

Welcome to
Tifton First
United Methodist Church
Contemporary Worship Service • 11:00am
September 17, 2023

Opening Worship

Rest On Us

O Praise the Name

The Jesus Way

Announcements & Greeting

Prayer Concerns & Offering

Message

Closing Song

It Is Well

Closing Blessing



Congratulations to Joe & Joy West on the birth of their granddaughter, Penelope Elinor Mangalea-West.

Join the Church

At Tifton First United Methodist Church, we invite you to join our church at any of our services. You may do so by one of three ways:

- (1) Profession of Faith in Jesus Christ
- (2) Transfer from another United Methodist congregation
- (3) Transfer from another denomination

If you are interested in more information about becoming a member, contact Rev. Chip Grantham (706) 570-3330 or seniorpastor@tiftonfumc.org. | Rev. Trevor Ward (478) 607-9003 or associatepastor@tiftonfumc.org. We gladly welcome you to our church family!

Prayer Requests

Members: Dale & Sunny Pflug & family, Jackie Martin, Judy Cole, William Byrd, Ron Evans, Sheila Carson, Martha Barrineau, Janet Conner.

Long-Term Prayer: Charlie Griffin, Roger Hobgood (Lavonia's son), Hoyt & Becky Vance, Christine Kennedy.

Shut-In: Mary Nola McCrea

Maple Court: Eleanor Giles, Jack & Ann Stone, David Sone, Christine Hannon.

Legacy Village: Roy Walker, Harry Barrineau.

THE OAKS AT SUWANEE CREEK: Jane Blasingame.

FRIENDS & FAMILY: Wendy Collins (Ann Taylor's niece), Gloria Manning (Marie Gann's friend), John Sapp (Tracy Malone's friend), Gene Botsford (Dale Pflug's friend), Martha Fleming (Tom Shoup's aunt), Lisa Ashcraft (Jill Roberts' sister), Drama Norton (Jo Windom's mother), Ginny Flowers (Jackie Martin's daughter), Cade Johnson (Gibbs & Diane Patrick's nephew), Joel Ethridge (J. Michael & Teresa Moore's son-in-law & Virginia Hatcher's nephew), Reece Watson (Jerri Davis' grandson), Nicholas Horne, Tommy Smallwood (Dale and Sunny Pflug's friend), Amy Meeks (Carolyn Kightlinger's friend), Elena Kang (Carolyn Kightlinger's great niece), **PLEASE REMEMBER** to call the church office with an update on those you've placed on the prayer list **OR** if you are admitted to the hospital so we are aware of your hospitalization and to keep our prayer list accurate.

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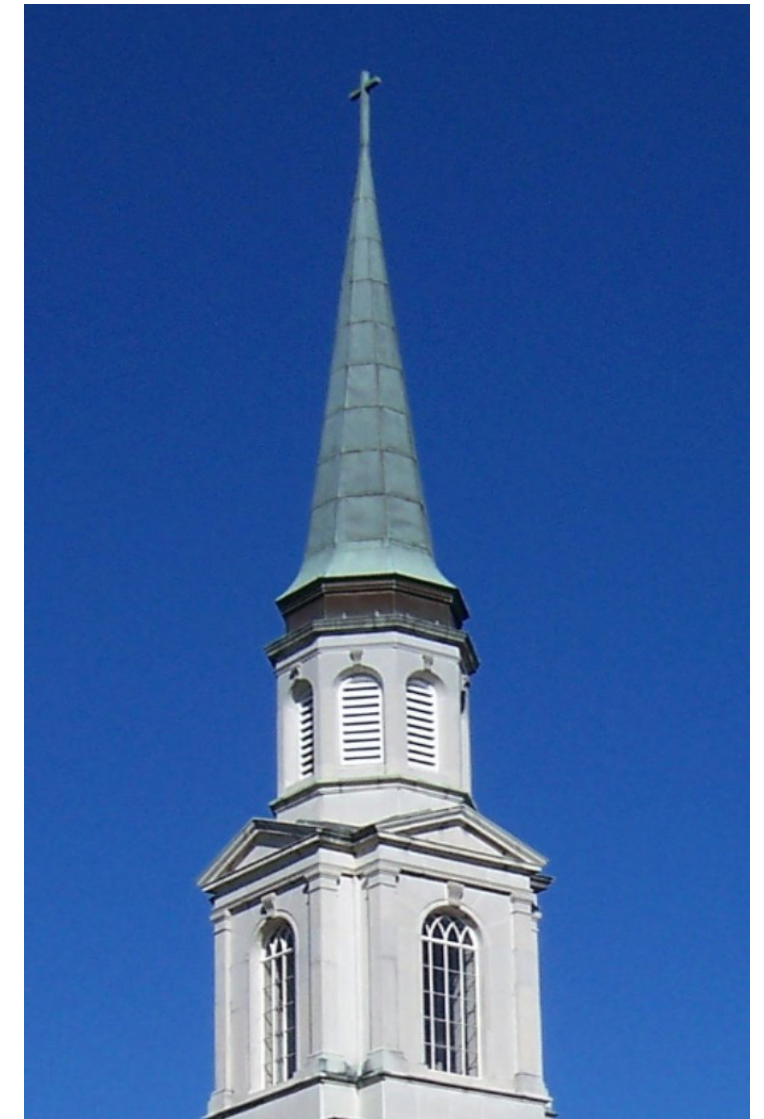
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Becky Rogers, Church Organist

Kendra Gannaway, Church Pianist

TIFTON FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Faithful to SCRIPTURE
Creative in MINISTRY
Passionate for OUTREACH
Offering CHRIST to ALL

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This is a Stephen Ministry Church

