

GIFTMART



GiftMart is Dec. 3-6th. Handmade with heart, sold with purpose. GiftMart celebrates the creativity of local artisans while supporting missions that uplift women and children in our community. We are currently seeking Vendors. If you are interested, please scan the QR code on left to apply. QR code on right to pay vendor fee.

Apply by 11/19

GiftMart Times: Dec. 3: 4pm-9pm Dec. 4: 9am-2pm
Dec. 5: 4pm-9pm Dec. 6: 9am-2pm



Vendor Fee

CARD DONATIONS

Visiting Friends are asking for donations of cards they may use to send to those who are not able to attend church. Please drop any cards (including Christmas) off at the receptionist desk.

MATCH MAGIC FOR TILLMAN

Tillman House has been selected for a matching program through a grant from Cobb Community Foundation. To get details and make a donation scan QR Code.



STEPHEN MINISTRY

"Pull yourself together"...You've heard it a million times, but things just aren't coming together. You're still hurting. You need someone to listen and to care, without judging or pushing you to get better. A Stephen Minister can be this person for you. Contact Rev. Barbara Hatchell: stephenministry@smyrnafumc.org.

TILLMAN HOUSE RESOURCE CENTER

Times are tough for many in our community and the Tillman House is here to help! If you would like to donate diapers, hygiene necessities, and other items, please call us at 770-435-0851. We are open Monday-Thursday from 9am-1pm.

GREETERS

We have many opportunities to serve on Sunday mornings. We are currently **actively looking for Greeters**. If you would like to know more about being a Greeter, contact Amy Kimm, akimm@smyrnafumc.org.

Other servant opportunities include, Donut/Coffee Team, Altar Guild, Holy Communion Stewards, Acolytes, and Audio/Visual team.

CHURCH STAFF

Not sure who does what at the church? Have a question regarding a certain ministry? Just scan the QR Code and get a listing of our church staff and what they handle. Or email communications@smyrnafumc.org.



ANTICIPATING CHRISTMAS

IMPORTANT DATES TO FOR FUTURE EVENTS

December 10 - Sonshine Singers performance: 6:30pm

December 14 - God's Light Youth Choir Advent Offering: 4pm

December 17 - Tomorrow's Promise/HIS Kids Christmas Musical: 6:30pm

December 18 - Christmas Eve Traveler's Service: 6pm

December 22 - Drop-in Holy Communion / Live Nativity: 5-8pm

December 24 - Christmas Eve Services:

Family Candlelight Service: 11am

Modern Candlelight Service: 4pm

Classic Candlelight Service: 7pm

Classic Candlelight and Communion Service: 11pm

THIS WEEK AT SFUMC

Sunday, 11/16 - **Winter Coat Give Away:** 3:30pm, Welcome Center

Tomorrow's Promise: 4:00pm, A205

God's Light Youth Choir: 4:00pm, Choir Room

Advent Night: 5:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Monday, 11/17 - **Yarn Disciples:** 11:30am, Welcome Center

St. Benedict's Basketball: 4pm, Fellowship Hall

Pick-Up Basketball: 6pm, Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, 11/18 - **Girl Scouts:** 3:30am, A105

Mary Martha Circle: 10:30pm, A107

St. Benedict's Basketball: 4pm, Fellowship Hall

Girl Scouts: 6:30am, A205

Trustees Meeting: 6:30pm, A105

Stephen Ministry: 6:30pm, A102

Cub Scouts: 6:30pm, C-Hallway

Hand in Hand Workshop: 7pm, B209

Wednesday, 11/19 - **Wednesday Bible Study:** 10am, A102

Children's Choirs: 5:15pm, Various Locations

Cornerstone Lightning: 5:15pm, A205

Wednesday Night Dinner: 5:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Youth Bible Study: 6:30pm, C-Hall

Cornerstone Choir: 6:30pm, Choir Room

Instruments of Praise: 6:30pm, A207

Hand in Hand Workshop: 7pm, B209

New Praise: 7:30pm, Choir Room

Sounding Joy Handbells: 7:30pm, Bell Room

Thursday, 11/20 - **New Beginnings UWF:** 10:00am, Offsite

The Branches Bible Study: 10:00am, A107

Tillman Food Co-Op: 5:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Shirley Stewart UWF: 7pm, A107

Hand in Hand Workshop: 7pm, B209



November Calendar



Recovery Groups

For information about the recovery groups offered at our church, please click on the QR Code above.



Rev. Derek Porter
11:15am Classic Worship
November 16, 2025

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To get on our **churchwide email list**, scan QR Code.



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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



GIVING MADE EASY

If you would like to make your offering online, simply scan the QR code.

Making Disciples Who Make Disciples

Therefore, go and make disciples of all. Matthew 28:19

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

24th Sunday After Pentecost
November 16, 2025 • 11:15am Classic Worship

As the prelude is playing, please silently prepare your hearts and minds for worship. We kindly ask that you silence your phones.

