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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, March 17, 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
6:00 pm Sunday Night Sing-a-long

Monday, March 18, 2019

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

9:00am Bible Study

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

5:30 pm WEAC
6:00 pm Handbells
6:00 pm Youth
7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 21, 2019

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

Saturday, March 23, 2019

7:30 am Men's Bible Study

First United Methodist Church
110 Sunset Drive
Hueytown, AL
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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



March 11, 2019

John's Journal

To Christ's Glory,

Hello Friends in Christ! First, thank you for the well wishes after my foot surgery this past week. We appreciate your love and generosity of care. Thank you! Secondly, I thank Bro. John Simmons for preaching the last two weeks. John, we love you and appreciate you and Nancy so much!

Years ago, I read a story about United Methodist Bible Study leader Rev. Zan Holmes. Zan told the story of being hospitalized with numbness from his waist to his feet. Doctors were puzzled at his case. Day after Day they came to his hospital room, straight pin in hand, and pricked his toes to determine if feeling had returned.

Zan states that he himself became discouraged when he could not feel the prick of the straight pin. Zan says that he learned a valuable lesson during that time in the hospital. Zan said, "Sometimes we must pray to feel the pain before we can experience healing." Zan Holmes correctly states that healing comes through the discomfort in our pains. Until Zan could feel the prick of the straight pin, he wouldn't know if he was healing. Zan prayed for pain.

I don't know many who pray for pain, but in ways, we must experience the pain of removing ourselves from being our own roadblock. Whether in our life circumstances, and especially in our spiritual lives, we seek Living. Lent is a time of self-divestment, and a time of being filled by living waters. Jesus told the woman at the Samaritan well in John 4:14, "...but whoever drinks of the water I give him will never thirst...the water I give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." Through her pain, the Samaritan woman told Jesus all about her pain. John 4:39 culminates her story saying, "Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him (Jesus) because of the woman's testimony."

Where are our lives experiencing numbness? Life matters; decisions made; decisions to make; decisions we didn't make; hurts you've experienced; hurts you've handed out; loneliness; anger; pride; elite egotism; spiritual elite-ness; self-pity; self-sufficiency? I often need the Holy Spirit to prick around in my life to remind me of who's I am; who's honor I seek to bring attention to; and that God chose me, and I accept His love and grace.

Lord, throughout these forty days, help us to feel again. Heal our numbness of heart, mind, and soul. Fill us with everlasting water! Amen.

Bro. John V.

Attendance & Contributions March 10, 2019

Sunday School	66
Thrive Worship	35
Morning Worship	153
Sunday Night	38
Ash Wednesday	125

Received this Sunday **\$8,386.29**
 Total received for 2019 **\$100,494.81**

Special Prayer Requests:

Leigh Edmonson
 Sheri Kinard-Laurie McCombs friend
 Jackie Nivens- Jerolyn Cater's dad
 Jimmie Holmes
 Susan Rheuby
 Mary Clyde Moore
 Sandra Bracknell
 James Malone
 Esther Towers
 Evelyn Coston
 Barbara Ezell
 Lucille Ogletree
 Glen Hooks
 Trent Smith
 Raleigh Rheuby
 Jane Blackwell
 Judy Mink
 Tim Wilding

Remember In Prayer

Fellowship Host for March:

Berthelle Waid

Memorials and Honorariums

BUDGET- In Honor of Susan Rheuby & John Verciglio. Love, Scott & Lisa Edmonson

PARLOR FUND- To some of the sweetest ladies in the world. Ann, Betsy, Delle, Gayle, Joan, Kathryn, Kristy & Nell. Love, Jeri, Candi & Carolyn.

BUDGET- In HONOR of Halen, Byron & Stephanie on their birthday. Love, Sue & Papa Doug.

Lenten Season News

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.

W.E.A.C. MENU FOR MARCH 20th.

Pork Loin, Cream potatoes, Peas, Tossed Salad, Rolls and Cobbler with Ice Cream.

Bridal Tea

You are invited to a Bridal Tea Honoring
Shelby Graham McAlister
 Bride of
Nathan McAlister
 March 24, 2019 from 2-4pm
 Hueytown First United Methodist Church
 Church Parlor
 Registered at Target & Bed Bath & Beyond



Easter Lilies will be on sale soon!



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. Return it to the church office or simply check the circle next to the areas you feel called to serve and drop in the offering plate. Thanks so much!



Upcoming concerts for

SonRise

March 17th 2019 -Birmingham Rehab East, 2:00 PM
 April 28th 2019- Red Ridge UMC, 4 PM
 May 19th 2019- Bethlehem UMC, 10:30 AM

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

March 16, 10am-3pm
 First United Methodist Church

Speakers:

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