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

September 17, 2023
Sanctuary • 9:00am & 11:00am

- Prelude** Becky Rogers
- Chiming of the Hour** (11:00) Becky Rogers
- Welcome & Announcements**
(Please fill out attendance Pew Pads)
- *Hymn** MH #365 *“Grace Greater than Our Sin”*
- *Affirmation of Faith**
- *Gloria Patri** (#70)
- *Greeting Time** *“The Family of God”*
- Morning Prayer / 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.
- *Hymn** (11:00) MH #140 *“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”*
- Offertory** Kendra Gannaway
- Doxology** #95
*“Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.”*
- Children’s Moment**
- Choral Anthem** (11:00) Chancel Choir
“O My Soul Will Rest on Jesus”
- Scripture** Matthew 18:21-35
- Sermon** *“Parables of Jesus”* Rev. Chip Grantham
“Unmerciful Servant”
- *Hymn** MH #357 *“Just As I Am”*
- *Benediction**
- *Postlude** Kendra Gannaway
- *Please stand as able**



The flowers are placed on the altar in honor of the 29th Wedding Anniversary of Chip and Stephanie Grantham.

On the Sunday you place flowers in the church, you can take them after the worship service or let Debbie know if you would like to donate them to our shut-ins.

Ways to Give

Text to Give

TFUMC Give \$(any dollar amount) to 73256
Messages and Data rates may apply.

For example, a \$50 gift would look like this:

TFUMC Give \$50

Give Online at:

www.tiftonfirst.org/give

Mail a check to:

Tifton First United Methodist Church
107 12th Street W
Tifton, GA 31794

Sunday, September 17

9:00am Traditional Worship / Sanctuary
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Contemporary Worship / SH
11:00am Traditional Worship / Sanctuary
5:00pm Youth Worship / AC

Monday, September 18

5:45pm Wesley Ringers Rehearsal / Bell Room
6:00pm Lay Leadership Meeting / Parlor
7:00pm Orchestra Rehearsal / SH

Tuesday, September 19

8:30am Fitness Class / AC
10:00am Circle 2 / Parlor
12:30pm Red Cross Bloodmobile / SH

Wednesday, September 20

12:15pm Midweek Communion Service / Chapel
3:15pm Children’s Activities (Pre-K-5th Grade) / AC
4:45pm Children’s Choirs (Pre-K-5th Grade) / CB
5:15pm Wednesday Night Supper / SH
6:00pm Youth Activities & Bible Study / AC
6:15pm Bible Study with Chip / Parlor
6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room

Thursday, September 21

7:15am Youth Prayer Breakfast & Jesus / AC
8:30am Fitness Class / AC
10:00am Alzheimer Support Group / Parlor
11:30am Senior Adult Lunch & BINGO / SH
6:00pm Meals on Wheels Banquet / SH

Friday, September 22

Kidz Quest—Friday, 9/22—Sunday, 9/24

Sanctuary Servant for September: Judy Ross

Monthly Activities

- Club 55** - 1st Tues. at 11:30am in the SH.
Senior Adult Movie - 2nd Thurs. at 2:00pm in the SH.
Circle 7 - 2nd Tues. at 10:00am in the Parlor.
Senior Adult Lunch & BINGO - 3rd Thurs. at 11:30am in the SH.
Circle 2 - 3rd Tues. at 10:00am in the Parlor.
Red Cross Bloodmobile - 3rd Tues. from 12:30pm-5:30pm in the SH.
Stephen Ministry - 3rd Tues. at 6:00pm in the Searchers Classroom.
Caregiver Support Group - 4th Mon. at 2:00pm in the Parlor.

THE THINGS YOU DO

I am so proud to be associated with Tifton First United Methodist Church. The reputation that we have is incredible. No matter what may be going on, you continue to show up and set an example. I was working on the Charge Conference reports the other day and was blown away again by what you do. You are faithful in your giving – this church is in the best financial shape it has been in in years – thanks to you.

You continue to be the top giving church in support of the Methodist Children’s Home. You continue to be major contributors to Wesley Glen. You sent a mission team to Ecuador, hosted Annual Conference, hosted River of Life, supported Dr. Joseph and his efforts to the children of Kenya, and supported Will and Mary Bailey Smith in their ministry to the people of Chogoria, Kenya. You helped build a house in Jinja, Uganda and continued your support of John Rentz, and Cindy and Jerry Walker.

You help keep Herring UMC’s doors open and support their congregation and ministries. You help with feeding the people of Tifton through Backpack Buddies, the Soup Kitchen, Peanut Butter and Jesus, Meals on Wheels, and the Society of St. Andrew. You help with rent, utilities, and other needs through your support of the altar fund. You help feed our youth on Thursday mornings at their prayer breakfast and feed the football teams of both of our area high schools.

You support other area ministries that include Young Life, Bridges of Tiftarea, CASA, Ruth’s Cottage, Brother Charlie’s, Lifehouse, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, VSU’s Wesley Foundation, the Gideons, UMCOR, and Magnolia Manor and our area ministries to older adults.

You provide the means for us to carry out our own church’s ministries, as well as play host to so many different agencies and groups within this community – from Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Alcoholics Anonymous, Red Cross Bloodmobile, Upward, Chess Academy, the Y, Divorced Parenting Workshops, and countless others.

Thank you for your continued support of this church, and our efforts to go and make disciples near and far. Thank you for your witness in this community and around the world! Thank you for your gifts – they truly make a difference!

In Christ,
Chip



Wednesday Night Supper
5:15pm in the Social Hall
Menu for September 20th:

Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, English Peas, Carrots,
Congealed Salad, Biscuits & Desserts

Note: Please call church office for **TO GO** plates

Now hiring a nursery attendant for Sunday mornings from
8:45am-12:15pm, must be 18+ years old.

Please send resumes to childrendirector@tiftonfumc.org