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FRIDAY: Closed

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, November 10, 2019

8:30 am Morning Fellowship
9:00 am Sunday School
9:45 am Kid's Worship
10:00 am Morning Worship
11:11 am Thrive Worship
12:30 pm Staff Meeting
3:00 pm Cub Scouts Den Mtg
5:30 pm Hymn Sing

Monday, November 11, 2019

9:30 am Koinonia
6:30 pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, November 12, 2019

9:00 am Tues. Morning Bible Study

Wednesday November 13, 2019

9:00 am Food Pantry/ Clothes C.
5:30 pm W.E.A.C.
6:00 pm Youth
6:00 pm Handbells
7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Thursday, November 14, 2019

9:00 am Food Pantry/ Clothes C.
9:00 am Nifty over Fifty
10:30 am Bible Study
1:00 pm Golden Girls

Saturday, November 16, 2019

8:00 am Men's Bible Study

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HUEYTOWN FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

John's Journal

November 4, 2019

Greetings in the Name of Jesus Christ! Sunday, November 3, 2019, was a special service of remembering and celebrating the lives of those we know as "The Saints" of 2019. I am thankful that we also named those previous Saints. It was a beautiful day calling not only the names of those from our congregation who have finished their course in the faith, but those whose lives have touched the remnant of the Body of Christ at Hueytown F.U.M.C. through all of you! I thank those of you who added names to the celebration of God's Kingdom Saints for truly reminding us just how connected we are as God's people – member or not. God's light truly did shine bright!

Let's be honest for a moment friends…not one of us has been hidden far enough under a rock to not know that the church in the West/in America/in Alabama/in Birmingham/in Hueytown is struggling. The struggle is real and the struggle is an ever-increasing number of "they" associated as people who say "they" do not feel/do not believe/do not need the church nor what it has to offer today. The struggle goes even deeper to hear people say "they" have no need of/no desire for a relationship with the Living God – Jesus Christ!

I can't help but wonder if "they" are making their decisions based on what "they" perceive from those of us called Christ Followers? Have we become a people who have made prayer, worship, study, service, giving, and fellowship just what we do when we have time, when it's convenient, when it benefits us, when we don't have anything else to do? Are we more committed to us and our calendar, or to God? I don't know about you, but I find all the time, all the resources, all the benefits, and all the commitment in the world to do what I want to do instead of what I need to do/should do.

I've noted that on Sunday, November 17 th , we celebrate Pledge Sunday under the 2020 Ministry Year theme of "Gifted and Called!" Again, I am hopeful that you will be joining us over the next two weeks as we Celebrate the opportunity to make a mark in God's Kingdom. God is calling us to step forward with our time, our talents, our skills, our abilities, our talents, a passion of the heart, and yes, our resources. This is a chance for us to change the perceptions of "they" when it comes to Hueytown F.U.M.C. We are called to fulfill the calling He has made in each of our lives through His church and in our community to reach people for Jesus. There is no question about it, you/me/we…are "Gifted and Called!" And yet, God gives over to us the decision of the how, the when, and the where we will find ourselves participating in that calling. Yes, it's up to us(you and me) to decide to be intentional about being an active Life Living Follower through God's instrument of the church...live "Gifted and Called!"

To Christ's Glory, Bro. John V.

Sunday's sermon scripture: Luke 20:27-38

Attendance & Contributions
November 3, 2019

Sunday School	71
Thrive Worship	36
Morning Worship	163
Sunday Night	30

Received	11/3/19	12,081.10
Total as of	11/3/19	372,475.08

Special Prayer Request

Kristin Douglass
Carolyn Grimes
Emily Hollingsworth
Betty Jane Kornegay
Susan Rheuby
Joe Moore
Glen Hooks
Trent Smith
Jimmy Koikos
Sheri Kinard
Beverly Seale
Tommy Hudson
Lucille Ogletree
Carol Madderra
Kathryn Cole
Sandra Bracknell
Jami Payne

Fellowship Host for November:
Berthelle Waid

PLEDGE SUNDAY

We will celebrate "Gifted and Called" on Sunday, November 17, 2019. A wonderful time of commitment to God's calling as He is doing a great thing / a new thing in the life our church. Join together as we offer our committed selves to God's work.

MEN

Come join on Sat. Mornings in the Parlor at 8:00 am. We have pretty good coffee, great fellowship & interesting conversations in our study.

Pictorial Directories are here.

Come by the Church office to pick yours up.

Join us for a "Cup of Calm" Nov. 10, 2019 Sundays @ 6:00p.m. in the Parlor

NEW SMALL GROUP

Brother John Simmons
"Welcome to Holland"
sermon series is available on CD in the Church Office. A $5.00 donation to the Children's Community Christmas Party is appreciated.

