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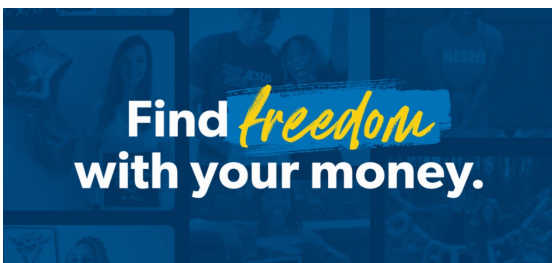


Lessons & Carols

This Sunday, December 31, we will gather for **one service in the sanctuary at 10:00 a.m.** There will be no Sunday School or evening activities. Merry Christmas!

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Love Self



Financial Peace University

Money. Maybe you feel like you didn't learn enough growing up to manage your finances well now. Maybe money is so tight you worry you won't have enough from one month to the next. Maybe you're just exhausted and feel like no matter what you do, you just can't get ahead.

Here's some good news: Whatever your past, whatever your income, wherever you are with money right now—you don't have to stay there. You can get the knowledge and motivation to make things different. To fight inflation, get rid of your debt, save more money, invest, and get margin in your monthly budget so you can breathe again. Beginning **Sunday January 21st, 5:00pm – 6:30pm**, certified Financial Peace University coordinators and FUMC members Josh & Sandy Glass, will lead participants through the 10-week program here on our church campus. Childcare is provided for those with little ones. Cost is \$79.99, which includes one year of access to Financial Peace University with downloadable pdf workbook and three months of access to the premium version of

EveryDollar budgeting app. A hardcopy workbook is available for purchase for an additional \$20. To register, click the sign up button.

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Love Others



Welcome New Members!

We welcome the following persons who joined the church at a recent Believe and Belong gathering: Fran Cornell, and Lynn and Lynda Juneau. The addition of these persons brings the total of new members in 2023 to 61.



[Contact Rebecca](#)

Flower Ministry

The Care Ministry is in need of volunteers to assist with flower deliveries on Mondays. It is a wonderful opportunity to spread beauty and love! For more information, contact Rebecca Mitchell, Director of Care Ministry at (225) 383-4777 ext. 239 or email her by clicking the button.

MissionBR 2024



The weekend of **January 13-15** FUMC Youth (6th-12th grade) will grow as disciples by serving in the Baton Rouge community and through worship and group activities.

Total cost is \$150 with a \$50 deposit due upon registration. Youth and chaperones will stay at FUMC overnight on Saturday and Sunday with activities and service taking place on Sunday and Monday.



Hygiene Kits

Methodists for Social Justice continues to collect hygiene kits for the homeless. Please donate the following items in the blue box at the Welcome Desk outside the Conference Center: bar soap, small body lotions, deodorants, small Kleenex packs, lip balms, toothbrushes,

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toothpastes, and disposable razors. Used jackets (all sizes) are also being collected. Want to help assemble kits? Please call or text Sandra Jones at (225) 937-9453.

You're Invited!



Kids' Night

Kids' Night will resume on **Sunday, January 7**. K-5th graders are invited to Kids' Night from 5:00-6:30 p.m. They will grow their faith through music, missions, games, and crafts! More information and a registration link can be found by clicking the button.

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Youth Night

Youth Night restarts on **January 7** from 5:00-6:30pm! Come for dinner, games, and worship led by the youth band! Youth parents, you're invited to help in the youth kitchen on Sunday mornings and Sunday evenings as breakfast and pizza chefs! Check the Youth E-News for sign-up links.

End-of-Year Gifts

TEXT "FUMCBR" to 225-425-3862 and follow instructions

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MAIL a check to FUMC, 930 North Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70802

As Christmas and the New Year draw near, many people make end-of-year gifts to their favorite charities. We want to make you aware of some end-of-year giving options that could benefit you and ask you to remember First United Methodist Church of Baton Rouge in your giving.

- The IRS requires retirees to take a minimum distribution from their retirement account each year or face a penalty. These distributions are an excellent way to give to your favorite charity.
- Some find it advantageous to pre-pay their 2024 charitable gift before December 31, 2023. Talk to your tax-preparer or accountant to determine if this is a good option for you.
- Some choose to give by donating stock and First United Methodist is able to receive such donations. Contact Bonnie Brignac at bonnie@firstmethodist.org to find out the details of making a stock donation.

For more information about giving to First United Methodist Church, contact Bonnie Brignac at bonnie@firstmethodist.org.

Thank you for your generous support for the work God is doing through First United Methodist of

Baton Rouge as we seek to Love3 (Love God, Love Neighbor, Love Self).

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