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**OFFICE HOURS:**  
**MON., TUES., THUR. 9-4**  
**WED. 9-2**  
**FRIDAY: Closed**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Sunday, February 24, 2019

8:30 am Morning Fellowship  
9:00 am Sunday School  
9:45 am Kid's Worship  
10:00 am Morning Worship  
11:00 am Thrive Worship  
2:00 pm Walker baby shower  
6:00 pm Sunday Night Sing-a-

### Monday, February 25, 2019

### Tuesday, February 26, 2019

9:00am Bible Study  
6:30pm Cub Scout Blue & Gold  
Banquet

### Wednesday, February 27, 2019

6:00 pm Handbells  
6:00 pm Youth  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir  
CC/FP

### Thursday, February 28, 2019

9:00 am Nifty over fifty  
1:00 pm Golden Girls  
6:00 pm Painting Class  
CC/FP

### Saturday, March 2, 2019

7:30 am Men's Bible Study

**First United Methodist Church**  
**110 Sunset Drive**  
**Hueytown, AL**  
**(Return Service Requested)**

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**HUEYTOWN FIRST**  
**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**



## February 18, 2019

Greetings in the Name of Jesus!

The third week of "Summing Up the Sermon" from Sunday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, with regard to our new Vision/Mission and Core Values Statements as related to **CULTIVATION**. **CULTIVATION** – maybe the sermon itself was a bit of a surprise on Sunday? I am speaking from the perspective that what you didn't hear the preacher give you was a rundown on all the opportunities Hueytown F.U.M.C. offers for involvement is a STUDY GROUP. Well, just because you didn't hear it in the sermon, let me remind us all that **CULTIVATING** our relationship with Jesus Christ has to begin with the study of His Holy Word – the Bible. It should be at the top of our practice of the Spiritual Disciplines, spending time discovering God's love in His word, learning the commands of obedience to His ways, and living out the example of His service to love our neighbor as ourselves.

I believe, and we believe at Hueytown F.U.M.C., that every member of the Body of Christ should be actively involved in the study of God's word through a Small Group, be it a Women's group, a Men's group, a Book study, a Bible study, a Discussion study, an Accountability group, Youth group, or Children's ministry. Such groups give each of us accountability, plus an environment to grow in our understanding, knowledge and calling God has for our lives.

**CULTIVATION**, or Spiritual Growth, is intentionally growing deeper in our personal relationship with the Living God, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit. Such spiritual work in our lives is like building a relationship...you have to spend time getting to know the other person. Friends, we as Christ Followers should be hungering to spend as much time as possible with Jesus in order that our lives be a reflection of Him to His honor.

Our new Vision/Mission and Core Values Statements asks of us as friends of Jesus, and members of our great church: "Are we / Am I, spending time in a small group, a Sunday School class, or a Bible Study 2-3 times a month? Is my relationship with Jesus Christ deeper than it was one year ago, five years ago, or when I first gave my life to Christ? Do I have a Spiritual mentor? Am I a Spiritual mentor to someone else? Am I being an encourager to others like Barnabas? Do I read God's word on a daily basis?"

As we ponder what it means for us as Christ Followers to **CULTIVATE** our own faith, potential Christ followers are basing their decisions discovering and investigating God's love on how they see us practicing our faith. Again, let's be keenly aware that who we are in Christ, how our church seeks after Christ, and the ministries of serving like Christ speak loudly to a potential Christ Follower.

Just remember, those closest to you are the ones who are looking for the invite to **CULTIVATE** their life in Jesus...don't take it for granted!

## John's Journal

# Attendance & Contributions February 10, 2019

Sunday School	66
Thrive Worship	33
Morning Worship	145
Sunday Night	31
Received this Sunday	\$11,143.98
Total received for 2019	\$74,499.12

## Special Prayer Requests:

Leigh Edmonson  
 Kasey Parsons Jones  
 Jackie Nivens– Jerolyn Cater's dad  
 Nancy Goodwin  
 Jimmie Holmes  
 Susan Rheuby  
 Mary Clyde Moore  
 Sandra Bracknell  
 James Malone  
 Esther Towers  
 Evelyn Coston  
 Barbara Ezell  
 Lucille Ogletree  
 Shafer family  
 Glen Hooks  
 Trent Smith  
 Raleigh Rheuby  
 Jane Blackwell  
 Judy Mink

