

**Emory United Methodist Church**  
**The Spire Monthly Newsletter**  
**September 2018**

Dear Friends of Emory UMC,

***Gathering around the Table*** starts back with its fall schedule on September 9. We meet in Mason Fellowship Hall at 5:30 p.m. for a shared meal (there is no need to bring anything and there is no charge for the meal). We then share a program from 6:00-6:45. The list of programs looks very interesting for this semester. There is also a children's program offered during this same time. Please join us any Sunday you are available (we meet every 2nd and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month at 5:30), on the following: Sept. 9, Sept. 23, Oct. 14, Oct. 28, and Nov. 11.

In other news:

- **The Charge Staff-Parish Relations Committee** will meet on Sunday, September 16 at Noon at Meadowview UMC.
- The **Church Leadership Council** will meet on Sunday, September 23 at 7:00 p.m.
- A fall bible study, **Engaging the Gospels**, will meet on Sunday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Dow Room from September 30 – October 28. Please join us on ***Sunday, September 30 at 7:00 p.m.*** for the introductory session.
- **Half-Century** will meet at Noon on September 12 at Neel Rich's home (12164 College Drive, Emory). Reservations need to be made with Evon at [crowderb@comcast.net](mailto:crowderb@comcast.net). Lunch will be served (cost TBD).
- The **Older Adult Outing** for September will be on *Tuesday, September 25* to the Andrew Johnson National Historic Site.
- **Seeking People Asking Relevant Questions:** The S.P.A.R.Q. small group ministry will meet on Thursdays at 6:00 p.m. at Neel Rich's home (12164 College Drive – Emory); everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. Please come at 5:45 for a fellowship time.

- **Holston Conference Offering:** We will receive a special 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday offering for Holston Home for Children on Sunday, September 30. Holston United Methodist Home for Children, located in Greeneville, TN, provides hope and healing for a brighter future by sharing the love of Jesus with children and families struggling with life's challenges.
- **Stay Connected:** The Emory UMC worship service is rebroadcast on WEHC 90.7 FM at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings, with a one week delay. If you are not able to make it to church, tune in to WEHC and join us for worship. Also, please visit our website at <http://emoryumchurch.org>.
- **Weekly Food Donations:** Everyone is invited to bring donated food to worship each Sunday morning. We collect the food in a bin as we enter the sanctuary and it is delivered to the Glade Spring Food Pantry during the week.

*We the people of the Emory United Methodist Church affirm that our church is inclusive and open to all people. We are a Reconciling Congregation, affiliated with the Reconciling Ministries Network, which means that we welcome all persons into full participation in the life of our congregation regardless of age, gender identity, racial or ethnic background, sexual orientation, marriage status, or physical or mental condition.*

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#### September Volunteers

	Sept. 2	Sept. 9	Sept. 16	Sept. 23	Sept. 30
Liturgist	Elizabeth	Susan	Tom	Mary-Margaret	TBD
Breakfast	Cindy/Sharon	Sally/Lisa	Coulthard/Justis	Stanley/Crowder	David
Children's Church	Stampers	Mittens	Wrights	Wichts	TBD

\*Megan Mitten is the children's church helper for every Sunday