

NEWS & EVENTS



First Time Guest?

We're glad you are here! As a token of our appreciation, we'd like to make a donation of \$5 in your honor to one of our community partners. Scan the QR code to the left to select the organization you would like to donate to. Thank you for joining us today.



Join us as we honor the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr, with a day of service on Monday, January 19. Meet us at the church around 9-9:15 am for coffee and donuts. Around 9:30, we will split into groups for several projects including the Community Cafe, Downtown Litter Pickup (weather permitting), Canvas Community, AND MORE.

Sunday First Arts is back in January!

Beginning January 18, the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month will feature a special after-church program for our kids, ages pre-K and up! We'll have a kid-friendly lunch, then have children's music, arts & crafts, and games until 2 pm.

3 Pastors Walk Into A Bar

Monday, January 26th, Noon

First United Methodist Church, Little Rock

This first meeting of 3 Pastors of the year will feature 2 special guests: **Jeremy Everett and Kathy Webb**. Jeremy and Kathy will join the pastors for a conversation about food justice and the responsibility of people of faith. Jeremy is the Executive Director of the Baylor Collaborative on Hunger and Poverty in Texas, and Kathy, a long-time member of FUMCLR, ran the Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance for over a decade. Join us for a meaningful conversation and connection with our downtown church neighbors.

Caretakers Support Group - meets 2nd Thursday of every month

Caring for someone you love can be deeply meaningful—but it can also be exhausting and isolating. This support group is a place where caregivers can come together to share experiences, listen without judgment, and find encouragement from others who truly understand. It's a space to be honest about the hard days, celebrate small victories, and remember that you don't have to carry everything alone. Whether you're new to caregiving or have been doing it for years, you're welcome here. We meet the 2nd Thursday of every month at noon in the First Cup Café.

JOURNEY CARD

We're glad you're here!

Please complete the card and place in the offering plate.

☐ CHECK IF FIRST-TIME GUEST

FULL NAME — Please Print

CHILDREN & YOUTH PRESENT TODAY

Names & Ages

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE ZIP

PHONE

EMAIL(s)

☐ My info has changed.
Please update my records.

☐ Repeat Guest

☐ Member

☐ Friend

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☐ I am interested in joining FUMC.

☐ I would like more information about FUMC.

☐ I would like a call from the pastor



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First Word, January 18, 2026- 9:00 am

PRAYER REQUEST

YOUR NAME – Please Print

Person or situation for which you are requesting prayer.

☐ Share this information with the congregation.

☐ For Pastors Only

☐ For Pastors & Prayer Team Only

OTHER REQUESTS

2026 FUMCLR Goals

Please use the space below to list ALL your service hours (even those served outside FUMCLR). Together, our goal is to serve 10,000 hours total.

Name:

Service Project:

Time Served:

Guests Brought to FUMCLR:

Men of Faith & Action Lunch & Meeting February 1 at Noon

Guest Speaker:

Keven Shalin, The Mighty Rib

Name:

Number of People:

UWF Lunch & Program February 8 at Noon

Guest Speaker:

Caleb Alexander McKinzie, The Van

Name:

Number of People:

Give the gift
of comfort
and warmth!

**brief & toasty
BLESSINGS TOES**

January 4:
Children's Socks and Underwear

January 11:
Women's Socks and Underwear

January 18:
Men's Socks and Underwear

January 25:
Gloves & Hats for Men and
Women



Please place your donations in the bins and baskets located around the church.

FUMCLR Green Team

Passionate about sustainability? Want to see your Church participate fully in creation care? We're having a starter conversation on January 25 at 10 am in the Cokesbury Center. We will talk about sustainability advocacy, communal/individual practices, worship components, and service projects. Reach out to Rev. Haley with any questions to hjones@fumclr.org.

Men of Faith & Action Lunch & Meeting– Save the Date

Men of Faith and Action are invited to gather for lunch and a meeting on **Sunday, February 1st at noon in the Fellowship Hall**. This will be a time for good food, meaningful conversation, and encouragement in faith and service. The speaker will Kevin Shalin of The Mighty Rib.

United Women in Faith will meet on Sunday, February 8

Everyone is invited to attend the UWF lunch and program in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, February 8, after the 11:00 am worship service. The speaker will be Caleb Alexander McKinzie, who will tell us about "The Van." The mission of "The Van" is simply to locate and love our unsheltered homeless neighbors, wherever they may be. They primarily serve these needs by going to the people. They visit current homeless camps, search for new camps, comb alleyways, check under bridges, and seek out people deep in the woods, etc. They take supplies such as food, water, clothing, and hygiene products to people where they are. They seek to build relationships with members of the homeless community so that they may then identify barriers to obtaining income and housing, and help them move beyond their homelessness. If you plan to attend, please fill out the Journey Card in the bulletin or call the church office at 501-372-2256 so that enough food will be prepared. Donations for food will be accepted.

Calling all knitters/crocheters

We are looking to add a few more handmade blankets or prayer shawls to our collection to provide hospitality and comfort in our historic yet unpredictable sanctuary. You can drop them off in the provided bin in the sanctuary Narthex for anyone to use.

Feeding Our Neighbors 2026

It's time to make plans for our feeding ministries in 2026. We cook and serve supper on the 1st Wednesday of the month at Canvas Community for 125 people and the 5th Sunday of every month at Our House Shelter for 90 people. Let's make a plan for Q1:

Canvas-cook and serve, just cook, or sponsor a meal for \$400 for 125.

February 4, March 4, and April 1

Our House-cook and serve or just cook

March 29