November 6	November 13
BEEF STROGANOFF	CHICKEN SPAGETTI
NOODLES	BABY BLUE SALAD
BUTTER PEAS	ITALIAN BREAD
PRETZEL SALAD	STRAWBERRY CAKE
CHEESY GARLIC BISCUITS	
SUNDAES	

W.E.A.C.

Make your reservations.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY IS DECEMBER 14, 2019

November Happenings!!

6 th - WEAC
11 th – Veteran's Day
13 th - WEAC
17 th – Pledge Sunday
20 th – Last WEAC for the Fall
27 th – Church Office Closes at Noon
28 th – Thanksgiving Day – Church Closed

Harvest Sunday

Bring your fruits and vegetables to Sunday worship.

November 24, 2019

Memorials & Honorariums

CHOIR FUND– In Memory of Frances Gilmore from Fine Arts Committee.

FOOD PANTRY– In Memory of Mary Clyde Moore from Fine Arts Committee.

BUDGET– In Memory of Mary Clyde Moore by Catherine Autry.

BUDGET– In Honor & Memory of Mary Clyde Moore. Through her life and the life of her family, many lives have been touched and changed that will have an impact for generations. by Ricky & Jennifer Linn.

BUDGET– In Memory of Meredith Vickers & Mary Clyde Moore by Anne Horton.

BUDGET– In Memory of Mary Clyde Moore by Bobby & Arline Blackwell.

BUDGET– In Memory of Mary Clyde Moore & in Honor of Joe and Family. In Memory of Hershel Mitchell. In Honor of Tammy Carpenter by Buster and B.J. Kornegay.

BUDGET– In Memory of Hershel Mitchell by Cheryl Finch.

BUDGET– In Memory of Mary Clyde Moore. In Honor of Joe Moore and Family by J.D. Nichols.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY- In Memory of Sara Lee Nichols on her birthday from David & Barbara Nichols.

FOOD PANTRY– In Memory of Mary Clyde Moore by Leo & Carol Madderra.

GROUNDS FUND– In loving Memory of my Dad, A.J. Bishop & in Honor of my Mother, Rose Mae who took good care of him for 70 years. In Honor of my sister Connie Woodward & Woody. In Honor of Mandy, Brian, Lauren & Allie Davis from Debbie Bishop and Mac.

thank you!

Dear Friends,

First of all, let me catch you up on what's going on with us now that we are living in Cullman. Our house is perfect for two people; one-step in and out, small yard, less square footage to keep clean, so we are in a good place. I mis our sunroom for all the plants to spend the winter in, but we've got a large garage with space for them. We like Cullman very well. It's a thriving town and has lots of good restaurants and stores. There is even a Warehouse Discount Grocery that is owned and managed by the same company that owns Food Giant, so we fell at home there.

Most importantly, we fell welcome at Cullman First UMC. Everyone we've met has been friendly and they have a traditional service we enjoy. There is a bell choir also that I've been invited to join. All in all, we are settling in well.

Most of all we are so very grateful for the many happy and fulfilling years we spent in Hueytown. We have so very many happy memories all of you dear people. We have been very blessed over the years to have been sent by the conference to good churches where we were accepted and lo9ved, but God overwhelmingly blessed our lives when we came to our beloved HUMC. Words are a poor way to try to tell you all how much you have honored and blessed us by you love, friendships, and kindness. We were honored by a beautiful retirement party given by all of you and Jack's 40th anniversary of his 39th birthday party was special because you all shared it with us; but the reception for us as we said farewell was above and beyond! Thank you, sweet friends of Hueytown first for the money tree and gifts. It has enabled us to have cash to live on until we can get a new bank here. More than we can express, the love and care that you showed to us by your good wishes and support means the world to us. We will always hold the memories we have shared while we served God together in a special place in our hearts. We meet many people in our lives, but few people can say that so many people were so dear and cherished as you all are to us.

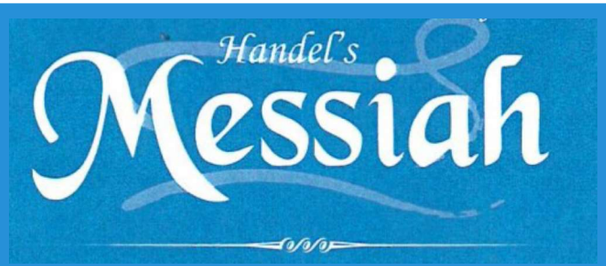
Once again, thank you all for the thoughtful gifts and most of all, for your friendship, acceptance, and love. Dear hearts, we cherish you all.

God bless and keep you now and until we meet in His glorious presence.

Much love,

Jack and Peggy Hendricks

The Alabama Civic Chorale presentation of…….



Sunday Nov. 24, 2019 at 3:00 pm.

Riverchase United Methodist Church