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UPCOMING

Sunday August 20, 2023

9:00 am WORSHIP, EDMONSON BOYS
10:10 am SMALL GROUPS
5:00 pm YOUTH

Monday August 21, 2023

8:00 am SACK GROCERIES
6:30 pm FINANCE MEET

Tuesday August 22, 2023

Wednesday August 23, 2023

9:00 am FOOD PANTRY

Thursday August 24, 2023

9:00 am FOOD PANTRY
9:00 am NIFTY/FIFTY
6:00 pm PAINTING CLASS

Friday August 25, 2023

Saturday August 26, 2023

8:00am MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Sunday August 27, 2023

9:00 am WORSHIP, SONRISE
10:10 am SMALL GROUPS
4:00 pm ADMIN. BOARD MEET
5:00 pm YOUTH

Dear Members of First Methodist,

Thanks to each of you for the donations, cards, phone calls and especially the prayers for both of us over the past few weeks. Your thoughts and prayers keep us connected to our church family and mean the world to us.
In Christian Love,
Wayne and Judy

MERRY CHRISTMAS (in August!)

Shopping for the Community Children's Christmas party has begun. There are a lot of great sales on toys, coats, etc. that are needed for the children/families. In order to take advantage of these sales, monetary donations are appreciated. We have served over 40 families consisting of approximately 120 children the past several years. Each year the numbers tend to increase. Because of the continued support of this outreach we never have to turn anyone away. Christmas will be here soon!!!



In Touch

WEEKLY
FIRST METHODIST CHURCH of HUEYTOWN
AUGUST 14, 2023
NEWSLETTER



GLOBAL
METHODIST CHURCH

LASER FOCUSED....MOVING FORWARD 218

The next meeting of the MOVING FORWARD TEAM is Tuesday, August 8th. Discussion on August 8th centered around the need for us as a congregation to have a Laser Focus on what it means to reach the culture/community we live in. A resource lifted up was James Emery White's book, *Meet Generation Z*. In White's writing he shares, "...our primary cultural currency (tool to reach all unchurched folks) is going to need to be explanation...we have to begin by saying, *'this is a Bible. It has sixty-six books. There's an Old Testament and a New Testament. It tells the story of us and God.'*" The MOVING FORWARD TEAM is also honing-in on a key part of reaching the unchurched...the whole church (us, the people) have to be available to God, that He might use us in the reaching.

The MOVING FORWARD 218 TEAM is working in the framework of what is called **Guardrails**. Think of **Guardrails** as that which keeps us traveling on good ground, traveling on a path that we are intended to travel upon, and guides that keep us from veering off course, from veering from our intended path, and from losing direction on the journey. **Guardrails** are the posts between which all our decisions find litmus testing.

Our Guardrails are:

The Witness Statement: *To Be Passionate Ambassadors of God's Extravagant Love by Boldly Sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ with Everyone.*

The Foundation Blocks: fundamental elements that define our congregation. They are: *God, Jesus Christ, The Holy Spirit, The Triune God, The Bible, Biblical Authority, Prayer, Evangelization, Outreach, Missional Focus.*

The next meeting of the MOVING FORWARD TEAM was Tuesday, August 15, 2023, 6:30 p.m., in the Disciple Room. Look for next week's update!

Keep your MOVING FORWARD TEAM in prayer: Scott Edmonson, Tab Blair, Andy Nolen, Tammy Carpenter, Catherine Verciglio, Danny Karr, Kay Karr, Jeff Noe, Wanda England, Gala Douglass, Bill Xenos, Melissa Xenos, Diane Love, Gil Higgins, Tracey Berry, Caryl Hadder, Dave Hadder, Scottie Blair, and Ellie Duncan.

A key question, "Are you available for His calling?"

FINANCE MEETING
MONDAY AUG. 21st,
6:30pm

ADMIN. BOARD
MEETING
SUNDAY AUG. 27st,
4:00pm

Attendance & Contributions

August 13, 2023

Budget 8/13/23.....\$8,404.00
Total as of 8/13/2023.....\$351,231.50

Traditional worship
Awesome August.....79
Online.....550

Special Prayer Request

Jim McCain	Jerry Gober
Nancy Goodwin	Alan Douglass
Chris Cater	Beverly Lawley
Kay Vines Huey	Shirley Jones
Jan Towers	Karen M. Parsons
Wayne Mink	Carolyn Vines
	Connie Woodward

IMPORTANT DATES IN 2023

- ✓ World Communion Sunday, **October 1**
- ✓ Blessing of the Animals, **Sunday, October 1**
- ✓ Trunk or Treat, Tuesday, **October 31**
- ✓ Community Thanksgiving Service, **Nov. 19**
- ✓ First Sunday of Advent, **Sunday, Dec. 3**
- ✓ Christmas Eve Services, **Sunday, Dec. 24**



**THURSDAY NIGHT
PAINT CLASS. 6:00pm
8/17/23**
You are invited. 7/10/23
AND WILL BE CREATING A
“TANNEHILL CHURCH”
COME JOIN IN THE FUN!
CALL 205-401-3124

DRESS FOR THE WEATHER.....

