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UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, May 17, 2020

10:00 am Traditional Service will be streamed through our church Facebook page.

6:00 pm Bible Study (Facebook)

Monday, May 18, 2020

Tuesday, May 19, 2020

Wednesday May 20, 2020

6:30 pm Bible Study (Facebook)

Thursday May 21, 2020

6:30 pm Painting Class will be streamed through our church Facebook page.

Friday, May 22, 2020

Saturday, May 23, 2020

Sunday's sermon scripture:

1 Kings 19:15-21

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John's Journal

Dear Friends in Jesus,

May 11, 2020

Hello Friends of Jesus! I pray each of you are well as you receive this week's Newsletter. As we continue our journey in these days of "Sheltering in Place" and "Social Distancing" due to the COVID 19 Pandemic, I am aware we all look to being in a familiar pace of life called "normal." The real question around that familiar pace is what will a "new normal" be like? At this time no one can really give us a one-size fits all description or picture of "new normal."

On Tuesday, May 12, 2020, pastors and lay leaders from the Central District (our district) of the North Alabama Conference, as well as pastors and lay leaders in all districts of the North Alabama Conference, are meeting regarding the Re-Opening of our churches for in-person ministry once again. Our discussions will revolve around how "new normal" protocols and procedures are set up to allow us to resume in-person ministry across the church. I look forward to informing you on what looks to be our protocols and procedures of Re-Opening in-person ministry at Hueytown First United Methodist Church.

In my writings over the last weeks, I hope that you have felt informed and feel that you have been made aware that changes are coming to "how we've always" done things, and how what our former "norms" have been will change at Hueytown First United Methodist Church. Sisters and Brothers in Christ...I love you all and I pray that you know that-I believe you know that. Please know that it isn't only my love for you, but it's the love of your staff and leadership to help with what the "new norms" might become. I have reminded us for several weeks now that even when we are able to Re-Open for in-person ministry... the COVID 19 Virus is not a virus that "goes away." It will be up to all of us to be amenable to what's asked of us to allow us to move forward out of the Pandemic we are in. I thank you in advance for all that you have done, and all that you are doing, and all that we will do together to ensure everyone's well-being.

On Sunday, May 17, 2020, I invite you to join our Facebook Live Worship Services as we congratulate our Graduation High School Seniors with a video of their accomplishments as they move forward in future endeavors of life. It will be a special time. We will also be acknowledging the Graduating College Students by name and school as well. You can see the acknowledgement during the Traditional Worship Service at 10:00 a.m., on the Hueytown First UMC Facebook Page.

My friends...stay connected: your church office is open on Mondays and Thursdays from 9:00 to 12:00 noon; Bible Study is on Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m. and Sunday nights at 6:00 p.m. (Studying Acts of the Apostles) on the Hueytown First UMC Facebook Live Page. Worship is each Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship, and 11:11 a.m. Modern (Contemporary) Worship on the respective Facebook Live Pages.

Thank you for being the Body of Christ. Thank you for all you do! Praise God that you are believers who are willing to stand in the gap when the world is in turmoil! Our 2020 ministry theme at Hueytown F.U.M.C., Gifted and Called! Be creative to use your gifts to stay connected and know that God is calling you to be the one to share His love with the stranger to God's Love and Mercy. Be trusting, Be believing, and Be living in such a way that says Jesus was who He said He was!

In Service to Christ, Bro. John V.

Attendance & Contributions

May 11, 2020

Morning Worship 694
Thrive 467

Received 5/11/20 \$ 8710.97
Total as of 5/11/20 \$ 162,649.81

OUR GRADUATING SENIORS

May 17th will be our "Senior Sunday".



Joey Conti
Drew Dalton
Lauren McKenzie
Jordan Mize
Chloe Shafer
Bailey Walker

MEMORIAL & HONORARIUMS

MAINTENANCE-In Memory of Bruce Thompson by The Tuesday Night Guys.

BUDGET- In Memory of Bruce Thompson by John & Lynda Swiney.

FOOD PANTRY- In Memory of Bruce Thompson by Cheryl Finch.

LIVE STREAM- In Memory of Bruce Thompson & Bruce Bonner. In Honor of Jake Barrett, Jay Bates, Sandra Bracknell, Shafer Family, Bro John & all those making the on-line worship services possible... by Kay & Danny Karr.

BUDGET-In Memory of Ken Nolan. In Honor of Nancy Nolen and Family... by Kay and Danny Karr.

SONRISE-for Mother's Day, In Memory of my grandmothers Lottie Higgins & Ethel Bishop. In Honor of my mother Rose Bishop. In Honor of my sisters Connie Woodward & Theresa Williams... by Debbie Bishop.

BUDGET-In Honor of the 2020 graduates. Congratulations & Blessings for each of your future endeavors. In Honor of Dr. Steven Williamson... by Maria & Doug Williamson.

BUDGET-In Memory of Ken Nolan by Doug and Sue Douglass.

PENNY & A PRAYER

The children are sponsoring for the month of May a "PENNY & A PRAYER" campaign. The children have money cans you can use to put a penny in each day along with saying a prayer for those who need food with donations going to the "Sheltering in Love" a COVID-19 UMCOR relief fund. At the end of May please turn in your donation to the church office.

Please do not leave items for the Clothes Closet until further notice. Volunteers are following the "STAY AT HOME" guidelines. Thank you-

REDBIRD IS SEPT. 13-19. OUR COUNT IS TURNED IN, IN JUNE.

Our 10:00am Sunday worship is being streamed from a link on our Facebook page.
THRIVE service is being streamed at 11:11am.

NEW SMALL GROUP STARTING

A new small group is starting called **Making Love Last a Lifetime**. The class is geared to married couples, engaged couples, and couples dating that believe they are moving toward marriage. The class is a 6-7 week class and will be led by Pastor John V. and Mrs. Lisa. If you would be interested in such a class please contact Pastor John Verciglio at: jvercig@hueytownfirst.com. A time and day will be set once it is known of the interest in the class.

VBS has been set for June 15-18. This is a "wait and see" situation regarding how churches will be allowed to open to large groups.

Special Prayer Request

Sarah Grace Oden
Margie Ingles
Susan Rheuby
Glen Hooks
Tommy Hudson
Craig Postovit
Janie Thornley
Michael Black
Jake Barrett
Alesia Shafer
Phil Shafer
The Shafer Family

Our Christian love and sympathy are extended to The Ken Nolan Family at his passing on 5/8/20.

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BECOME A MEMBER

Have you been visiting with us here at Hueytown F.U.M.C. for a time now? Have you considered making Hueytown F.U.M.C. your church home? A new class is beginning for our visitors that want to know more about F.U.M.C. and becoming a member. The class is called **HELLO**. Why **HELLO**? **HELLO** is "a greeting - a welcome." We are using **HELLO** not only a way to greet and welcome you, but as an acronym to teach: **H.E.L.L.O.**

How we seek to follow God

Every body has a place at F.U.M.C.

Living after Christ's Example

Loving like Christ Loved

O - Loving & Living in MY CIRCLE of Life

The first **HELLO** class will be on Sunday, March 29, 2020. It will be held in our parlor at 12:15 p.m. and last about an hour. A light lunch will be served on this day. If you interested in the class, please contact Laurie McCombs in the church office at (205)491-3421. Please let us know by Thursday, March 26, 2020. **Blessings, Bro. John V.**

Thursday Night Painting Class
live from our Facebook page
at 6:30 PM on 5/14/20

