Antioch Road, LaGrange Ga 30240

(Water Address) Across the river from Highland Marina, at BSA Camp Frank Lumpkin, between buoys 50 & 51

This summer, LaGrange First UMC will be hosting a new ministry initiative on West Point Lake called "Church on the Hooch" each Sunday morning, June 5-July 31 from 9:00-9:45am. This will be a weekly experience on West Point Lake where campers and boaters may gather either in their boats or on shore for a casual worship service featuring songs, prayer, scripture and message.

Our worship committee needs your help with the following:

- Equipment set up
- Advertising...distribution of flyers (find these around the church and share with your friends)
- Social media management
- Financial Donations for start-up costs (memo: Church on the Hooch)

If you can help with any of these tasks, please contact Mike Wilson at mikelamar.wilson@gmail.com, or email your contact info to churchoffice@lagrangefumc.org so we can get in touch with you. In the meantime, please be in prayer for this important new outreach initiative for LaGrange FUMC.

Youth Ministry

Kali Grenus, Director kali@lagrangefumc.org or 706-884-4635 ext. 215

Let's Stay Connected...

Mid-High Connection – Select
 Wednesday at 5:30pm, gathering in the Mid-High Lounge.
 June 8th Game Night July 13th Nerf Wars
 June 29th Messy Game Night July 27th Bowling Night

Sr. High Citizens – Gathering at Homes of students, times TBD.

June 9th Holmes July 7th
 June 23rd Myers July 21st

August 4th



We have several opportunities to serve this summer! Be sure to sign up to help with these great service opportunities in our community. Check out the youth newsletter or contact Kali for more information!

**Camp Viola- June 20-23
Church on the Hooch --July 10th (Youth Sunday)
VBS- July 27-29**

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please call the church office.*"To Know and To Make Christ Known"*

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50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

If you *did or will* celebrate your 50th wedding anniversary
anytime in 2016, please call or email the church office at
706-884-4635 or churchoffice@lagrangefumc.org.



We want to add you to the 50th Wedding Anniversary Group and
celebrate with you on Sunday, June 5th, at the 11:00 Worship Service.

FINANCIAL REPORT 2016

Needed Weekly	\$ 23,617.49
Received Week 20	\$ 24,755.47
Received Week 21	\$ 13,181.05
Other Income	\$ 4,005.79
Total Received since last Flame	\$ 41,942.31
Needed YTD	\$ 495,967.29
Received YTD	\$ 460,147.67

ATTENDANCE, Sunday, May 15th

Sunday School.....	256
Worship Service.....	354

ATTENDANCE, Sunday, May 22nd

Sunday School.....	241
Worship Service.....	295



In response to church members who have asked...the
SPR Committee has reserved the church vans and bus
to take those want to go to Athens, Georgia on June 7th
to be present for Blake Trent's Commissioning Service.
The vans will leave LaGrange at 2:00pm from the
Trinity Street parking lot, stop for a light supper, attend
the 7:00pm service, and return around 11:30pm. All
you will need to bring is money for your food.

Seating is limited so if you are interested in going or have questions,
please call or email the church office at 706-884-4635 or
churchoffice@lagrangefumc.org.

SPR Committee; Ken Young, Chair

Calendar for May 29 - June 4

Sunday	* Nursery
*Worship Services	
*10:00am.....	Sunday School
Monday	
11:00-11:30am.....	Meals On Wheels & Soup Kitchen
	Church Closed for Memorial Day
Tuesday	
9:00am.....	Community Care
10:00am.....	Dulcimers Beginning Class
5:30pm.....	Orchestra Rehearsal
7:00pm.....	Boy Scouts
Wednesday	
11:30am.....	Soup Kitchen-Sack Lunch
5:00pm.....	Wednesday Evening Weekly
6:00pm.....	Women's Bible Study
6:30pm.....	Chancel Choir
Thursday	
9:00am.....	Community Care
9:45am.....	Prayer Ministry
12:00.....	Thursday Lunch Club
Friday	
7:00am.....	Men's Coffee & Prayer Group
Saturday	

Calendar for June 5 - June 11

Sunday	* Nursery
*Worship Services	
*9:30am.....	Sunday School
12:00.....	50th Anniversary Luncheon
Monday	
11:00-11:30am.....	Meals On Wheels & Soup Kitchen
5:00pm.....	UMW Executive Board
6:00pm.....	UMW Spring Banquet
7:30pm.....	S.O.U.L. Support Group
Tuesday	
9:00am.....	Community Care
10:00am.....	Dulcimers Beginning Class
12:30pm.....	Red Cross Blood Drive
7:00pm.....	Boy Scouts
Wednesday	
11:30am.....	Soup Kitchen-Sack Lunch
5:00pm.....	Wednesday Evening Weekly
6:00pm.....	Women's Bible Study
6:30pm.....	Chancel Choir
Thursday	
9:00am.....	Community Care
9:45am.....	Prayer Ministry
Friday	
7:00am.....	Men's Coffee & Prayer Group
Saturday	
8:00am.....	Methodist Men's Breakfast

OUR SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to:

Fay Riddle & her family in the death
of her aunt, **Mary Elise Aycock, May
16, 2016**

Laura Jennings & her family in the
death of her father, **Edwin F.
Rumsey, May 22, 2016**

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar Sunday,
May 29th, are placed by the
Lovejoy & Fritchley families and
dedicated to the glory of God, in
honor of **our nation's war dead**
and in loving memory of
Betty Holland Jackson, their
mother, grandmother and great-
grandmother, on her 90th birthday.