

2023 Relay For Life Luminaria Event

Relay For Life is the signature fundraiser for the American Cancer Society; Powder Springs First United Methodist Church has participated in the Cobb County Relay for Life event since 2015. Many of our members have been affected by this disease so we have become highly active in the fight against it, having raised more than \$30,000 to date.

The luminaria event is for awareness, giving a visual display of how many lives are affected by cancer just in our community. Each luminaria is placed in honor or memory of someone who has battled cancer or is/was a caregiver.

Here are some details – please let us know if there is anything else you need to know.

- Our volunteers will set out luminaria on the sidewalks in front of PSFUMC and, staying on one side of the street, take them through town down to Murray Avenue. If we have a large number of luminarias dedicated, we may need to set them out going the other direction from the church, although we could put them on both sides of the street if that is a preference. We plan to reach out to other Relay For Life teams in the area and get them involved as well. We would also be honored to have anyone in our community dedicate a luminaria in honor/memory of someone.
- This is a walk/drive-through event. Viewers will use the sidewalk. The only impact to traffic could be that people may slow down to look more closely at the luminaria bags.
- We would have the luminaria out and lit by 8:00 pm and pick them up by 10:00 pm.
- The luminaria bags will be lit using glow-sticks, i.e., there will be no live fire involved.
- The luminaria bags will be weighted with products that will then be donated to our food distribution ministry.
- Parking for volunteers (team members helping to put out and pick up the luminaria) will be provided at the PSFUMC parking lot.

