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FRIDAY: Closed

## UPCOMING DATES

**Sunday March 12, 2023**

**BOY SOUT SUNDAY**

9:00 am TRADITIONAL Worship

10:10 am SMALL GROUPS

**NO THRIVE THIS SUNDAY**

5:00 pm YOUTH

11:10 am **FUNDRAISER LUNCH  
BY THE BOY SCOUTS, Fellowship  
Hall.**

**Monday March 13, 2023**

9:30 am KOINONIA

3:00 pm ALPHA

5:30 pm SISTERS BIBLE STUDY

**Tuesday March 14, 2023**

5:00 pm WEAC

6:30 pm HOLY LAND TRAVEL  
MEETING

**Wednesday March 15, 2023**

**Thursday March 16, 2023**

9:00 am Nifty/Fifty

6:00 pm PAINT CLASS

**Friday March 17, 2023**

**Saturday March 18, 2023**

8:00am MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

**Sunday March 19, 2023**

9:00 am TRADITIONAL Worship

11:11 am THRIVE WORSHIP

10:10 am SMALL GROUPS

5:00 pm YOUTH

### CLOTHES CLOSET NOTICE;

Due to some needed renovations in the clothes closet and the upcoming seasonal changeout of clothes, we are asking that no clothes/items be brought to the clothes closet at the present time. We will put out a notice when we are able to receive items again. Thank you

### THANK YOU...

Thank you for all the prayers, phone calls, texts, and cards I received during my illness and surgery. A special thanks to John V. and John S. I am feeling better and stronger everyday. Thank you again for your kindness and thoughtfulness.

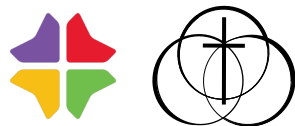
Love, Steve Douglass

### WEAC - MARCH 15

Pork Loin, Creamed  
Potatoes, Peas, Slaw,  
Cornbread, Cobbler,  
Ice Cream

### WEAC - MARCH 8

Taco Salad, Ice Cream



### PREACHING INFORMATION

March 12 th

John 10:15-18 "Standing in the Gap"



### IMPORTANT DATES IN 2023

- ✦ Holy Week Worship, April 3 – 7, 2023
- ✦ Easter Egg Hunt, April 8, 2023
- ✦ Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023
- ✦ Birmingham Barons Ballgame, Tuesday, April 11, 2023
- ✦ D-Now Youth Weekend, April 21 – 23, 2023
- ✦ Walking Track Dedication and Lunch on the Grounds, Sunday, May 7, 2023
- ✦ Vacation Bible School, June 11 – 15, 2023
- ✦ We are America, A Discussion with Teddy Roosevelt & Samuel Adams, June 24, 2023
- ✦ Back to School Sunday, August 6, 2023
- ✦ World Communion Sunday, October 1, 2023
- ✦ Blessing of the Animals, Sunday, October 1, 2023
- ✦ Trunk or Treat, Tuesday, October 31, 2023
- ✦ Community Thanksgiving Service, November 19, 2023
- ✦ First Sunday of Advent, Sunday, December 3, 2023
- ✦ Christmas Eve Services, Sunday, December 24, 2023

### SERVANT MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

One of our greatest community outreach opportunities in our church is our Child Care Center. Talking with Stephanie Darabaris (Child Care Center Director), she and her staff could use a few volunteer servants during the week. Christian Curriculums are being taught to the children that come to our Child Care Center. There are two immediate needs for some: First, there is a need for some Office Help from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Copying help, and general curriculum help for the children while the children are napping. Secondly, the Child Care Center could use some morning door help from 7:00 to 8:00 a.m., Monday -Friday. We have a very full Child Care Center (over 100 children now), and mornings need some loving welcoming from us as God's people. Friends, this is your Child Care Program, and it needs the loving presence of support to the Director, the Teachers, the Parents, and the Children. Answering this call to serve just might bring someone into the presence of Jesus that they might not otherwise experience if we don't step up to serve...who is hearing God's call and is ready to answer, "Here I am Lord!" Please contact me at [jvercig@hueytownfirst.com](mailto:jvercig@hueytownfirst.com) or [Stephanie Darabaris at firstmethodistcdc@gmail.com](mailto:stephanie.darabaris@firstmethodistcdc@gmail.com).



