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FRIDAY: Closed

Upcoming Events

Sunday, Aug. 13, 2020

10:00 am Traditional Service from the main Sanctuary will be streamed through our church Facebook page.

11:11 am Thrive Service from the Heritage Sanctuary will be streamed through our church Facebook page.

6:00 pm Bible Study (Facebook)

Monday, Aug. 14, 2020

Tuesday, Sept. 15, 2020

Wednesday Sept. 16, 2020

9:00am Food Pantry

6:30 pm Bible Study (Facebook)

Thursday Sept. 17, 2020

9:00am Food Pantry

6:30 pm Painting Class will be in the Fellowship Hall. Limited to 10 artist. It is also being streamed through our church Facebook page.

Friday, Sept 18, 2020

Saturday, Sept 19, 2020

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

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



John's Journal

September 7, 2020

Hello Friends! I'm in hopes our Newsletter finds each of you well this week. It was good to be back to In-Person Worship on Sunday, September 6, 2020. Yes, we have returned to In-Person Worship with Social Distancing and wearing masks. As you will find in the Newsletter, the Trustees request for our personal safety, and for the safety of others, to adhere to the "Asks and Requests" related to COVID-19 parameters. Participating in Worship at this time during the Pandemic is a personal choice by each of us. We are to remain diligent in attending only if "you feel safe" to do so, and to do so "knowing you have no symptoms" of COVID-19. If at this time you do not feel it's safe for you to return to worship, please take advantage of our "On-Line" capability to be in worship. A new link has been set up from our webpage that will take you to the worship Livestream each week. We want everyone to be connected!

As I write you this week, let me remind each of us that COVID-19 is active and very transmittable. Unfortunately, we have experienced this at Hueytown First United Methodist Church in our Child Care Center, and now in our Food Pantry Program. The Child Care Center is closed until at least September 15, 2020, and our Food Pantry Program will NOT MEET on September 9th or September 10th. Both of these areas are in process of cleaning and decontamination. I anticipate the Food Pantry being able to open September 16th and 17th if the team so desires and no further positive tests are presented.

On a more positive note, on Tuesday, September 1, 2020, the Trustees and the Executive Leadership Team (SPRC, Trustee, Finance, Financial Treasurer, Administrative Board Chair, Lay Leader and Pastors) discerned that our facility can begin to phase-in Ministry Meetings and Sunday School gathering. **What does this mean?** It means that if a Sunday School Class has a room big enough to meet that a 6-foot Social Distancing requirement can be met and participants will wear masks when meeting, they can gather for 1 hour. It means that ministry / committee meetings can likewise take place under the same parameters.

What if my class meeting area doesn't allow those parameters? It means to contact the church office so that we can schedule your group for an appropriate meeting place/room. **PLEASE DON'T JUST PICK ANOTHER ROOM AND MEET.** Such a decision makes it impossible for Jay Bates to keep our facility clean and sterilized without knowing about room usages. Communication will go a long way for all of us to get back to some range of normal.

Lastly, **what does this mean with regard to funeral meals and use of the kitchen?** It means that with the same parameters of a 6-foot Social Distancing requirement as a set-up for families and participants attending, and servants wearing masks/gloves except for times of eating. **Why is this important to the servants?** Utilizing the kitchen without following these parameters puts our Child Care Center at risk for the daily preparation and serving of meals. Anyone in the kitchen presents potential unknown spread of COVID-19, and none of us wants any of the such to happen.

I hope this gives each of us needed information. I hope this gives us all some hope that we are moving forward.

In Service to Christ, Bro. John V.

Attendance & Contributions

Sept. 6, 2020

Traditional	36
Online	258
Thrive	8
Online	120

Received 9/6/20 \$ 14,629.97

Total as of 9/6/20 \$ 282,336.24

- Sarah Grace Oden
- Margie Ingles
- Susan Rheuby
- Glen Hooks
- Kim Hooks
- Tommy Hudson
- Craig Postovit
- Jake Barrett
- Jack Moon
- Sandra Bracknell
- Joan Verchot
- Bill Isbell
- Dr. Rick Owen

Special Prayer Request

Happy 100th birthday to Jane Sligh. Help us celebrate with a drive-by parade on Sept. 12 @ 10:00 am. Line up at 9:30 behind the church in your decorated auto.

Memorial & Honorariums

BUDGET– In Memory of Kathryn Cole, Anne Thompson, Bruce Thompson, Joe and Mary Clyde Moore, Doug Douglass, Ken Nolen and Carl Ray Gober. In Honor of Jim Cole, Joe Moore Family, Sue Douglass, Nancy Nolen and Jerry Gober by Jack and Peggy Hendricks.

