

# Inman Informer

September 2025



ROOTED IN CHRIST  
SHAPED BY HIS WORD  
BEARING FRUIT IN THE WORLD

## Important Dates:

Tuesday, Sept 9:  
Board of Trustees  
Meeting at  
6:00pm

Tuesday, Sept 9:  
Finance  
Committee  
Meeting at  
6:30pm

Sunday, Sept 14:  
All Daughter's  
Luncheon at  
12:00pm

Tuesday, Sept 16:  
SPR Meeting at  
6:00pm

Wednesday,  
Sept 17:  
Men's Club  
Meeting at  
9:00am

Saturday, Sept 20:  
Hooked Concert  
at FHD at 11:00am

Sunday, Sept 21:  
Brush Arbor  
Service at 9:00am  
at FHD

Tuesday, Sept 30:  
Administrative  
Board Meeting at  
7:00pm

## *A note from the Pastor*

### **Trusting God in Transitions**

*"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths."*  
-Proverbs 3:5-6

Transitions are part of the life of every church. As we prepare to transition to the Simplified Accountable Structure model in our congregation, we're not just changing structure. We are stepping into a new season of ministry together. That makes this both a practical and spiritual transition.

Proverbs reminds us that trust requires both surrender and action. We are called to trust God with all our hearts. This is true especially when we can't see the full picture. Before strategy or structure, we begin with prayer and humility. Preparing our hearts means listening for God's voice, seeking unity, and remaining open to what the Spirit may want to do in and through us.

At the same time, trusting God doesn't mean standing still. Preparing our hands means we are ready to serve, lead, and step into new roles. This new model will require us to show up with our gifts, wisdom, and willingness to grow. It's not change for change's sake. It's about creating space for more focused ministry and faithful decision-making.

Yes, transitions can feel uncertain. They can even feel scary. But they're also full of possibility. God is not only leading us away from something; he is leading us toward something new. Let's walk this path together, with hearts fully surrendered and hands ready to serve.

Peace,  
Pastor Whitney



## **FLOOD THE FARM**

**HOOKED PRAISE BAND WILL BE PLAYING ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20 AT 11:00AM. INMAN UMC WILL “FLOOD THE FARM” IN OUR INMAN T-SHIRTS IN ORDER TO CONNECT WITH PEOPLE AND INVITE THEM TO THE BRUSH ARBOR SERVICE.**

**PLEASE PLAN TO MEET BY THE MAIN STAGE AT 10:45 IN YOUR INMAN T-SHIRT. WE’LL HAVE GOODY BAGS AND CHURCH FANS TO HAND OUT TO FOLKS AS WE TALK WITH THEM.**



## **Join Us at Inman Farm Heritage Days Brush Arbor Service**

**Brush Arbor Service: The annual Brush Arbor Service will be on Sunday, September 21 at 9am at Minter Farm. Come out in your Inman t-shirt to worship alongside our community.**

# Missions and Outreach

**For September there will be "two" Special Offering Sundays. Wellroot will be celebrated on September 7, 2025 and Fayette Samaritans will be celebrated on September 21, 2025.**

## **Wellroot....September 7, 2025**

"HOME" is a special place. It's not just a roof over our heads, but a safe, secure, and loving environment shared with those we love and care about the most. It's a place most of us take for granted, but there are thousands of children and young adults in the foster care system in Georgia who don't know what a stable home is like.

As a ministry of the UMC in North Georgia, Wellroot has a long history (over 150 years) of providing unconditional love and support to youth from infancy through young adulthood. Through faith-based services and programs, Wellroot helps individuals reach their God-given potential through the encouragement and love of a healthy home and community.

OUR MISSION: To restore children and families from trauma through Jesus Christ.

OUR VISION: To envision a world where every child is raised in a loving, compassionate, And nurturing home.

"Children are a heritage from the LORD, children a reward from him." Psalm 127:3



## **Fayette Samaritans...September 21, 2025**

"It is our mission to walk with Christ and serve the needs of others."

Fayette Samaritans is a Christian ministry serving families in Fayette County that are in critical need of food, clothing, and emergency financial assistance. This ministry is run by volunteers that selflessly give of their time to serve the needs of others.

Donations of food and clothing are always needed as well as financial assistance. Volunteers are also needed so; if you have a few hours once a week or once a month or so; it is a great place to serve God by serving those in need.

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me."

Matthew 25:35-36



Big or Small, All Offerings Are Greatly Appreciated!

Blessings,  
Deborah Morris

# *Love & Fellowship Circle (United Women in Faith)*

Thanks for our awesome meeting in August. Well, here we are in September. We will not have our regular meeting on the 9th BECAUSE we have our All Daughters Luncheon on Sunday the 14th at 12pm in the Fellowship Hall. Invitations are available in the Narthex. Please get your reservations turned in by the 7th.

I look forward to seeing you there!



Prayers for all.  
Kathy

## *United Methodist Men*

Thanks to all who attended the August meeting.

Good food and fellowship were had by all.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 17th at 9:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Breakfast will be served.

Please mark your calendars and bring a friend.





