

# Richmond First United Methodist Church

...growing disciples who make a difference

## February 4, 2024

### Welcome!

Are you visiting with us? Whether in-person or on Facebook Live, we welcome you to our worship services! We would love to get to know you and find out how we can best serve you.

### Connect

To get connected, talk to any ministry leader or call the church office at 859-623-3580. You may also fill out a physical connect card or online at [richmondfumc.org/connect](http://richmondfumc.org/connect).

### Worship

#### Current Series: Beloved: The Heart of John's Gospel

The Gospel of John is probably best known for the lengthy speeches Jesus records, especially those in which Jesus talks about his divine identity. However, the Gospel of John also records many of the most tender encounters between Jesus and the individuals to whom he is in ministry.

#### Today: John 5:1-15

Jesus encounters a lame man at the Pool of Bethesda and asks a puzzling question: "Do you want to be healed?" Everyone, including the beggar, believes that Jesus is talking about healing the lame man's legs. But what if Jesus' question is intended for those nearby, who will overhear it?



#### Hymns in Today's Service:

*Holy! Holy! Holy!* (#64)

*Blessed Assurance* (#369)

### HOW CAN WE HELP?

Assisted-listening devices are available. Ask a greeter!



**Childcare:** Birth to 3 years of age  
Opens 15 minutes before service

**Children's Discipleship:** 4yr to 5th grade  
Departs from the Sanctuary when announced during our service.

This Week: February 4 - 10

### Sunday:

- 10:00 - Traditional Worship
- 11:00 - Thrive Contemporary Service
- 12:00 - Fellowship Meal-Gym
- 1:00 - Sunday Bible Study-MMC 202
- 2:30 - Departure for Winter Jam
- 6:30 - **That the World May Know**-Sanctuary

### Monday:

- \*\* 10:00 - 12:00 - OPEN - MMC Rec Ctr
- 5:30 - An Hour of Prayer - Chapel
- 6:30 - Women's Ministry- MMC 202
- 7:00pm - 9:00pm - Pickleball

### Tuesday:

- \*\* 10:00 - 1200 - OPEN - MMC Rec Ctr

### Wednesday:

- \*\* 10:00 - 12:00 - OPEN - MMC Rec Ctr
- 12:00-2:00 - Pickleball
- 5:30 - Wednesday Supper
- 6:30 - **WEDNESDAY SMALL GPS**
  - **Surpassing Value of Knowing Christ** - MMC 203
  - **Genesis-Book of Beginnings**  
Main Conference Rm
  - **Heaven** - MMC 213
  - **Biblical Metaphors** - Parlor
  - **Children's Ministries**
  - **Youth Ministries**
- 7:30 - Adult Choir Practice
- 8:00 - Thrive Band Practice

### Thursday:

- \*\* 10:00 - 12:00 - OPEN MMC Rec Ctr
- 10:00 - Journey Bible Study-MMC 202

### Friday:

- 9:00-12:00 - Pickleball

### Saturday:

- 10:00-Biblical Metaphor Bible Class-Parlor

\*\* Based on Volunteer Availability

### Our Mission

After His resurrection, Jesus gave his disciples this mission:  
"...go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."  
(Mt 28:19-20)

Our purpose is to "grow disciples who make a difference."

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**Prayer Concerns and Celebrations**

To have your concern or celebration added to this list, contact the church office. **Requests will remain for 3 weeks.**

**Prayer Concerns**

- Scott Deyo
- Tristan (Yehor Vitel's brother-in-law)
- Dee Vitatoe (friend of Lauren & Savannah Thompson)
- Ison Family (pray as they grieve the passing of Jack; Pat continues to need prayers; pray for Mindy, their daughter, as she moves through this time)
- Connor Hadley (pray for him as he grieves the loss of his mother, Connie)

**Our Military**

- Army: Sam Lisle, Special Ops  
 William McCoy  
 Jason Glen, Hawaii  
 Tyler Anderson, Colorado Springs
- Marines: John R. Glenn, Quantico
- Air Force: Traver Harvey, Fairbanks, Alaska
- National Guard: Tom Petit

FUMC Budgeted Giving for 2024

\$704,953

Giving Needed thru 1/28/2024

\$54,227.16

Giving Received thru 1/28/2024

\$48,013.77

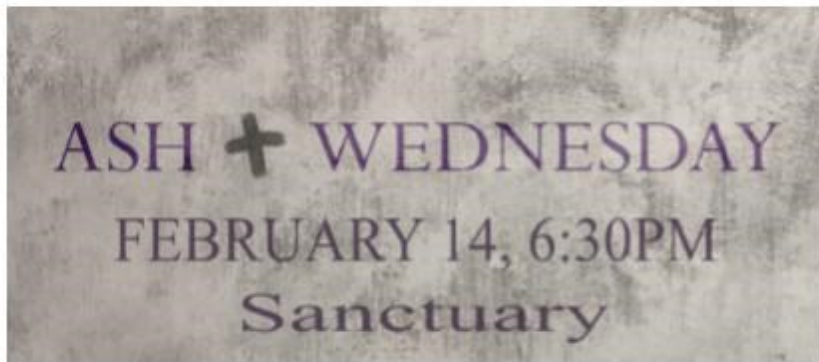
*Thank you for your continued faithfulness  
 in giving to FUMC!*

You may give to the ministries of the church at  
<https://pushpay.com/g/richmondfumc>

**Sharing Ministry**

**January**  
**Served 23 Families**  
**\$1,100.00**

**6 Books & 5 Stuffed Animals**



**An Hour of Prayer**  
 Mondays at 5:30 pm  
 MMC Chapel  
**ALL WELCOME**



**MEALS FOR WESLEY STUDENTS NEEDED!**

See Elizabeth Bendure - 859-893-1366

\*February 20 & 27

\*March 5 & 19

\*April 4, 23 & 30

**The Staff would like to THANK YOU for your generous Christmas gift. It was very appreciated.**

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