

CUMMING FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
CHURCH LEADERSHIP FOR 2023

**NOTES:**

1. Names in **bold** type indicate 2023 is first year serving in that position.
2. The Senior Pastor, as the administrative officer of the church, serves as an ex officio member with vote on all councils, boards, task forces, committees, etc. of the church unless otherwise prohibited by *The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church*.
3. The Senior Pastor may designate staff members to serve as ex-officio members of certain committees, councils, boards, etc. Such ex-officio members will have vote unless such is prohibited by *The Book of Discipline of The United Methodist Church*.

<b>CHURCH COUNCIL</b>
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**Executive**

Church Council Chair (*3<sup>rd</sup> Lay Delegate to Annual Conference*) ..... **Kevin Tallant**  
 Church Council Vice-Chair (*4<sup>th</sup> Lay Delegate to Annual Conference*) ..... **Jeff Roy**  
 Recording Secretary..... Heather Lake (+)  
 Co-Lay Leaders (*1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Lay Delegates to Annual Conference*) ..... Debbie Poss & Don Slater (2)

**Administrative Chairs**

Board of Trustees Chair ..... To Be Elected By Trustees  
 Finance Committee Chair ..... **Dana Letchworth**  
 Church Treasurer..... Sandy Ray (+)  
 Staff-Parish Relations Chair ..... **Jason Smith**

**Ministry Area Team Captains**

Hospitality Team Captain ..... **Karri Roy**  
 Worship Team Captain..... **Patrick Webb**  
 Faith Development Team Captain..... Wayne Abbott (2)  
 Preschool Board Chair..... **Kathy Thomas**  
 Congregational Care Team Captain..... Jeff Porcel(2)  
 Missions & Service Team Captain ..... **Christa O’Neal**  
 Generosity Team Captain ..... Robert & Janet Scott (2)  
 President of United Women in Faith ..... Janet Scott  
 President of United Methodist Men..... John Heath  
 Youth Representative..... **Anderson McKnight**  
 Young Adult Representative..... Taylor Seay (2)

**Clergy Staff**

Senior Pastor ..... Rev. Dr. Matt Stewart  
 Pastor of Congregational Care & Older Adults..... Rev. Kathie Stasko  
 Pastor of Connections & Community ..... Rev. Kelly Claudon  
 Pastor of Faith Development..... Rev. Jane Brooks  
 Pastor of Student Ministries..... Rev. Ben Mayfied

**Staff**

Director of Children Ministries.....Cherie Perkins  
 Church Administrator/Director of Hospitality & Worship..... Kristy Thompson  
 Director of Music, Worship & Arts..... John Hutchinson

**At-Large Members**

Class of 2023 ..... Heather Lake, Mike Harrington, James O’Neal  
 Class of 2024 ..... Kevin Tallant, Scott Messer, Craig Hethcox

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**ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES**

**COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**

CLASS OF 2023	Tammy Hensley	Tom Lazenby	Dana Letchworth
CLASS OF 2024	<b>Johanne Daigh</b>	Sue Buckalew	Carol Johnson
CLASS OF 2025	<b>Sharon Knolls</b>	<b>Jerry Harris</b>	<b>Rachael Bardall</b>
Lay Leaders	Don Slater & Debbie Poss (Vice-Chairs)		
Staff:	Senior Pastor (Chair) and Church Administrator		

**STAFF-PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

CLASS OF 2023	Claudia Baldowski	Emily Thorton	Patrick Webb
CLASS OF 2024	Barbara Barnett	James O'Neal	Jeff Porcel
CLASS OF 2025	<b>Jason Smith</b> (Chair)	<b>Chuck Pugh</b>	<b>Sharon Walton</b> (Vice-Chair)
Lay Leaders	Debbie Poss & Don Slater		
Staff:	Senior Pastor		

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

CLASS OF 2023	Joe Thorton	<b>Sam Austin</b>	<b>John McGruder</b>
CLASS OF 2024	<b>Jerry Sanders</b>	Jon Brockman	<b>Elizabeth Porcel</b>
CLASS OF 2025	<b>Gary Pierson</b>	<b>Megan Hunt</b>	<b>Gloria Buice</b>
Staff: (without vote)	Senior Pastor and Facilities Manager		

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Chair			<b>Dana Letchworth</b>
Vice-Chair			<b>Tim Heard</b>
Church Treasurer			Sandy Ray
Generosity Team Captain			Robert & Janet Scott
Lay Leader			Debbie Poss & Don Slater
Church Council Chair			<b>Kevin Tallant</b>
Board of Trustees Chair			To Be Elected By Trustees
SPRC Chair			<b>Jason Smith</b>
CLASS OF 2023	Bill Bierschenk	Vicki Stefancich	Mack Butler
CLASS OF 2024	Matt Lake	Dana Lechworth	<b>Jim Grant</b>
CLASS OF 2025	<b>Mary Helen McGruder</b>	<b>Tim Heard</b>	<b>Siv Keyser</b>
Staff: (with vote)	Senior Pastor		
Staff: (without vote)	Financial Administrator		

