

First United Methodist Church

Commerce, Texas



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Mission of the Month— Commerce ISD Family Services

At Commerce ISD, Family Services is here to help students and their families overcome challenges that can affect learning and well-being.

We emphasize compassion, confidentiality & preserving individual dignity, and relationship building as we work to connect families to the resources they need and provide assistance in time of crisis — ensuring that children can focus on learning and thriving.

Your generous donations to Commerce ISD Family Services make a real difference. They help us:

- ♦ **Connect families with resources** — Referrals to local and regional service agencies, mental health providers, and community assistance programs.
- ♦ **Provide crisis and emergency support** — Help with housing or utility costs, fuel for transportation, and emergency food assistance.
- ♦ **Guide parents through school processes** — Assistance navigation forms, protocols, and available supports.
- ♦ **Supply essential school items** — Ensuring students have the tools they need to participate fully in class.
- ♦ **Stabilize families** — Meeting urgent needs so parents can focus on their child's education and well-being.

Thanks to your continued generosity, we can meet families where they are, offer encouragement, hope, and work together to create a stronger, more resilient community.

Online Giving makes donating easy, scan QR Code or go to www.fumcccommerce.org and click “Ways to give”

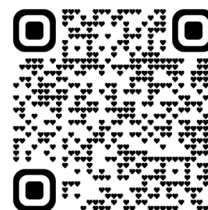


Wiggle Church

Starting this October we will have a new worship opportunity geared towards young families and children. Every Wednesday morning starting at 9:30am in the Chapel we will host Wiggle Church. Our Pre K and Pre school classes from Little Ark will be joining us, we are also inviting our families in the community to participate. At the end of each month we will host an evening Wiggle Church worship service with dinner included starting at 5:30pm. If you are interested in helping with these services please reach out the Jamie Bourcy at fumccommerce@gmail.com. We are excited for this new opportunity to reach families and children in our community and beyond.

Children's Choir

Children's Choir returns Wednesday September 9th. Children will practice Wednesdays afterschool from 4pm-5:30, a snack will be included when they arrive at the church. Once a month our children's choir will perform during Worship service. At the end of the semester we will visit Country Home Estates and perform for them. Our church bus picks up at CES and A/C Williams, seats are limited so sign up today! Scan the QR code to sign up today!



Prayer List

Recent Concerns:

- ◆ Our world, country and leaders
- ◆ Family of Sidney Stewart
- ◆ Nancy Ogden
- ◆ Bobbie Sue Floyd
- ◆ Betty Martin
- ◆ Mary Lou Heatherly
- ◆ Velma Durham, Sister of Al Stapleton
- ◆ David Curry, Son-in-law of Dale & Sue Massey
- ◆ Chris Wilcoxon, Son-in-law of Dale & Sue Massey
- ◆ Pete Smith
- ◆ Carter McLeroy (received a heart transplant), Grandson of Julie and Bob McLeroy
- ◆ Priscilla McFarland
- ◆ Donald & Marcia Hakala
- ◆ Becca Rowe
- ◆ Patricia Mulkey, Jim Patton's sister
- ◆ Bill Heitholt
- ◆ Robert Seay

Those serving in our military:

- ◆ Sgt. Kyle Hartman (US Marines) great-grandson of Lee Riddle
- ◆ Chandler Teague (US Navy) great-grandson of Lee Riddle
- ◆ Captain Cameron Lehr
- ◆ Lt. Dan Barton
- ◆ Daniel Chamberlain
- ◆ Sgt. Stephen Smith & Denise Smith

If you are interested in giving flowers for the altar,
please contact Luann Huffman at
903-366-2899 or email
lhuffman01@cumbytel.com



Upcoming Activities

- Sept. 3- Serve Team Meeting 10AM
- Sept. 7—Labor Day Office & Little Ark Closed
- Sept. 8— Trustees 6:30PM
- Sept. 9—Children's Choir Returns 4-5:30PM
- Sept. 14- Prayer Shawl Meeting 9:30AM
- Sept. 14 - Finance 6PM
- Sept. 17– Prayer Shawl Crafting 9:30AM
- Sept. 24- Prayer Shawl Crafting 9:30AM
- Sept. 27— Ad Council 12PM
- Sept. 29—Women's Study 3PM

Ongoing Activities

- Men's Breakfast (Omega's): Wednesdays 8AM
- Country Home Estates: Wednesdays at 2:00PM
- Children's Choir: Wednesdays at 4-5:30PM
- Youth: Wednesdays at 5:30
- Adult Choir: Wednesdays at 6:30PM
- Friendship Class: Sundays at 9:30AM
- Children's Sunday School: Sunday during service

Financial Report

	<u>Current</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Budget Income:	\$20,673	\$168,074
Budget Expense:	\$28,465	\$187,400
<u>Difference:</u>	-\$7,792	-\$19,326

Fun at Little Ark

Save the Date

Little Ark Closed Sept. 7th



**For emergency
pastoral care,
call Pastor
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