Mainsail Newsletter October 2026

First United Methodist Church

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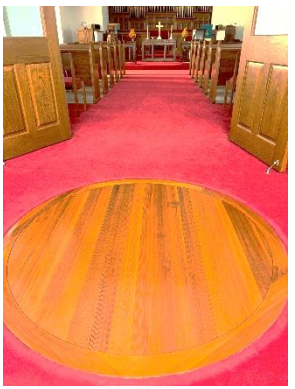
Dear Friends,
When I first entered the church in Cuero, I noticed the wooden circle in the Narthex. Having never seen anything like it before, my initial thought was that the trustees had simply gotten tired of replacing the carpet where the pastor stands to greet people—a pragmatic solution!

However, I soon realized how wrong my first impression was. Several members explained the true meaning of the circle to me, and I was given a copy of the "History of the First United Methodist Church 1876-2009." The last page sums it up beautifully:" The circle insert on the floor in the Narthex has a special meaning. Since 1886 people have been walking over these same floor boards. The building committee felt it appropriate to use a circle cut from the floor of the old church sanctuary and use it as an insert in the Narthex floor. We call it the 'Circle of Life.' We continue to walk over the same wooden paths our forefathers and mothers so faithfully trotted as we remember people of faith who worshipped here before us."



Our church's 150th anniversary will be celebrated November 7th & 8th. Let us take some time to remember our past, give thanks and then consider God's leading for our future.

Shalom,
Lindsey

Celebrating 150 Years of Faith, Service and Love

Save the Date

Open House

Saturday, Nov. 7

2:00 – 5:00 pm

Sunday Service

Sunday, Nov. 8

10:30am

Luncheon to follow

RSVP @ 361-275-5272

Leadership Council Meeting

October 18 @11:30am

Bible Study & Coffee

With Pastor Lindsey

Wednesdays @ 10:00am

Doodles Room

United Women of Faith

Potluck & Meeting

October 11

11:30am

Breakfast BINGO

October 12

9:30am

Fellowship Hall

Financial Information

September 2026

Revenue: $16,143.52

Expenditures: $17,562.15

Trunk-or-Treat

Saturday, October 31

Set-up @ 5:00pm

Start @ 6:00pm – 7:30pm

Around the DeWitt County Courthouse

Trunk–or–Treat has been a tradition for 20 years in Cuero. In fact, it started with a few cars in front of our church, with Emily Cheatham leading the way to making Jesus and God's love a shining light in the darkness of the world. Once again, we will be lighting the night with God's love on

We need CANDY!!

We will have a collection basket for candy donation in the Narthex or you can drop it at the church office (361-275-5272). I look forward to this exciting tradition and seeing what God will do.

Colette Barth

Evangelism

Operation Christmas Child

IMPORTANT DATES:

*Oct 25 – T-shirt Bag Making Party after Sunday Worship w/light lunch
*Oct 31 – Trunk 'R Treat 6:00pm – 7:30pm (set-up @5:30pm)
*Nov 15 – Shoe Box Packing Party - after church including light lunch
*Nov 22 – Shoe Box blessing during service

PRAYER REQUESTS

We are here to pray for you!

Ron & Shelly	Tom Cheatham	Euner Johnson
Carol Rau	Wendy McPhearson	Bob Barth
Rev. Wanda Ritchea	Rainey & her son TJ	Sarah & Earl O'Connor
Linda Thamm	Angela Howard	Manuel (Earl's brother)

Mildred Weldon	5th
Pam Zengerle	17th
Euner Johnson	19th
Pastor Lindsey Smith	20th
Darrel Foster	22nd
Daphine Eldridge	23rd
Jayne Cooper	28th

THANK YOU

We want to express our sincere thanks to those who contributed to the Parsonage AC Replacement Fund.

Thanks to your generosity, the new system is up and running, ensuring our building remains safe and comfortable for our Pastor and all who visits. We truly appreciate your support and your investment in the life of our church.

October Worship Leaders

DATE	***LITURGIST***	***GREETERS/USHERS***
10/4/2026 Communion	Tom Cheatham	VOLUNTEERS
10/11/2026	Sarah O'Connor	
10/18/2026	Colette Barth	
10/25/2026	Earl O'Connor	