## Attendance & Contributions

### March 5, 2023

Traditional	92
Traditional Online	336
Thrive	28
Thrive Online	150
Budget 3/5/23	\$10,043.00
<b>Total as of 3/5/23</b>	<b>\$63,161.00</b>

### Special Prayer Request

Jo (Sam) Edmonson	Jack Moon
Donna Moses	Jane Sligh
Jan Towers	Hugh Hudson
Roy Vines	Steve Douglass
Chris Cater	Nancy Goodwin
Dan Berry	
Karen Murphree Parsons	

### HOLY LAND 2024

There is an interest meeting to travel to the Holy Land, **February 13, 2024 to February 24, 2024**, on **Tuesday, March 14th, 6:30 p.m.**, in the Disciple Room. Lisa and myself, we've already registered, would love to have you join us (Catherine too) for an 11 day trip to see the land where Jesus lived, was baptized, performed miracles, taught, bleed drops of sweat like blood, was arrested in the Garden of Gethsemane, and so much more. This is a trip of a lifetime to experience in person the Holy Word of God that we study and engage as a part of our Spiritual Lives. We at First Methodist of Hueytown are joining a sister church, Saint Mark Methodist Church, from Northport, Alabama, on our trip. Rev. Bo Lloyd and his lovely wife Kris, along with members from their church are traveling as well on this special trip. Come join this great trip!

I hope to see you on **Tuesday, March 14th** at the meeting.

**Blessings, Bro. John V. And Lisa!**

JUST THINK ABOUT IT



March 6, 2023

Greetings in the Name of Jesus! I am hopeful that each of you are well as we are journeying our way toward Easter in this Lenten Season. We have walked 12 days together as of Tuesday, March 8th, and we have 28 days ahead of us. I am grateful for this time together that we share in our individual walk with Jesus, and I am grateful for this time together as God's church. I am praying for your spiritual journey, and the church's journey...please continue to keep me in your prayers as well!

I want to lift up a few things to be aware of that are upcoming: **MOVING FORWARD 218 POSTERS**...the posters are located in the main hallway from the West Entrance toward the church office. Make sure you stop by to take a look at the work you did as a reading, praying, journaling and discussion people of God. Thank you for your work. I am setting a time for Rev. Lana Johnson to come meet with the **MOVING FORWARD LEADERSHIP** group for our next steps.

**Are you a baseball fan?** Make sure you contact the church office to let us know that you are going to our Church Night at the Birmingham Barons, April 11, 2023. We need a solid headcount as soon as possible to order tickets. **Do you want a NEW Church T-Shirt?** Jennifer Kilburn has been on the job getting a Church T-Shirt designed by a local shirt vendor. In the coming days, look for two shirts that will be on display for preordering of shirts. The shirt cost (due to its colorful nature) will be \$25. \$5 from each shirt will benefit Capital Expenditure needs. Let's buy a shirt and share the colors of God's love with our community wherever we go! **Can you lend our Children's Ministry a Hand?** It's that time again for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 8, 2023, here at First Methodist. There are eggs to be filled, games to be played, and volunteers needed to welcome the community. Please contact Lacie Oden (Children's Director) as soon as possible.

**Can you help with the Youth D-Now Weekend?** The Youth of our church and their guest will be gathering for a wonderful Spiritual Weekend Much like the Emmaus Weekend on April 21-23, 2023, here at First Methodist Church. If you can do a snack, open your home, be a prayer partner, offer a financial gift, be an on-sight helper...please contact Catherine Verciglio (Youth Director) as soon as possible. **Walking Track Dedication**...is set for Sunday, May 7, 2023. What a great day to be thankful and take our worship outside! On the first Sunday of each month, the Emmaus Community of our church has a lunch... I'm asking them to share this day with the Walking Track Dedication Service and Lunch on the Grounds. Let's do this at 10:00 a.m. with Worship, and Sunday School/Small Groups right before at 9:00 a.m. It's going to be a great day.

Isn't great to be an active church? Thanks be to God!

*Bro. John Verciglio*

Our Christian love and sympathy are extended to the Dora Chaffin family at her passing on 3/5/23. Services will be Friday, March 10, 2023, at Valhalla Midfield. Visitation is at 10:30 a.m., followed by a service at 11:00 a.m. Both at Valhalla.

**\*\*\*NO\*\*\*THURSDAY NIGHT PAINT CLASS March 9th. Instead we are going to the Hueytown Art Show Reception. North Highland's Baptist Church, 6:00pm, 3/9/23.**

## MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM

**BUDGET**— In Honor of Nell & Hugh Hudson, Steve Douglass & Desa Cater Perry. By Lisa & Scott Edmonson and Family.

**BUDGET**— In Honor of Hugh Hudson. By The Adult Sunday School Class.

**Budget**— In Memory of Dora Chaffin. In Honor of John Chaffin. By Scott & Lisa Edmonson.

**BUDGET**— In Honor of Patti & Donald Wright, Jo Edmonson and Jane Sligh. By Buster & Betty Jane Kornegay.

**YOUTH D-NOW**— In Honor of Tammy Carpenter. With Thanks, John Simmons.

**BUDGET**— In Honor of Patti & Donald Wright. By Brad & Shellye Hinton.

**HILLSIDE SLIDERS**—In Honor of my Family. By Rose Bishop.



*Easter Lilies*  
\$15.00

No. of lilies \_\_\_\_\_

Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of:

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In Memory of:

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Presented by:

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We only have a limited number of lilies being delivered this year so get your reservation in quickly.

*Order Deadline:  
Monday, March 13th*