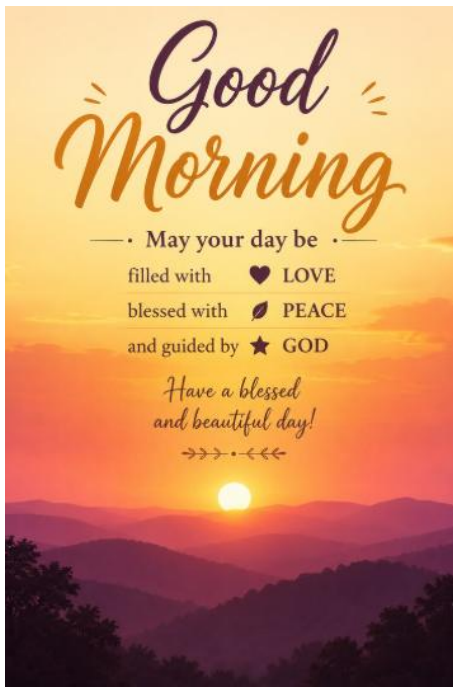




August 23rd 2026

Welcome! We are so happy you are joining us this morning and want to extend a heartfelt welcome! Please help us connect with you by filling out a connect card and placing it in the offering plate. We are honored you have chosen to worship with us.

Adventure UMC | August 23rd

Adventure UMC is a fresh expression of church that connects people to God and one another through outdoor experiences. Rooted in the belief that creation itself reflects God's beauty and presence, we gather in natural settings to worship, build community, and grow in our faith. We offer monthly gatherings that combine outdoor adventures with meaningful worship, reflection, and fellowship. Everyone is

welcome. Come join us as we experience the wonder of creation and discover how faith can thrive in the wild! **Our next outing is at Lake Carnico.** Meet at Winchester First UMC at 2pm to ride the van.

Youth and Children Events |

School has begun and we have lined up some events for our Children and/or Youth before we kick-off our Wednesday Night discipleship programs.

* **August 26th- 6:00-7:30** - Children and Youth Movie Night in the MMC- We will be watching: A Week Away

* **September 2nd-6:15-7:15** - Youth meet Eric Mucie at Irvine McDowell park for some Ultimate Frisbee. Let us know if you need a ride!

* **September 9th- 6:00-7:00** - Children and Youth prayer night in the MMC - Everyone will participate in interactive prayer.

Operation Christmas Child | Thru September 6th

We will begin collecting shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. This is one of the best times to start filling your boxes since all school supplies will be on sale in the coming weeks. You can bring your boxes here on Sunday or to the office throughout the week.

FUMC Women of Faith Outing | September 7th

Our Women of Faith Ministry Group is organizing an outing to Lexington. We will go to the Historic St Paul AME church. This church is a verified Underground Railroad site and is part of the National Park Service's Underground Railroad Network to Freedom. Let the office know if you are interested in joining. **EVERYONE** is welcome to come.

Wednesday Night Live (WNL) Dinners | September 16th

WNL officially kicks off for the Fall with dinner and an Ice Cream Bar (YUM!). Dinner will be lasagna/spinach lasagna, salad and garlic bread. Please bring your favorite ice cream to share. After dinner we will hold our Visioning Session (see below). We hope to see everyone there!

Dreaming/Visioning Session | September 16th

After dinner on September 16th, Dr. Tammy Coleman, Assistant to the Bishop, will be here to help us dream (envision) what we want our future to look like. We pray we will have a big turn-out for this event. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

Anti-Racism Training Opportunities | September 19th 10am -- MMC

The Kentucky Annual Conference is pleased to announce that registration is now open for our 2026 Anti-Racism Training opportunities. The training will explore: Cultural competency, building bridges across differences, Inclusive leadership, Mission and ministry in diverse contexts and Creating healthy communities of belonging.

This training is required for active clergy. Lay leaders and church members are also encouraged to participate as we grow together in faithful discipleship, reconciliation and communities of belonging.

Richmond FUMC United Women in Faith One Day Retreat | October 10th

Join us for a one-day retreat here at church in the Fellowship Hall from 8:30am to 2:00pm. The theme is *"Drawing Water - A Day at the Well"*. Cost for the retreat is \$25 which includes all supplies, breakfast and lunch. Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to attend.

100 Year Celebration

Richmond FUMC will celebrate its 100-year anniversary in our current location on Main Street in April 2027. Planning for the celebration is ongoing. Our committee is soliciting stories about our church. These stories could include significant memories of people, special events for your family or stories of how the church helped you through a time of need. Please limit your responses to about 250 words or less. That way, we will have enough room to publish the remarkable history of Richmond First United Methodist Church. You may respond by email, to centennial@richmondfumc.org, or by contacting one of the committee members. (Mike Park, Anne Brooks, Billy Way, Ken Peters, Sanford Jones or David Woolverton.)



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Richmond Community
Blood Drive

All donors receive a limited-edition T-shirt (while supplies last)

Thursday, August 27
10:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Richmond First Christian Church
Banquet Room
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Richmond, KY 40475

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