

Macedonia

United Methodist Church

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Welcome to this season after Pentecost known as **ORDINARY TIME** in the Church. It is an extended season of growth in grace and discipleship as symbolized by the color green. **ORDINARY TIME** this year is 26 weeks, extending from Pentecost (May 24) to Advent (Nov. 29), enabling us to experience “a long obedience in the same direction.”

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Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost

August 16, 2026

Prelude	<i>Bobbie Wright</i>	"Jesus the Very Thought of Thee"
Acolyte		Layla Hogan
Words of Grace and Greeting/Opening Prayer		<i>Rev. Carol Hunter</i>
Opening Hymn #157		"Jesus Shall Reign"
Affirmation of Faith		
Hymn		"Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord"
1st Scripture	<i>Liturgist: Jane Link</i>	Romans 12:1-8
Prayers/The Lord's Prayer #895		
Receiving of Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory Anthem		<i>Choir</i>
Doxology		
2nd Scripture		Matthew 16:13-20
Message		"Keys of the Kingdom"
Closing Hymn		"Bring Forth the Kingdom"
Announcements		
Benediction		
Postlude	<i>Bobbie Wright</i>	"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

A special welcome to our guests visiting with us! We hope you quickly find that you are no stranger here.

A nursery for our little ones is staffed by our coordinator and volunteers. Directional signs will lead you to our Educational Wing. Restrooms are located directly outside of the sanctuary as well as between the sanctuary and Spirit Hall. Hearing assistant devices are available. Please ask a greeter.

On Sunday, August 23rd, we will be having a churchwide end of summer pot-luck luncheon after church. Please plan on bringing your favorite appetizer or entrée. Dessert and beverages will be provided. We hope to see you there!

Weekly prayer requests can be picked up in the narthex and on the table near the bathrooms. If you would like to add someone to our weekly prayer list, please send your requests to mumc150@gmail.com or call the office at 336-798-3097.

Children are invited to bring their backpacks with them on Sunday, August 23rd, to receive a blessing for the upcoming school and homeschool year.

Saturday's Back to School event was a HUGE success!! Thank you to everyone that donated to this event!!

The Kintegra Mobile Medical Unit will be here at Macedonia UMC on Wednesday, **August 19th**, providing primary care services including adult and child well/sick care, diabetes and chronic disease management, and preventive care. To schedule an appointment, call 705-874-3316. Walk-ins are welcome. They will be here each month on the third Wednesday.

Our Mission: "To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

Our vision statement: "Connecting God, community, and one another to meet the real needs of real people for spiritual and physical wholeness."

*.....and there will be one flock and one shepherd.
John 10:16*

Coming Up

August 17	8:00am	Breakfast Blessings
	5:30pm	Yoga
August 19	8:00am	Kintegra
	4:00pm	Friends Feeding Friends
	6:00pm	Youth
	7:00pm	Choir
August 20	8:00am	Breakfast Blessings
	10:00am	Yoga
August 23	10:00am	Blessing of the Backpacks
		Puppets!

The 2026-2027 Backpack program is starting up beginning the week of August 24th.

We're in contact with the school counselor and plan to provide 55 bags of food for the school year weekends. There is anticipation that the number may change due to families seeing benefit cuts and increased food prices. We'll be advised once teachers assess their students need. If that happens we'll keep the church updated.

Your continued help & support of this program is overwhelming and is greatly appreciated. Last year, we were able to keep the cost of providing weekend nourishment to \$100 per child for the school year along with the many food donations we received.

If you are able to help again this year the list of items we need are located on the tables at all entrances. Also, last year many people decided to 'sponsor' a child for the school year at \$100 and our purchasing team did the shopping.

If you have any questions about the Backpack Program, please talk with Stephanie Stuebing.

Thank you for your support of the Backpack program, it is greatly appreciated, we are certainly blessed by our church family...The Backpack Team.

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