

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 3, 2026

TODAY:

OUR ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held after worship. Lunch will be served and the 2025 Annual Report will be discussed. The 2025 Annual Report is available online using the link in the Weekly Update. The online version does not contain financial information. If you would like a copy of the financial information or a printed copy of the report, please contact the church office (officemanager@fupcfay.org).

There will be a special offering for CEO during our final hymn.

CEO UPDATE: In the first 3 months of 2026, Cooperative Emergency Outreach (CEO) assisted 1,609 family members: checks to providers totaled \$53,338 and food to families totaled \$35,546. FUPC donations to CEO totaled \$7,061.

Here are some ways you can help:

- **CURRENT NEEDS:** packages of peanut butter crackers and granola bars
- **You can make a gift at any time.** Either clearly note that the donation is for CEO on your check or donation envelope or select Community Emergency Outreach from the drop-down menu when giving online at www.fupcfay.org/give. The next special offering for CEO will be May 3.
- **Volunteer Client Interviewers and Receptionists are needed.** Both regular volunteers and substitutes are needed. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact David Clay.
- **Donations** can be placed in the blue tub at the north entrance to Calvin. Donations are picked up Sun., Wed., & Fri. after 11:00am.

MAY EVENTS:

IMPORTANT DATE CHANGE: Join us at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, May 12 in the Fellowship Hall for **BINGO DE MAYO!** Enjoy tacos, bingo, and a fun evening together while supporting our **Summer Youth Mission Trip.** Bingo cards are \$5 each for the whole night or 3 for \$10, with prizes for the winners. We'll also have a "Sponsor the Journey" board where you can support specific parts of the trip. Cash, check, or card accepted—bring a friend and come join the fun!

The Evening PW Bible Study Group will not meet in May. They will meet on Tuesday June 9 at 6:15pm at the home of Diane Warren.

Sunday, May 10, will be GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY. If you have a HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE, TRADE SCHOOL OR ADVANCE-DEGREE SPRING GRADUATE in your family, we'd like to know! Please call the church office with their name, school, and degree for publication in the bulletin.

The congregation is invited to help Ron Talbert celebrate his 90th birthday! There will be a drop-in event Saturday, May 16, 2026 from 2:00pm to 4:00pm at The Lodge at Butterfield Village. No gifts please, just the joy of a visit. Questions? – please contact Vickie James.

PENTECOST is Sunday, May 24. Come celebrate the movement of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church! Wear your flame colors. The May Birthday Offering will be taken that Sunday. There will be Birthday Treats during Fellowship Time in The Gathering Place. For more information about the Ellen Smith Birthday Offering, please see the link in the Weekly Update.

SCHOLARSIP OPPORTUNITIES:

Grace Vawter Scholarship: The Trustees of First United Presbyterian Church invite students seeking a post-high school education leading to a degree or certification to submit applications for the VAWTER SCHOLARSHIP for the upcoming academic year. More information and the application form can be found on the FUPC website at bit.ly/fupc2026scholarships or by using the link in the Weekly Update. The application deadline is June 1, 2026. Please contact the Chair of Trustees, Julie Olsen (scholarship@fupcfay.org) with any questions.

The Rev. Lee Power Religious Studies Endowed Scholarship Fund exists to encourage the pursuit of theological education for Christian ministry, and to honor Rev. Power's distinguished service in the ministry and her faithful dedication to First United Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville. The scholarship provides financial assistance to women associated with FUPC seeking graduate education to prepare for service to the church or continuing education while in service to the church. More information can be found on the FUPC website at bit.ly/fupc2026scholarships or by using the link in the Weekly Update. A letter of application should be received by June 1, 2026. Please contact the Chair of Trustees, Julie Olsen (scholarship@fupcfay.org) with any questions.

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES:

PRESBYTERIANS IN THE PARK: This summer, we are once again planning meetups in Gulley Park for the free outdoor summer concerts sponsored by the City of Fayetteville. Come enjoy a relaxing evening in the park with your church family! The concerts are on Thursday evenings from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. **Save the 2026 concert dates now: June 4, June 11, June 18, June 25, July 2 and July 9.**

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Our congregation will be joining with First Presbyterian, Springdale, at the **FUPC campus** this summer for Vacation Bible Study. **SAVE JULY 13 to 18 from 9am to Noon.** We are going to be a Pilot VBS for a new curriculum called "Plenty to Share" from the Society of St. Andrew Organization, which is a group that helps feed hungry people in communities around the world.

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES:

SUPPORT UCM THIS SPRING: UCM is once again having a spring move-a-thon. This fundraiser creates sustainability and support for regular programming at UCM. Weekly programs like Dinner & Discussion are the backbone of what UCM offers for students along with internships and student-led programming. This year UCM students hiked at Kessler Mountain on Sunday, April 26 to raise funds and awareness for the ministry. Would you join them by getting a group of friends together to run, hike, bike, swim or any other activity to support UCM? A **Team FUPC hike to fundraise for UCM** is being planned for Sunday, June 14. Please save the date! **For more information about how to form a team, sponsorship opportunities, or more ways to participate contact Kristi Button at ucmkristi@gmail.com.**

For additional **GIVING AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES** please use this link to the church website: fupcfay.org/current-needs or use the QR code above and select "Outreach Opportunities".

NEED A LINK? Use the QR code to the right or type fupcfay.org/links in your browser. You will see a menu of buttons to access:

- Worship Guide
- Announcements
- Giving Form
- Contact Information Form for Visitors
- Current Issue of Weekly Update (contains sign-up links and details)
- Current Opportunities to Give and Serve
- Sunday School Information



ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REMINDERS:

ARE YOU NEW TO FUPC? We would like to get to know you. Please use the QR Code **on the front** or type fupcfay.org/links in your browser. You will see a menu of buttons. Please select the button that says, "New to FUPC?" Let us know how to contact you and how we can best help you. Thank you!

CONTACT INFORMATION can be found in the Instant Church Directory App. If you need assistance connecting with a church member or information about the app, please call the Church Office (442-4411) and the church staff will be happy to assist you.

Friendly Reminder: Please help us care for one another by leaving designated handicapped parking spaces available for those who need them. On Sunday mornings, all the spaces in the parking lot next to the sanctuary are dedicated handicap spots. Thank you for your kindness and consideration!

THIS WEEK AT FUPC

Calendar for May 4 to May 8

Monday	7:00pm	Alcoholics Anonymous (Fellowship Hall)
Tuesday	4:00pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	7:00pm	Young Adult Dinner (Upper Witherspoon)
Wednesday	6:30am	Men's Prayer Breakfast (Village Inn)
	3:30pm	Earth Care Taskforce (Church Library)
	6:00pm	Youth Group (Lower Witherspoon)
	7:00pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Friday	10:00am	Hooks and Needles (Church Library)
	Noon	Friday Noon Bible Study (Church Library and Zoom1)