Remember In Prayer

Fellowship Host for February:  
**Igniters**

**Central Alabama Handbell Festival 2019**  
 February 22-23 at Pleasant Hill UMC.  
 Closing Concert is 3:00 Feb. 23, 2019

## Low Country Boil

The Saturday morning Men's Bible Study group is hosting a **Low Country Boil** for Thursday, **February 28, 2019**, in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00 p.m. Men... You don't want to miss Shrimp, Sausage, Corn, Potatoes, and who knows what else do you? If you plan to attend would you please contact the church office to let us know as soon as possible? **Contact Laurie McCombs at (205)491-3421. Come join us and bring a friend!**

## Memorials and Honorariums

**Budget-** In Honor of Betty Phares on her 95th birthday. In Memory of Edna Teague & Joseph DePrator. In Honor of Raleigh Rheuby. By Scott & Lisa Edmonson & Boys .  
 In Honor of Danny Karr, Nancy Goodwin, Kasey P. Jones, Jo "Sam" Edmonson, Leigh Edmonson, Meredith Vickers & Sandra Brackneil. In Memory of Kerry H. Morris, Tammy H. Campbell & Joe DePrator. By Marilyn & Alan Brown.

## HAVE YOU DECIDED YET...?

Please don't forget to grab one of the **CONTRIBUTING AS A SERVANT** forms to let our ministry leaders know how you would like to Serve God through the church. Take a look at all the opportunities we have / and we need servants to be involved in ministries. Simply check the circle next to the areas you feel called to serve and return it to the church office. Or, you can drop them in the offering plates. Thanks so much! Bro. John V.

You are invited to a baby tea in  
 Honor of Carrie & Micah Walker

In anticipation of the birth of  
 Cora May.

Sunday Feb.24, 2-3:30pm

In the church parlor.

Please bring a book instead of a  
 card & please sign your book so we  
 will remember your special gift.

Registered at Target,  
 Walmart, & Buy Buy Baby

## New Pictorial Directory

March 4 – 9, 2019

Hours on Mon, Tues, Thursday,  
 Friday (2:00 – 9:00).

**No pictures Ash Wednesday (WEAC and church  
 service that evening).**

Hours on Saturday (10:00 – 5:00)

Scheduling for picture taking has begun for our church's new Pictorial Directory. Penny Berry, Ellie Duncan, and Lisa Verciglio have volunteered to coordinate this project. Tables will be set up before and after both services for the next 3 weeks to schedule you and your family, or you may **call Penny at 491-7487 to schedule. If you can help out on the scheduling desk during the week of picture taking, please call Ellie at 529-7954.**

Brother John would like to see every member/ family in the directory. He said the directory has help him get to know so many of you by name. The last directory was 5 years ago, and there have been lots of changes, so let's all participate in this endeavor! Thank you!!

## Lenten Season News

The Lenten Season is right around the corner. First, an ASH WEDNESDAY service will be on March 3, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. During this time we will have the Imposition of Ashes on our foreheads in the sign of a Cross. Secondly, a Lenten Study on Wednesday nights during WEAC will be offered. We will be using the book by James W. Moore, Give Up Something Bad for Lent. If you would like a copy of this book please contact the church office as soon as possible so that books can be ordered. Lastly, Lenten Devotional Books will be available beginning Sunday, March 3, 2019. The devotional is titled, Living the Gospel Life. Living the Gospel Life will be our Lenten Theme in 2019.

Blessings, Bro. John V.

## We'd love to have you at the INSPIRE Woman's Conference

March 16, 10am-3pm

First United Methodist Church

Speakers:

Lauren Sisler, EPN & the SEC Network  
 Stephanie Rodda, author/foster parent  
 Chandra Splond, blogger/novelist  
 Rev. Tori Hastings, Cantrbury UMC

Just \$20 to hear from the inspiring speakers,  
 enjoy a catered lunch, shop from vendors, win  
 door prizes, and so much more!

Sessions are just 45 minutes long & there is  
 plenty of rest time between sessions. This is a  
 great event for all ages!

Get tickets in the church office