



Community Connection

Fall 2022

Pastoral Staff

Senior Pastor: Dr. David Grout

Associate Pastor: Rev. Matt Abel

Children's Pastor: Rev. Anna Merlo

Church Office: 859-371-7961

www.florenceumc.com

Welcome To Florence UMC!

See www.florenceumc.com/live for more info. Please send prayer requests to doris@florenceumc.com or call the church office!



Opportunities for Service

It takes many volunteers on Sunday mornings for our church to be a friendly, welcoming place! Listed are some areas that you might be interested in serving:

Choir: Join the choir! Practice is every Wednesday at 7:30 pm. Contact Becky Morrison: becky@florenceumc.com

Ushers and Greeters, Coffee Ministry:

Contact Christy Blundy to be put on the schedule
Christy@florenceumc.com

AV Tech/Camera or Slide operator:

Contact Val Holland: kentuckysatellite1@gmail.com

Opportunities for Fellowship

Crafters, Quilters and Sewing Enthusiasts

Crafters, quilters and sewers are invited to bring projects to work on as they share time together every 1st Wednesday of the month! This group will meet in U23 12:30-2 pm. For more information, contact Shirley Goodman: 502-693-2040 or sgoodman5815@gmail.com

United Women in Faith (formerly United Methodist Women)

Wesleyan Women 2nd Tuesday of month at 7 p.m.
Circle of Faith meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at noon

Highlights of 180th Birthday!



We recently celebrated our church's 180th birthday! Pictured from left to right: Pam & David Grout, Galen & Lisa Schmitt-Evans, Owen & Ann Dolin, Tammy & Gary Gibson. We had a wonderful time reminiscing and enjoying food and fellowship! A few of us shared our favorite things we love about our church family:

"Night to Shine and VBS"—Michelle M.

"I love singing with the choir for Christmas Cantata!"—Leslie W.

"I love our church Thanksgiving Dinner."—Anna M.

"The support and love from my family."—Bob N.

"The dedication to help others."—Amy J.

"I love how people are so friendly and how I'm given opportunities to be involved."—Kerry T.

Touching Lives...Making a Difference!

Opportunities to Give

Items Needed

Ida Spence is currently in need of laundry soap, basic hygiene products, etc. Email Gina Snavelly: Ginac.idaspence@gmail.com

SNL Food Pantry Needs: Fruit cups, peanut butter, canned pasta, toilet paper, Pop Tarts, bottled water.

Be Concerned: (United Ministries) canned goods, cereals, laundry detergent.

Mountain Mission Truck October 4th-

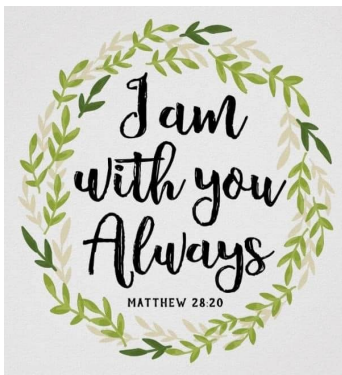
Items can be dropped off in the Gathering Place Coat Closet beginning Sunday, October 2nd through Monday, October 3rd from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please put your items in boxes to allow for proper loading and placement in the truck. Emergency Needs: Women's, Men's and Children's Winter Clothes · Shoes/Boots, · Socks & Underwear Plus-Size Clothes · Good Pots n' Pans, Housewares, small appliances.

Operation Christmas Child

Consider filling a shoe box with toys & items for the many children at Christmas time! More details to come in the next few weeks. Filled Shoe Boxes due by Nov 6

IDA SPENCE MISSION Annual Fundraiser Nov 5th

6:30pm at Immanuel UMC, 2551 Dixie HWY, Lakeside Park



Calendar of Events

Oct 2: World Communion Sunday

Oct 9: Worship Night

Oct 14: Mark Bishop Concert

Oct 21: Movie Night

Oct 23: Membership Inquiry Class

Oct 29: Trunk or Treat

Oct 30: Future of the Church info meeting 7 pm

Nov 13: Churchwide Thanksgiving Dinner

Nov 20: Hanging of the Greens

Nov 24: Thanksgiving Day Office Closed

Nov 27: 1st Sunday in Advent

If you have anything you would like to submit for the next edition of the Community Connection, please submit it to the desk of Doris Daugherty (doris@florenceumc.com) **no later than Oct 25.**

Thank You Notes

Thank you for your donations of canned items to SNL Food Pantry Ministry. It's wonderful to know there are so many generous and thoughtful people. From: Amy Joslin, SNL Food Pantry Coordinator

Thanks Christy Blundy for organizing the birthday events!

Thank you to Pam Grout and volunteers for cleaning our preschool playground area and beautifying the landscape!

Thanks to the Youth Group for spreading mulch in the playground area for the preschool!