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United Methodist Church
Marion, Virginia

December 2022



First UMC
115 S. Church St.
Marion, VA 24354
marionfumc.org

PLEASE NOTE.....

First UMC Financial Books for the year 2022 will close on **DECEMBER 31, 2022**

ALL contributions, tithes, offerings and monetary donations received after December 31, 2022 will be posted towards 2023 giving.

You can deduct your contributions in the year that you actually make them. (publication 526 IRS)



GIVING GUIDELINES

When giving at the end of 2022 & the beginning of 2023, please write separate checks for each year.

Please do not write one check for 2022 and 2023 together.

Thank you for assisting us in streamlining your giving.



2023 Commitment Cards

Please put your Commitment Card in the offering plate or bring it by the Church Office.

If you need a Commitment Card, extra cards are on the table outside the side sanctuary doors and the church office door.



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Christmas Eve Service

Saturday, Dec. 24, 6pm

Christmas Sunday Worship

One Service at 10am
No Sunday School

UGLY CHRISTMAS CONTEST!



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18, 9AM & 11AM
HOW THE GRINCH STOLE CHRISTMAS SUNDAY
POST YOUR PICS ON SOCIAL MEDIA AS WELL!



First Youth annual Christmas Project needs your help.

Every year the youth "adopt" 40 children from the Smyth County Santa's Elves program. These 40 children and their families receive gifts and food. This ministry happens because of the generous gifts from YOU. First Youth still needs donations to cover the cost of this year's gifts.

Please put your gift in the offering plate on Sunday, mail it to the church or bring it by the church office during office hours. Be sure to include "Christmas Project" on your check or envelope.

Upward Basketball & Cheerleading Sign-Up Deadline is January 2, 2023

Sign-ups are online at marionfumc.org/upward
Evaluations will be 1-8-23, practice begins 1-17-23. Games will begin on 1-22-23

COMMITTEE & MINISTRY MEETINGS

SPR Committee Meeting
Thursday, December 15 at 6:30pm

Combined-Called Meeting of the following committees: Administrative Board, Finance Committee, Permanent Endowment & Hull Fund
Monday, December 19 at 6:30pm
*Please make every effort to attend this meeting. We have several things to discuss.

First Youth Schedule

First Youth Breakfast Club	Thursdays @ 7:15 am	McDonald's
First Youth Bible Study	Sundays @ 6:45 pm	Fellowship Hall

First Kids Schedule

First Kids After School	Wednesdays @t 3:45pm	Fellowship Hall
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First United Methodist Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8:30am - 5:00pm	FRIDAY & SATURDAY CLOSED
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In observance of Christmas and New Years the church office will be closed on:

Monday - December 26
Monday - January 2



Merry Christmas!

From the staff at First UMC:
James, Laura, Ginger, Teri Allen, Bryan, Susan, Norman & Lilly

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