With the Summer hot temperatures, our church family and ministers are dressing in cooler attire.

JUST THINK ABOUT IT



Greetings, Friends of Jesus! WOW oh WOW...what a summer of record heat and humidity. It has literally been breath-taking at times this summer. I do hope and pray that each of you are staying hydrated and as cool as possible. Keep a check on one another and your neighbors! If you don’t know your neighbor, now is a good time to introduce yourself, and ask if they are okay. Why? Because we are Friends of Jesus!

A continued word of appreciation to Joel Henson for our Awesome August Musical Worship Month. On Sunday, August 20 th , we welcome our own **Edmonson Boys**, and on Sunday, August 27 th , we welcome **SonRise**! Come Celebrate Jesus with us on these last two Sundays!

Be in Prayer and Join if you can at the first meeting of the Provisional North Alabama Conference of the Global Methodist Church meets August 17-19, 2023, at Clear Branch Methodist Church in Argo, Alabama. Here are the meeting times:

**First Meeting of the Provisional North Alabama Conference of
The Global Methodist Church**

Thursday, August 17, 2023 – 7:00 p.m. Clergy Executive Session (Clergy Only)

Friday, August 18, 2023 – 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Official Business Session
(All Welcome to Attend)

Friday, August 18, 2023 – 7:00 p.m. Ordination Service **(All Welcome to Attend)**

Saturday, August 19, 2022, 8:30 a.m. -12:00 Noon **(All Welcome to Attend)**

The month of August has been quarterly meeting month for Leadership Committees. By the time you receive this newsletter, Trustees will have met (8/14/23), and SPRC will have met (8/16/23). A Finance Meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 21, 2023, 6:30 p.m. The next Administrative Board Meeting is Sunday, August 27 th , 2023, 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Bro. John Verciglio



August 20th, 9:00am

August 27th, 9:00am



MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM

RED BIRD– In Memory of Dale Sellers. By Cheryl Finch

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CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS– In Memory of Rev. Jack Hendricks. By Terry & Peggy Horne.

FOOD PANTRY– In Memory of Rev. Jack Hendricks. In Honor of Peggy & Family. By Becky Horne.

FOOD PANTRY– In Memory of Jack Hendricks. By Wayne & Judy Mink

BUDGET– In Memory of Dale Sellers. By David & Barbara Nichols

BUDGET– In Honor of Sharon Sellers & Family. In Memory of Dale Sellers. By Jeff Higgins.

RED BIRD– In Memory of Dale Sellers. By Jeri & Jimmy Harris.

CHILDREN’S—In Memory of Barbara Yardley. By Mary Frances Bell.

YOUTH– In Honor of Gayle Hager. In Memory of Joyce & Floyd Lunceford. By Mary Frances Bell.

RED BIRD– In Honor of Sharon Sellers & Cheryl Finch. In Memory of Dale Sellers. By Mary Frances Bell.

CAPITAL FUND– In Honor of Connie Woodward, Judy Mink, Carolyn Vines, Penny Berry, Nancy & Jack Moon, Warda England and Jimmy Harris. In Memory of Jeanna Verciglio Cork, Arnold Postovich & Rev. Jack Hendricks. By Mary Frances Bell.

JUST A REMINDER...



Here at First Methodist Church, we have a guiding reminder of Ministry Calling from God established around what we call **“Celebrate, Cultivate, Contribute, Connection”**. We **Celebrate** Jesus in all our facets of Worship to bring Honor, Praise and Glory to His Holy Name. We **Cultivate** our relationship with Jesus by being and staying engaged in the study of God’s Holy Word. We **Contribute** by giving our whole selves to God. But we are specific about what it means to **Contribute**...our time, our talents, our skills, our abilities, our monetary resources, our service to the church and to those outside of the church. Lastly, We **Connect** with others. Both inside and outside of the church, as noted about we service God by serving others. We want to tell the story of Jesus’ Love with our hands and our feet. This is who we are at First Methodist Church of Hueytown!