



Ellisville First Methodist Church

August 2025

From Bro. Mark

His Holy Day

There's an old saying that goes: *"Our great grandparents called it The Holy Sabbath. Our grandparents called it Sabbath. Our parents called it Sunday. We call it weekend."*

What about us? Do we share the commitment to attending church that we do for: Our club work? Our housekeeping? Our entertainment? Our jogging? Our business? Our family? Our football?

Jesus once said, *"Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."* (Matt. 6:21) There are a lot of things vying for our hearts, as this is the control center for life. This means that the things we give our time, talents, gifts and service to are the things our hearts will care about.

More than anything else, Jesus wants our hearts given to the Kingdom of Heaven. So, for heaven's sake, let us invest in regular church attendance. This is where our hearts are trained for the kingdom.

I came across this poem the other day. It's interesting how some of the greatest insights are written by Mr. Anonymous. I'd love to meet him.

WHERE WERE YOU?

"I came to your church last Sunday. I walked up and down the aisle.
I noticed your seat was vacant," said the Master, with a kindly smile.

"Yes, I was at home," I answered, "Some folks from up Salem way,
drove down for a visit, so we stayed in the house all day."

Or "I had an awful headache; I had a roast in the pan."
"We overslept this morning, but I go whenever I can."

The Master gazed at me sadly, as He was about to speak,
"My child," he replied, "Are there not six other days in the week?"

I saw I had grieved my Master, as slowly he turned away,
And I vowed he'd not find me absent again on **HIS** Holy Day!

--Anonymous

Where were you last Sunday when the Master came to Ellisville 1st Methodist? Can we count on you next Sunday? Hope to see you then!

Grace and Peace,

Bro. Mark

Volunteers for August

Children's Church

August 3 — Haley Walley
August 10 — Ashley Longwitz
August 17 — Ann Manning
August 24 — Marley Mixon
August 31 — Joanna Cooley

Audio/Visual Technicians

August 3 — Marley Mixon & Gary Herring
August 10 — Garrett Mixon & Gina Mixon
August 17 — Garrett Mixon & Marley Mixon
August 24 — Garrett Mixon & Gary Herring
August 31 — Garrett Mixon & Gina Mixon

Acolytes

August 3 — Suzanne Haynes & Kinsley Uldrick
August 10 — McKinley Manning & Merritt Cooley
August 17 — McClellan Cooley & Amelia Manning
August 24 — Whitley Manning & Archer Manning
August 31 — Mae Walley & Liza Endom

Weekly Schedule

Sunday

9:30 AM Sunday School for All Ages
10:45 AM Morning Worship

Wednesday Night Schedule

6:00 PM Prayer Service

Wednesday Schedule starting August 13:

5:30 PM Wednesday Night Supper
6:15 PM Prayer Service
6:30 PM Youth, Children, & Young Adults
meet at their designated rooms
7:00 PM Choir Practice

Awana will begin September 3.

August Meetings

Methodist Men - Sunday, August 3, 8:00 a.m.

Awana Leaders - Wed., August 6, 5:00 p.m.

Finance - Sunday, August 10, 8:30 a.m.

Children's Council - Wed., August 13, 6:00 p.m.



We thank each of you who helped by praying for, working at, bringing food, and giving financial support to the 2025 RAH Packing Event. We packaged 20,115 nutritious meals at a cost of \$8,300. Approximately 90 people from age 6 to 90+ years of age worked together in a fun filled joyous atmosphere led by John Corco to provide meals mainly to children who are truly hungry and are so appreciative.

We appreciate the financial support and the help in packaging of the six members of the Fairfield Methodist Church. They have partnered with us for several years. We also had super help from a number of family and friends of our members. This was our 13th packing event at EFMC and we have packaged over 248,000 meals.

Thank you to each of you who helped with: setting up the room; unloading and loading the truck; filling the bins; filling, weighing, sealing and labeling bags; packing and sealing the boxes; working in the kitchen; cleaning up; and the wonderful enthusiastic children who served as runners.

Let us as a church pray for those who will receive these meals. We will be notified as soon as these meals are received in a country.

If any of the children and youth need service hour credits for this, please check with David or Sandra and either will sign a form for you.

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Address Service Requested



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Suppers will resume on August 13 at 5:30 p.m. We will kick off our suppers with grilled hamburgers w/trimmings, chips, potato salad, and tea. The special treat will be a sundae bar with ice cream and toppings. The Worship Committee and the Church Life & Outreach Committee will serve.



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August Birthdays

1 — Donna Blackwell
4 — Charles Hollingshead
6 — Liza Endom
12 — Melinda Anderson
 Susan Juchartz
15 — Clarence Putnam
16 — Bill Juchartz
17 — Katie Stone
20 — Diann Walters
 Joann McKenzie
22 — John Thomas Haynes
24 — Stacy Thrash
26 — Jake Kyzar
28 — Merritt Cooley
30 — Gary Herring
 Joan Robertson
31 — Catherine Herring

Prayer List

Vivian Alsworth – Home with hospice
Kitty Bounds – Homebound
Shari Bryan – Cancer treatments
Terry & Marilyn Buckhault – Homebound
Sue & Charlie Coker – Homebound
Cathy Dean – Homebound
Mac Haynes – JCRH Rm 109
Joann McKenzie – Homebound
Sam and Trish Morris – Homebound
Frances Munn – Homebound
Dwight Sanders – Homebound
Mary Frances “Tootsie” Stringer – Jones County Rest Home Rm 408
Jan & Jerry Wansley – Homebound
Rubin Wooten – Resides in Slidell, LA