

THE JULY SPECIAL OFFERING GOES TOWARD

COUGAR HUDDLE TAILGATE



- **Tues. & Wed. July 21 & 22** | Packing supplies for Operation Back to School | 6pm – 9pm | Trinity Friends Church | Anyone is welcome to assist
- **Sun. July 26** | PreK – 8 Grade Operation Back to School | 3pm – 5pm | Fountain Park | Register through July 10, 2026 | Scan QR code for more information or to register
- **Wed. July 29** | **IGNITE Orientation Dinner** | 5:50pm | Calvary Evangelical Church
- **July 30 – August 1** | **IGNITE Van Wert 2026** | 7am – 7pm | Work on Projects; Share life with a homeowner for a day; Prepare, serve, clean up meals; Clean host facilities; Transport materials
- **Mon. August 03** | **First UMC Preschool Open House** | 10am – 11:30am | 5pm – 6:30pm | Find more at vanwertfirst.net/preschool
- **Thurs. August 20** | **High School Operation Back to School** | 2:30pm – 6pm | Goedde Gym | Register through August 19, 2026 | Scan QR code for more information or to register



GriefShare Trinity Friends & First UM Churches
hosting on **WEDNESDAY NIGHTS**
UNTIL JULY 22, 2026 | 6:00 - 8:00 PM at First Church - Scheidt Room

SHARE YOUR GOD SIGHTINGS

Have you had a moment this week where you saw the true nature of God?

Stop by Cristi's office and post your God sighting, and read about others' sightings. This is for all ages. Let's share how God shows up in our lives.

Food Pantry

July is
PEANUT BUTTER and
JELLY month

Crunchy or creamy, grape,
strawberry, raspberry

Please place your donations in the baskets located at the entrances.



Women's Bible Study

Meeting days

July 22 Aug 5 Aug 19

See Jana Thompson for more info

EVERY OTHER WEDNESDAY

1:30 PM or 5:30 PM

Will be studying the book of Psalms

SIGN UP IN THE WELCOME CENTER (in
Krout) or THE CHURCH OFFICE

Celebrate and Remember with Flowers

Want to honor a special person or commemorate a significant event? Consider providing an altar arrangement on an available Sunday.

The calendar is on the bulletin board in the kitchenette and ready for you to add your name to any open Sunday.

FIRST united methodist
CHURCH

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No, That's Not in the Bible



JULY 19, 2026

10:30AM

Pastor Craig Arnold

Our Mission, here at First United Methodist Church, is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who **Love Boldly**, **Serve Joyfully**, and **Lead Courageously** in our local community and around the world. Whatever your circumstances and no matter where you have been, you matter to God and to us. **You Belong Here!**

We pray your experience in our worship today will be one that blesses you and uplifts your relationship with Jesus Christ.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. Some people, eager for money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many griefs **1 Timothy 6:10**

PLEASE FILL OUT THE ATTENDANCE PAD AND PASS IT TO YOUR NEIGHBOR
+ THOSE WHO ARE ABLE, PLEASE RISE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS DILLON STAAS IV

PRELUDE *Sunday* | by Cornelius Gurlitt Op. 101, No 18 JEREMY STOLLER

+ CALL TO WORSHIP DILLON STAAS IV

Leader: Let us worship the One who gives true riches.
People: For Christ teaches us that godliness with contentment is great gain.
Leader: We bring nothing into this world, and we take nothing out of it.
People: Yet God provides what we need, and God's grace is enough.
Leader: We wish to turn from the restless pursuit of having more.
People: We seek the peace that comes from trusting God alone.
Leader: The first love of worldly possessions leads to ruin and sorrow.
People: But the love of Christ leads to life, joy, and freedom.
Leader: Come, let us worship the God who is our *true* treasure.
People: We worship with grateful hearts, content in His goodness. Amen.

HYMN #57 *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* | UMH V. 1, 2, 3, 7 GLORIA WENDEL

+ OPENING PRAYER DILLON STAAS IV

Merciful God, we come before You acknowledging our need for Your grace. We confess that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved You with our whole heart, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us for the pride that blinds us, the selfishness that drives us, and the fears that keep us from trusting You fully. Forgive us for the words we should not have spoken and the good we failed to do. Lord, cleanse us, renew us, and turn our hearts toward You. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Redeemer. Amen.

TIME OF GREETING DILLON STAAS IV

Cross out what you believe **is not** in the bible and **circle** what you believe **is in** the bible

"NO, THAT'S NOT IN THE BIBLE" QUIZ:

Eat, drink and be merry.

God will not give you more than you can handle.

Confession is good for the soul.

Like mother, like daughter.

Honesty is the best policy.

By the skin of my teeth.

Spare the rod and spoil the child.

Scan to Read more. Important Updates Regarding Our Church Communications.



CHAT WITH THE CHILDREN HANNAH KRANER

Children are dismissed to AWE - Preschool through 5 grade

+ SCRIPTURE **1 Timothy 6: 6 - 10** p. 1177

SERMON No, That's not in the Bible: **"Money Is the Root of All Evil"** PASTOR CRAIG ARNOLD

MISSION MOMENT *PLC WalkforLife, H2O, Cougar Huddle* TERESA SHAFFER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER PASTOR CRAIG ARNOLD

OFFERTORY *Great is Thy Faithfulness* | arr. Diane Bush GLORIA WENDEL

Place your Offerings in the Plates coming through the Pews | Children return from AWE

+ DOXOLOGY #94 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* | UMH GLORIA WENDEL

+ HYMN #130 *God Will Take Care of You* | UMH GLORIA WENDEL

+ BENEDICTION PASTOR CRAIG ARNOLD

POSTLUDE *Heavenly Sunlight* | arr. Diane Bush GLORIA WENDEL

Thank you for worshiping with us, and for your continued generosity and support.



LEADERS OF TODAY'S WORSHIP

PASTOR
CRAIG ARNOLD

SPEAKER

DILLON STAAS IV

CHILDREN'S CHAT

HANNAH KRANER

LEADER OF MUSIC

GLORIA WENDEL

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

SCOTT TURNER

WORSHIP LEADER

JEREMY LAUKHUF

VIDEOGRAPHER

KURT MASSILLO

USHERS

YOUTH

NEIL SHAFFER

DAVE LICHTLE, ASST.

PROJECTIONIST

NOAH KRITES

SOUND ENGINEER

KENT SMELSER

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MARY ANN FALK

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