

UPCOMING EVENTS

Come to the Table

Our menu for this Wednesday, Oct. 15, 2025 is pizza and applesauce. It is provided by Hospitality Committee and Women’s Bucket Buddies. Meal is 5:30pm-6:30pm.

6:35 Food Pantry Appreciation Dinner

There will be an Appreciation Dinner for anyone that has ever helped with the 6:35 Food Pantry, past and present. It will be held on Tuesday, October 14, 2025 at First Church of God. Please let Sue or Megan at the church office know if you would like to attend.

WJLY Fall Festival

WJLY Christian Radio will hold their Fall Festival on Saturday, October 18, 2025 from 11:00am-3:00pm. Postcards with all the information are on the Welcome Center in the Narthex.

Trivia Night

Centerpointe Church will be holding a Trivia Night and Dessert Silent Auction on Friday, Oct. 24, 2025 at 5:30pm. The cost is \$15.00 per person or \$100.00 per table. (max 8 people per team) Trivia will start at 6:00pm. A freewill donation will be collected for the meal. Please call the Vandalia Office to sign up at 618-283-8750.

Bucket Buddies Announcement

Thank you for all your donations so far. We are still in need of lounge/sweat pants for men and new men’s underwear for the “Giving Tree”.

All Saint’s Day

All Saint’s Sunday is November 2, 2025. If you have someone you wish to remember, who has passed away since October 30, 2024, please submit their name, relationship to you, birthdate, date they passed and a picture of them for inclusion in the service. You may email the picture (jpeg file please) to vandaliafumc@outlook.com, or drop off a picture to the church office to be scanned.

Please submit this information by Wednesday, October 22nd, to be included in the service.

Stewardship Sunday

Sunday, October 26th, is Stewardship Sunday and there will be a brunch after service that day. A letter and pledge cards are available in the Fireplace Room. Please let the office know if You don’t receive one..

UMM Fish Fry

Get ready!! The United Methodist Men’s Fish Fry will be Thursday, November 13th, 2025 from 4:00pm—6:30pm, or while supplies last. (Drive-thru only)

Operation Christmas Child

There are still some Operation Christmas Child Boxes available in the Fireplace Room. Please return by October 27th. God bless you all!

Thank You!

Mere words cannot begin to express my overwhelming gratitude I have for all of you! I appreciate your concern and many prayers that were offered for me, as well as the kind encouraging words! God definitely answered those prayers! I greatly appreciate the Prayer Shawl that was given to me also. It is my favorite color too! I will forever keep it and remember the kindness that was shown by all of you!

Thank you so very much!

Tammy Summers-Moreland

THIS WEEK’S ACTIVITIES

Monday, October 13

Church Office Closed for Columbus Day

Tuesday, October 14

8:00am, Pickleball

4:15pm, Praise Team Practice

Wednesday, October 15

10:00am, Endowment Meeting

2:00pm, **NO** Pastor’s Bible Study

4:30pm, Choir Practice

5:30pm, Come to the Table

6:00pm, Handbell Practice

6:00pm, Youth Group

Thursday, October 15

8:00am, Pickleball

Happy Birthday!

12—Les Vaughan

14—Sandy Stombaugh

Scott Vieregge

15—Pete Burnam

Sue Burnam

16—Shannon Lurkins

16—Michelle Miller

17—Nolan Arndt

Happy Anniversary!

12—Alex & Samantha Schwarm (12 years)

14—Pete & Retha Burnam (18 years)

16—Josh & Trisha Miller (26 years)

18—Todd & Shelley Metzger (22 years)

First United Methodist Church

Vandalia, Illinois

Pastor Curtis Flake

October 12, 2025



Announcements		
Prelude	<i>What A Friend We Have in Jesus</i>	Judy Roberts
Call to Worship		
Opening Songs	<i>Raise A Hallelujah O Praise The Name</i>	
Children’s Lesson	(Children leave for Kingdom Kids with Sharon)	
Apostles’ Creed	UMH 881	
Anthem	<i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness</i>	Judy Roberts
Scripture Lesson	John 4: 1-30 (NLT)	
Sermon	“God Things” and “Life Changing Events”	Gene Schwarm
Hymn	<i>Just As I Am, Without One Plea</i> , UMH 357 (s. 1, 3, 5, 6)	
Doxology	UMH 95	
Prayers, Joys, & Concerns		
Prayer Song	<i>Cares Chorus</i> , TFWS 2215	
Moment of Silence		

Pastoral & Lord's Prayer	UMH 895
Closing Song	<i>Rock of Ages, Cleft For Me</i> , UMH 361
Blessing /Breakthrough Prayer	
Blessing Response	<i>Make Us One</i> , TFWS 2224 (Sing twice)
Postlude	



Online giving is available by visiting our church website: www.vandaliafirstumc.org, or you may scan the QR code with your phone.

Worship Leaders

Greg Fulk/Rand Craycroft, **Head Ushers**
, **Usher**
Trevor Clark, **Acolyte**
Barb McCart, **Greeters**
John Burnam, **Liturgist**
Sarah Vu, **Minister of Praise Music**
Taryn Flake, **Choir Director**
Sue Miller, Jody Burnam, Kathy Taylor,
Praise Team
Deb Cook, **Song Leader**
Pastor Curtis, **Acoustic Guitar**
Dawn Rosborough, **Keyboardist**
Charlie Mills, **Drummer**
Bill Warner, **Bus Driver**
Kim Warner, **Bus Rider**
Sandy Stombaugh, **Bus Greeter**
Travis Clark, **Video Tech**
Rick Eyman, **Sound Tech**
Gene Schwarm, **Offering Collector**



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Office Hours: 8:00a-4:00p (M, T, W, TH)
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