

# UPCOMING EVENTS

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**OFFICE HOURS:**  
**MONDAY-THURSDAY**  
**9:00 AM – 4:00 PM**  
**FRIDAY: 9:00 AM-1:00 PM**

## Sunday, July 22, 2018

9:00 am Sunday School  
9:25 am Worship Huddle  
9:45 am Kid's Worship  
10:00 am Traditional Worship  
11:00 am Thrive Worship  
5:00 pm Laity Listening Session

## Monday, July 23, 2018

6:30 pm Boy Scouts

## Tuesday, July 24, 2018

6:30 pm Trustee Meeting (office)

## Wednesday, July 25, 2018

9:00 am Food Pantry & Clothes Closet  
4:00 pm Youth Band  
6:00 pm Youth Activities

## Thursday, July 26, 2018

9:00 am Nifty/Fifty (FH)  
9:00 am Food Pantry & Clothes Closet

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# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## Hueytown, Alabama

## John's Journal

July 17, 2018

Greetings friends in Christ! Lisa, Catherine and myself would like to say **Thank You** for the wonderful welcome you have shown us as we've come to serve the Hueytown First United Methodist Church. You have supported us with a welcoming Love and Care. We have experienced a home-cooked meal in our refrigerator the day we arrived; and since, pound cake, zucchini, blueberries, chocolate chip cake, our house painted, the yard cleared, the yard mowed, homegrown vegetables, and Sunday night's cookout was AWESOME too. Each of you, all of you, have offered us the Love of Christ, and we love you for it! Bless you all for the love – Hueytown is a GREAT place to be.

A last reminder that Sunday, July 22, 5:00 p.m. will be our last Congregational Laity Listening Session. I do hope and pray that if you did not attend the first, or if you were not on one of the Leadership Teams that met this week, that you will join us Sunday night. It is a blessed time for me to sit back and hear the passion, the excitement, the dreams, some needed attentions and addressing's by you.

I do hope you had a chance this past week to read Exodus, the 18<sup>th</sup> chapter? It was good for Moses to hear that he was not being called to do the Lord's work all by himself. In fact, I am convinced that there was no way Moses could have done the work God called him to do without the help of others. Moses' father-in-law, Jethro, was a wise man who gave Moses wise advice. I know as the pastor at Hueytown, I hear God saying that I need your help (I can't do it all by myself), and I hope you need my help (you can't do God's work all by yourselves)? **WE ARE A TEAM!**

Over the coming week, I would like to point your scriptural study toward one of the greatest pieces of scripture related to "joining together" by the early church to live out God's calling to the lost – Acts 2:36-47. Listen for who God was calling, what God was calling them to, what their obedience to God fruitfully produced, what their individual and collective hearts/hands under the Holy Spirit's direction accomplished? Listen and discover anew the purposes of the church after the giving of the Holy Spirit to God's people...Worship (Preaching and the Sacraments), Membership (Commitment to Jesus Christ), Study, Giving and Fellowship. These are the disciplines of our faith. It's why we do what we do as Christ Followers to the Honor and Glory to God.

What are the next steps for you Spiritually? How does God want to use you? I'd love to hear it.

To Christ's Glory,  
Bro. John V.

## Remember In Prayer

### HOSPITALIZED

#### Recovering at Home

Mava McCrorie	Brooke Wilkins
Nedra Isbell	David Lee
Ruth Bryant	

#### Upcoming Surgeries:

Peggy Hendricks, Knee Replacement 7/18

**Our Christian love and sympathy** is extended to Patricia Pate and family on the death of her sister, Kathy Glasgow Carnes.

#### Special Prayer Requests:

Laurie McCombs, back surgery  
 Charlie Young, leg amputation  
 Michael Farington Richards (cancer)  
 David Baggett at Self's on Hospice  
 Monique Sanders (broken arm)  
 Wayne Hayes, cancer (LaWayne's nephew)  
 John Michael Cunningham (Robin Sparks brother)  
 Jerry Champion  
 Susan Rheuby  
 Patricia Pate  
 Mary Clyde Moore

## Attendance & Contributions July 15, 2018

Sunday School	72
Morning Worship	170
Thrive Service	53
Sunday Night Picnic	135
Received this Sunday	8,447.71
Received for July	29,354.43
<b>Total Received 2018</b>	<b>\$232,809.14</b>

## THANK YOU

Sweet Friends,

Thank you for all the amazing food you sent. Ya'll are th BEST and we love each of you!

The Rheuby Family

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Dear Church Family,

I am happy to report I'm doing very well one month after my spinal surgery. I was comforted knowing so many were remembering me in their prayers. Thank you for holding me up to our Father with heart-felt words in your prayers. In two months I will be out of the back brace and all this will be behind me.

In Christ Love,  
Laurie McCombs

## EMMAUS

If you have ever thought you might be interested in Emmaus, we invite you to go on a walk. The next men's walk is on August 9-12, the next women's walk is September 20-23. This can be a blessing in your Christian life. We have dozens of past Emmaus walkers in our church. Any one of them would be happy to sponsor you.

## DID YOU KNOW . . .

**We have 11 paid employees  
at our church?**

## CONTRIBUTIONS Memorials & Honorariums

### FLOWER FUND

In Honor of Traci, Andrew, and Gage  
on their Birthday  
With love, Sue Sue and Papa Doug

In Memory of Betty Rheuby  
In Honor of the Rheuby Family  
By Sue and Doug Douglass

### STAINED GLASS WINDOWS

In Memory of our grandparents,  
Graham and Minnie Wall  
By Jeri, Jean, Rob and Chuck

### BUDGET

In Honor of Danny and Kay Karr  
By Sharon Sellers

In Honor of Ruth Bryant and Nedra Isbell  
Love, The Edmonson's

### FINE ARTS

In Honor of Our Church's special Nancy's  
Nancy Moon, Nancy Nolen,  
Nancy Hayley and Nancy Simmons  
By Ruth Cale

### CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

In Honor of Caryl Hadder  
By John and Lynda Swiney

## LAITY LISTENING SESSION Sunday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 5:00 p.m.

Our new pastor, John Verciglio, will have a Laity Listening Session on the above date in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your ideas and suggestions for a healthy church and community.



The mission of the Society of Saint Andrew is to introduce people to God's grace in Jesus Christ through meeting their hunger.

Phil places containers in the narthex to collect your loose change. One of us usually stands at the door on the left side of the entrance by the choir to collect change. Then it is sent by our treasurer to the conference office with our monthly report.

Remember...YOUR CHANGE CAN CHANGE THE WORLD!

Carolyn Vines

## AWSOME AUGUST

Is on the way

Prepare yourself for an  
exciting August!

Make plans to be here, you  
won't want to miss a thing!