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**HOSPITALITY TEAM**

Hospitality Team Captain **Karri Roy**  
Greeter Team Coordinator **Sharon Knolls** (8:45&11:00)/**Linda Butler** (9:45)

CLASS OF 2023 **Mary Nelson** Tammy Hensley  
CLASS OF 2024 **Mark Adams** **Louwana Underwood** **Sue Buckalew**  
CLASS OF 2025 **Siv Keyser** **Cerue Harris**  
STAFF: Director of Welcome & Hospitality and Director of Communications

**WORSHIP TEAM**

Worship Team Captain **Patrick Webb**  
Modern Worship Communion Coordinator Vickie Stuckey (2)  
Modern Worship Setup Coordinator **Vickie Stuckey**  
Traditional Altar Guild Coordinator **Mary Nelson**  
Traditional Acolyte Coordinator **Grace Humphries**  
Traditional Usher Co-Coordinators Ken Baldowski (+) & Rock Hunt (2)  
Traditional Altar Flowers Coordinator Renee Turner (+)  
Traditional Communion Coordinator **Kristy Thompson**  
Flower Ministry Coordinator Patrick Webb (+)  
Seasonal Decorations Coordinator **Nancy and Rick Graves**  
STAFF: Director of Worship & Arts and Director of Welcome & Hospitality

**FAITH DEVELOPMENT TEAM**

Faith Development Team Captain Wayne Abbott (2)  
Library Committee Chair Siv Keyser (+)  
Preschool Committee Chair **Kathy Thomas**  
Children's Council Chair Elizabeth Humphries (+)  
Youth Ministry Team Chair Ryan Payne (+)  
Safe Sanctuary Coordinator Barbara Ledbetter (+)  
College Care Pals Coordinator **Christa O'Neal**  
XYZ President Sue Smith (*Elected*)  
Church Historian **Carol Allred**  
Assistant Historian **Ken Baldowski**

Class of 2023 Jim Hensley Lin Holoman  
Class of 2024 Trena Lazzara Jim Fletcher  
Class of 2025 **Howard Allred** **Ann Teasley** **Ann Tallant**  
STAFF: Pastor of Faith Development, Director of Children Ministries, Pastor of Student Ministries, Pastor of Congregational Care & Older Adult Ministries, Director of Preschool, Director of Nursery Ministries

**PRESCHOOL BOARD**

Preschool Board Chair **Kathy Thomas**  
Preschool Director (*without vote*) **Rachael Bardall**  
Preschool Assistant Directors (*without vote*) **Kim Hannigan**

Board of Trustees Representative  
Staff-Parish Relations Representative  
Committee on Finance Representative

Class of 2023 Moriah Washburn Carol Cain Elizabeth Fries-Corbin

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Class of 2024                      **Laurin Dunleavy**                      **Andi Furman**                      **Sue Buckalew**  
Class of 2025                      **Jessica Smith**                      **Claudia Baldowski**                      **Mary Elizabeth McKnight**  
STAFF:      Pastor of Congregational Care and Older Adults and Pastor of Faith Development

**CONGREGATIONAL CARE TEAM**

Congregational Care Team Captain                      Jeff Porcel (2)  
Intercessory Prayer Ministry Coordinator                      **Carolyn Pittman**  
Homebound CD Ministry Coordinator                      **Steffen Abrams**, Coord. Prod. & Tech.  
New Baby Ministry Coordinator                      Anita Seay (2)  
Special Birthday Notes Coordinator                      **Diane West**  
Nursing Home Ministry Representative                      **Sandra Campbell**  
Class of 2023                      Elizabeth Porcel                      Kim Medlin  
Class of 2024                      Bev Nichols                      Diane Cooper  
Class of 2025                      **Linda Sue Meagher**                      **Harold Knolls**  
STAFF:      Pastor of Congregational Care & Older Adult Ministries

**MISSIONS & SERVICE TEAM**

Missions & Service Team Captain                      **Christa O'Neal**  
Food Ministry Council Representative                      Bill Bierschenk (2+)  
Scouting Coordinator                      **Jennifer Hanks**  
  
Class of 2023                      Nancy Graves                      Jan Richardson  
Class of 2024                      Dave Adams                      Christa O'Neal  
Class of 2025                      **Marilyn Savage**                      **Metz & Mary Grace Holder**  
STAFF:      Director of Missions & Outreach and Director of Food Bank

**GENEROSITY TEAM**

Generosity Team Captain                      Janet & Robert Scott (2)  
Chair Committee on Finance                      **Dana Letchworth**  
Class of 2023                      Lin & Bette Holoman                      Sandy Ray  
Class of 2024                      Roger & Siv Keyser                      Jennifer Hanks  
Class of 2025                      **Sharon Heard**                      **Jack Kneiss**  
STAFF:      Financial Administrator; Director of Communications; Senior Pastor