# The Prayer of Thomas Merton

My Lord God,  
I have no idea where I am going.  
I do not see the road ahead of me.  
I cannot know for certain where it will end.  
Nor do I really know myself,  
and the fact that I think I am following your will  
does not mean that I am actually doing so.  
But I believe that the desire to please you  
does in fact please you.  
And I hope that I have that desire in all that I am doing.  
I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire.  
And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road,  
though I may know nothing about it.  
Therefore will I trust you always though  
I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death.  
I will not fear, for you are ever with me,  
and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As part of our Community Outreach initiative, we are excited to once again partner with Inman Elementary School.

This year, volunteers are invited to serve in the following ways:

1. Hospitality Cart Heroes – roll out a cart of goodies to surprise teachers and paraprofessionals (just 1 hour a month!)
2. Ice Cream Crew – bring smiles to student's faces with ice cream sales at lunchtime (just 1 hour per week!)

Sign-up sheets are available at the front of the sanctuary.

Note: All volunteers must complete mandated reporter training before serving. Don't worry – it only takes a few minutes.

Instructions sheets are located next to the sign-up sheets.

We hope you will join us in blessing our local school!

## Trustees

The Trustees would like to thank everyone for their hard work over the last month to keep the church grounds and facilities running smoothly and looking great!

Special thanks to Tim Black for having the sanctuary carpets and pew cushions cleaned! Be sure to look down and see how much better everything looks the next time you're in the sanctuary!

Forrest Ballard, Jerry Haygood, Joe Gratzner, Jeff Creel, and Zach Creel have been doing an amazing job of taking care of the landscaping around the church (and with all the rain, that has been no small task!).

We also appreciate the efforts of Herm Janssen and Ed Roehm to clean and service the ice machine, change the HVAC air filters, and clean out the pantry in the church kitchen! Stay tuned for information on the upcoming church wide workday this fall. A date and details will be sent out next month. As always, we are grateful for the support of the congregation for all their help in keeping up the church property!



## Finance

<b>Financial Report for January - July 2025</b>			<b>2025 Budget</b>
<b>Income</b>	<b>Jan. - July</b>	<b>YTD Budget</b>	<b>2025 Budget</b>
Gifts & Tithes	\$ 124,699	\$ 119,583	\$ 205,000
Other Designated Funds	\$ 4,786	\$ 5,833	\$ 10,000
<b>Grand Total Income</b>	<b>\$ 129,485</b>	<b>\$ 125,416</b>	<b>\$ 215,000</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>Jan. - July</b>	<b>YTD Budget</b>	<b>2025 Budget</b>
Committee Expenditures	\$ 13,275	\$ 15,035	\$ 25,775
Operational Expenses	\$ 25,514	\$ 39,978	\$ 68,534
All Other Expenses	\$ 88,668	\$ 94,307	\$ 161,669
<b>Grand Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 127,458</b>	<b>\$ 149,320</b>	<b>\$ 255,978</b>

# *For Our Prayers*

## ***For Healing From Health Concerns***

Gail Black (Tim Black)  
Cheryl Chance  
Madge Cox (Lyn Wheeler)  
Eli Curtis (Kamryn Jeffords)  
Whitney Dunlap (Brenda Neupert)  
Katy Fowler  
Rebecca Goss  
Whitney Hair  
Brenda Harp  
David Harp  
Cam Heron (Kamryn Jeffords)  
Cecil Jeffords  
Kathe Leo (Nancy Allgood)  
Sara Jane Overstreet  
Eugene Pritchard  
Riley Rada (Kim Jeffords)  
Gloria Reid  
Miriam Schmidt  
Steven Siders (Joni Janssen)  
Keith Sparks (Mary Jane Fortner)  
Lisa Spears (Nancy Allgood)  
Doug Wheeler  
Rhonda Wheeler (George & Lyn Wheeler)  
Chance Whittington (Will Chance)  
Roger Williams (Whitney Hair)  
Frank Wright (Mary Jane Fortner)

## ***For Healing From Cancer***

Judy Becco  
Tory Howe (Ruth Sitton)  
Diane Tankersley (Donald Whiteside)  
George Wheeler

## ***For Those Mourning the Death of Loved Ones***

Jan Janssen (Herm and Joni Janssen)  
Leigh Ann Hicks

## ***Other Concerns***

For the children/youth of Inman UMC

For our Pastor, District Superintendent (Rev. Dr. Julie Boone), Bishop (Bishop Robin Dease), and leaders of the United Methodist Church.

Unspoken prayers of the congregation

Our Church in this season of visioning and transition to SAS Model

We encourage you to call or email the secretary to update any prayer requests to help keep our prayer list current.

# Birthdays & Reminders

Miriam Schmidt	Sept. 6
Terrie Hart	Sept. 7
Lori Schachle	Sept. 12
Trenton Rigby	Sept. 16
Patty Rigby	Sept. 18
Anne Minter	Sept. 22
Catherenne Hogeland	Sept. 28
Jeff Allen	Sept. 29

*If you see a birthday is missing,  
please notify the church office  
so we can update our records.*

## Offering Counters

**September 7**  
**September 14**  
**September 21**  
**September 28**

Linda W. & Nancy G.  
Brenda N. & Linda W.  
Donna M. & Chuck J.  
Nancy A. & Joni J.

### Office Closed

The Church Office will be  
closed on Thursday,  
September 18.

# Office Information

## Office Hours

**Tuesday - Thursday 9am-1pm**

You may call 770-461-2123  
or email  
[secretary@inmanmethodist.org](mailto:secretary@inmanmethodist.org)  
to reach our secretary,  
Katie Nalley

## Our Staff

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