PRELUDE

Barbara Kincaid

TRINITY CHIMES

WELCOME

Rev. Derek Porter

HYMN

* *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus* #514

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

* The Apostles' Creed #881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

* Gloria Patri #70
Glorry be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen

CHILDREN'S MOMENT AND DISMISSAL

What's In the Box? Creating a message from the unknown.
4 years (by Sept. 1, 2025): B106; K-3rd Grade: C204

HYMN

* *Fairest Lord Jesus* #189

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Jono Moehlig

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERTORY

May the Mind of Christ My Savior Cornerstone

DOXOLOGY

* ***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Kathryn Davis

MESSAGE

Cut Back

*John 15:1-8, Galatians 5:22, Isaiah 5:2

HYMN

* *Jesus Calls Us* #398

BENEDICTION

Please remain in your pews until the acolytes pass with the Light of Christ.

POSTLUDE

God of Grace and God of Glory Barbara Kincaid

* *Congregation, please stand as able.*

Associate Music Director: Patrick Wood
Accompanists: Barbara Kincaid, Rick Quinton
Ushers: Garry Harvil, Karen Harvil, Craig Moore
Acolytes: Jude Jager, Ayden Bivek

We invite our youngest members (8 wks - 3 yrs.) to join our nursery ministry; however, children of all ages are always welcome in worship services.

Reminder: This service is live-streamed and there may be a chance you and/or your children will be on camera.

ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES

We now have Assistive Listening Devices. If you would like to use one during one of our worship services, please ask for assistance in our Narthex (for the Classic Services) or in the back of the Fellowship Hall (for our Common Foundation Service). *Check to see that the location on the device screen is set to the correct room.*

PRAYING FOR

Amanda Schmidt, Becky Newton, Jeff Pickard, Tim Shannon, Patricia Shannon, Justin Van Broekhoven, the McKormick family, Colin Tibbs, Bill Mason, Ann Butler, Tanya McDonald, Andy Goodell, Betty Turley, Mary Haston Vest, The Evans family, Joe Stone, Esther Simmons, Michael Fuller, furloughed public health workers, Maxine Kirkland, Annie Walters, Daloris Ross, Kelly Buskin, Bobbe Pharr, Chris Bearden, Quinn Morse, Kay and Gene Cummings, choir members singing at Carnegie Hall.

Thank you so much for all of your prayers, cards, flowers, food and visits. You are the sweetest group of people, and I love you. Please continue to pray for my Tim, who is doing well.

-Love, Patricia Shannon

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

Join us Wednesday, November 19th, 5:30-6:30pm in the Fellowship Hall for this midweek meal. Menu will be published in the Monday email.

SPIRIT NIGHT

Thursday, November 20th, 11:00am-9:00pm. Join us for a **Spirit Day at Burger Crush to support our Children's Ministries!** Visit any time during business hours and let them know you are with SFUMC. **Burger Crush, Concord Road SE**

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE FOR TILLMAN HOUSE

The Fishers Sunday School Class is coordinating a collection of traditional non-perishable Thanksgiving foods to support Tillman House and help brighten the holiday for families in need. **During the Sunday School hour on November 23rd, the class will be assembling the boxes and would love your help!**

Your donations will make a meaningful difference—please consider contributing items like canned vegetables, stuffing mix, boxed potatoes, and more. **Please place donations in marked blue bins, outside the Fellowship Hall.** Let's come together to share the spirit of gratitude and generosity this season!

ANGEL WISH TREE

The United Women in Faith are once again sponsoring our annual Angel Wish Tree. The tree is located in the Welcome Center. Simply take a paper tag from one of the wooden angels and fulfill the wish listed. Please be sure to follow the instructions provided on the table next to the tree. This year, we'll be filling wishes for individual families as well as children from the Murphy-Harpst Children's Home.

WREATH FUNDRAISER

Greetings from God's Light Youth Choir! Our **Harvest & Holiday Wreath Sale Fundraiser is NOW LIVE!** It's never been so EASY to support our mission: just shop online and purchase (or gift!) these beautiful products, and 15% of the sale goes directly to helping God's Light fund the bus needed for this year's Summer Tour.

Back by popular demand - gorgeous Fall-themed wreaths have been added to this year's assortment. Perfect to send ahead if you are being hosted for Thanksgiving this year! Of course, there are plenty of festive Holiday designs to choose from as well. Scan QR Code to order. If you would like assistance ordering, someone will be in, the Welcome Center today after the service and in the Fellowship Hall during Wednesday Night Dinner.

HANDS ON CHRISTMAS

Saturday, Dec. 6, 9am-1pm, Join us for a day filled with creativity, laughter, and festive cheer as we make unique holiday crafts together. Cost: \$1 per ticket. Crafts range from 1-3 tickets. Your pre-purchased tickets will be available for pickup at the entrance desk on event day. Tickets are good for All Activities listed and the Candy Cane Cafe. Tickets can not be used for Gift Mart purchases. Scan QR Code for tickets. **Additional tickets may be purchased at the door. Tickets will be available soon.*

We need volunteers to assist the children with the craft projects. Contact Estee Lassiter: elassiter@smyrnafumc.org for more information about volunteering.

AN EVENING OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC

Sunday, December 7, 4pm, Sanctuary. Join this program brought to you by our Adult Music Ministry: Cornerstone Choir, New Praise, Sounds of Joy Handbell Choir and Instruments of Praise Orchestra. A nursery will be available (pizza for the kids).