RED BIRD MISSION TRIP– In Memory of Joe Moses. In Honor of Donna Moses and family and the Red Bird volunteers by Jack and Peggy Hendricks.

FOOD PANTRY– In Honor of Stuart McCrory and in Memory of Mava McCrory. In Honor of Peggy and Becky Horne, Ann McCown, W.T. and Mary Frances Bell by Jack and Peggy Hendricks.

BUDGET– In Honor of Bro. John and Nancy Simmons, Bro. John and Lisa Verciglio and the Seekers Class from Jack and Peggy Hendricks.

SONRISE– In Memory of Joe Moore by Jim and Ann McCain.

RED BIRD MISSION– In Memory of Joe Moses and In Honor of Donna Moses, Kay and Danny Karr and, Sharon Sellers by Jim and Ann McCain.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY– In Memory of Carly Ray Gober and In Honor of Jerry Gober by Jim and Ann McCain.

FOOD PANTRY– In Memory of Kathryn Cole. In Honor of Patsy and Bill Crump and Nell and Hugh Hudson by Jim and Ann McCain.

FOOD PANTRY– In Memory of Joe Moore and in Honor of the Moore Family by J.D. Nichols.

LIVE STREAM– In Memory of Joe Moore and in Honor of the Moore Family by Bobby and Sandra Bracknell.

BUDGET– In Honor of "Sam" on her 90th birthday. Love, Scott & Family.

BUDGET– In Memory of Joe Moore by Betty Phares.

BUDGET– In Memory of Joe Moore and in Honor of Jay Bates, Laurie McCombs and Jim and Ann McCain by Buster and B.J. Konegay.

BUDGET– In Honor of Ann McCown, The Edmonson Boys and SonRise by Jane Coleman.

BUDGET– In Memory of Floy Spencer III. In Honor of Ann & Jim McCain, Brenda Loveless, Ann McCown and Kim Ferguson-Hooks by Scott and Lisa Edmonson.

BUDGET– In Memory of Joe & Mary Clyde Moore by Don Hubbard.

BUDGET– In Honor of Evelyn Coston by John and Lynda Swiney.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY– In Memory of Joe Moore by Carolyn and Phil Vines.

Red Bird volunteers leave for Kentucky on Sept. 13th and return home on Sept. 18th.

Christmas Gift Boxes for Developing Nation Children

our website at www.umdisasterwarehouse.com DEADLINE IS SEPT. 19, 2020

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"Asks" and "Requests"

1. Returning to Worship means Personal Responsibility. Come to Worship ONLY if you feel comfortable doing so. If anyone feels uncomfortable about returning for Worship at this time, it's fine to STAYHOME. All services will be available on Facebook Live weekly. Traditional Worship: Hueytown First UMC; Modern Worship: Thrive Hueytown.
2. ENTER and EXIT points to the Sanctuary will be clearly marked. Please abide by the marked areas of entry and exit.
3. Sanitizing stations will be available for use as you enter and as you exit the church facilities. PLEASE USE THEM!
4. DIRECTIONAL walking paths will be clearly marked within the building and the Sanctuary. Please stay within the directional flow to keep all of us safe.
5. Available Restrooms will be clearly marked (not all restrooms will be usable). Restrooms must be sanitized by the user before exit for the next person (supplies provided). If you are unable to do such, notify an usher before entry to ensure sanitizing after use.
6. All In-Person worshipers are asked to wear their own protective facemask covering (unless otherwise instructed by doctor). There will be a limited number of disposable masks available.
7. Seating areas will be clearly marked for "6-foot distancing." Please abide by the marked seating.
8. Seating will be clearly marked to encourage "family togetherness." Please abide by the marked seating.
9. AT THIS TIME – there will not be a Community Coffee or Water Station available.
10. AT THIS TIME – refrain from handshakes, fist-bumps, hugs, etc. We will not have a formal greeting time in worship.
11. AT THIS TIME – there will be no "bulletins/orders of worship." Worship information will be on the screens.
12. AT THIS TIME – there will be no common offering plates passed. Please use the identified "Offerings" basket either when entering or exiting worship.
13. AT THIS TIME – Holy Communion will be served through prepackaged elements. Logistics still being discerned at this time.

Thursday Night Painting Class

Reserve your spot for Aug. 27th when we will be painting this two cherries still life. Only 10 spaces available. 6:30 in the Fellowship Hall. \$15.00 per person.



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