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

## Upcoming Events

**Sunday, Nov. 22, 2020**

**9:00 am** Adult Sunday School  
**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.  
**4:00 pm** Young Adult Meet  
**6:00 pm** Bible Study (Facebook)

**Monday, Nov 23, 2020**

**Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2020**

**Wednesday Nov. 25, 2020**

**6:30 pm** Bible Study (Facebook)  
**7:00 pm** Choir Practice

**Thursday Nov 26, 2020**

**6:30 pm** Painting Class will be in the Fellowship Hall. Limited to 10 artist.

**Friday, Nov. 27, 2020**

**Saturday, Nov. 28, 2020**

**Sermon: When Did We \_\_\_\_\_?"**

**Scripture: Matthew 25:31-46**

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

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**HUEYTOWN FIRST**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



John's Journal

**NEWSLETTER**

November 16, 2020

Greetings Friends in Christ! Writing to you this week, it's just unbelievable that we are just a few short DAYS from the beginning of the Advent Season (November 29, 2020). That also means that in days (10 at this writing) you and I will be celebrating Thanksgiving, followed in twenty-nine days – Christmas! Friends, where are the days going?

I have already shared my hopeful excitement for the days ahead in 2021. I've also shared with you that I am equally excited about our upcoming ministry theme for us as Members and Friends to Hueytown F.U.M.C., "**A Charge to Keep I Have.**" You will see below our 2021 Estimate of Giving Pledge Card. Please be on the lookout for one being mailed to you in the November End of the Month Newsletter.

**A Charge  
to Keep!**

HUEYTOWN FIRST UNITED METHODIST  
CHURCH PLEDGE CAMPAIGN 2021

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Env.# \_\_\_\_\_

Pledge Amount \_\_\_\_\_ mo./or \_\_\_\_\_ anl.

Please designate that which applies to you:

I am a new pledger... YES or NO! I am making a step toward Tithing... \_\_\_\_\_.

I am now becoming a Tither... \_\_\_\_\_ I am a Tither... \_\_\_\_\_.

I am making a step beyond a Tithe to become a Giver... \_\_\_\_\_.

I am making a step beyond a Gift to become a Kingdom Builder. Please contact me \_\_\_\_\_.

\*this instrument is not a binding contract. It can be changed at any time, and is your estimate of intent for 2020 giving at Hueytown F.U.M.C.

As your pastor, I know that I am writing a very GENEROUS Body of Believers in Jesus Christ! You have been so very faithful to the continued ministry of this great church throughout history, and you have been faithful through a continuing Pandemic. I know that you believe in God, and that you believe in His church...a church that is brining Hope and Light in the midst of question and darkness.

I wrote on November 2, "*Our goal is to return our response cards by Sunday, November 29, 2020, the first Sunday of Advent.*" **We are changing that date to Sunday, December 6, 2020.** Let us plan to bring or mail-in our 2021 Pledge Cards by December 6, 2020. Like no other time throughout the history of the church is it more important for us to give our Finance Team a solid indication of our estimated hopes of tithes and offerings. Let us all be responsive by December 6, 2020. Thank you so much friends of Christ!

Again, let us be in prayer during this time for our completing our calling for 2020, and for a wide-eyed 2021 ministry theme, "**A Charge to Keep I Have**", as well as how you and I will respond to God's calling for ministry through our great church in 2021.

In Service to Christ,

Bro. John V.

## Attendance & Contributions

Nov. 15, 2020

Traditional	53
Online	159
Thrive	12
Online	65
Received 11/15/20	\$ 4838.00
Total as of 11/15/20	\$ 344,633.09

Sarah Grace Oden  
 Susan Rheuby  
 Glen Hooks  
 Kim Hooks  
 Tommy Hudson  
 Craig Postovit  
 Jack Moon  
 Sandra Bracknell  
 Joan Verchot  
 Sandra Oden  
 Mary Catherine Northcutt  
 Ann McCain

*Special Prayer Request*

PLEASE REMEMBER TO TITHE

## Memorial & Honorariums

FOOD PANTRY- In Memory of Kathryn Cole. Love Jim

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY- In Memory of Erin Walton Moses by Donna Moses.

BUDGET- In Honor of our Veterans. Love, Marilyn & Alan Brown.

BUDGET- In Honor of all church members. Love, Diane Love

### HARVEST SUNDAY UPDATE

We will not have our regular Harvest Sunday this year. We will not bring fresh fruit and vegetables to the sanctuary. Instead we are collecting CANS of green beans, corn, and jelly for the food pantry. Please start dropping them off now in the Food Pantry, Discipleship room or office.

### Christmas is coming!!!

Update on the Community Christmas Party. We are beginning to receive family lists from the schools. We have volunteers shopping. We will continue to receive names and if you are interested in shopping please let me know. Thank you for the cash donations that continue to come in. Also thank you for the socks and underwear that have been donated. If you would still like to donate socks and underwear the following sizes are needed. **Also please no briefs for boys...boxers only.** Our community is made better by each donation. Thank you for your outpouring of love.

### Size Needs

**Girls...**Underwear-Size 5,8,14,16 and up (women's would be appreciated) Socks-All sizes

**Boys...**Underwear-Size 4,5,6,8, 14, 18,20 and up (men's sizes would be appreciated) Socks-All sizes

Thanks you to all for continuing to support this wonderful ministry!

### PECAN SALE

Halves & pieces, \$12.00 per pound. Delivery prior to Thanksgiving. Place order with any member of UMW or come by the church office.

### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Sunday morning 9:00 am. in the Fellowship Hall Starting November 1<sup>st</sup>. Using the Adult Bible Study Materials.  
 Sponsored by Seeker SS Class  
 John Simmons, Leader

### BIRTHDAY CALENDAR UPDATES

We need your updates for the new year's birthday calendar. Please get these in by mid December. Sooner is better than later.

### ATTENTION YOUNG ADULTS

The Young Adult Meeting Scheduled for Sunday, November 22, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. will gather in HERITAGE HALL at 4:00 p.m., not the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for making note of the change of meeting place. Don't forget to call by Thursday, November 19<sup>th</sup> if you are in need of childcare.  
 See you all then!

### FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

1. Plastic Bags
2. Bar Soap



### Thursday Night Painting Class

November 19, 2020 **THREE TREES!!!**  
 ... Come join the fun. 6:30pm.  
 \$15.00. Call the office to reserve your spot.