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**MON. - THUR. 9-2**  
**FRIDAY: Closed**



## UPCOMING DATES

Sunday November 19, 2023

PLEDGE SUNDAY

THANKSGIVING SUNDAY

9:00 am TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

10:10 am SMALL GROUPS

3:00 pm HANDEL'S MESSIAH @  
Riverchase United Meth. Church

Monday November 20, 2023

5:30 pm SISTERS STUDY GROUP

6:30 pm DISCOVERY

Tuesday November 21, 2023

6:30 pm MOVING FORWARD  
TEAM

Wed. November 22, 2023

OFFICE CLOSED

Thursday November 23, 2023

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THANKSGIVING DAY

Friday November 24, 2023

Saturday November 25, 2023

8:00am MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Sunday November 26, 2023

9:00 am TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

10:10 am SMALL GROUPS

**THANKSGIVING SUNDAY IS NOVEMBER 19, 2023. BRING CAN FRUIT AND VEGATABLES TO THE WORSHIP SERVICE AND PLACE THEM IN THE BASKETS AT THE ALTER.**

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY** is fast approaching. We could still use some volunteers to help the day of the party with greeting and interacting with the families. We could use a few more "shoppers" too. Our party is 1:00 pm December 9, 2023.



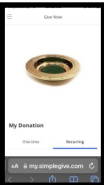
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# In Touch

WEEKLY NOVEMBER 13, 2023  
FIRST METHODIST CHURCH of HUEYTOWN  
NEWSLETTER



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## Is There Room for Jesus in Your Christmas?

An Advent Sermon  
Series at First  
Methodist Church  
of Hueytown

### Join us for: Is There Room for Jesus in Your Christmas?

The Advent season is upon us, and we want to invite you to join us for Advent. The season is scheduled with something for everyone. We'd be so honored and privileged to have you join at First Methodist Church to Celebrate the New Born King, Jesus! Here is an outline of what's scheduled for the season...

Week One

December 3rd

**A New and Glorious Morn...Celebrating the Light and Life of Christmas,**  
Chancel Choir Christmas Performance  
Children's Christmas Mission Celebration, 1:00 p.m. & 2:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall

December 9th

Week Two

December 10th

**Is There Room for Jesus?**, Isaiah 9:2,6-7, Bro. John Simmons

Week Three

December 17th

**Who Needs to be a part of our Christmas?**, Isaiah 40:3-5, Bro. John Verciglio

Week Four

December 24th

**The Seeker in a Non-Seeker World**, Matthew 2:10-11, Bro. John Verciglio  
**A Baby Changes Everything**, 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Service with Holy Communion, Luke 2:1-15, John 3:16-19, Bro. John Verciglio

December 24th

First Week of Christmas

December 31st

**How Did Jesus Show Up in Your Christmas?**, Luke 2:19-21, Bro. John Verciglio

Sunday Morning Worship Services are at 9:00 a.m., in the Main Sanctuary. The Church Office will be closed on the following Christmas and New Year's Day Holidays: Monday, December 25-Tuesday, December 26, 2023 & January 1 – January 2, 2024.

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## Attendance & Contributions November 12, 2023

Worship 9:00 am.....110  
Online.....340

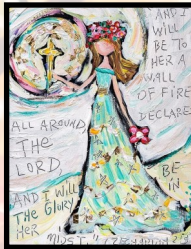
Budget 11/12/2023.....\$5,741.00  
Total as of 11/12/2023....\$462,426.00

## Special Prayer Request

Connie Woodward	Jan Towers
Nancy Goodwin	Karen M. Parsons
Beverly Lawley	Joan Verchot
Kay Vines Huey	Hinky Verchot
Doc Cater	Ann McCain
Jack Moon	

## BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

Please contact Patti Wright or the church office with any birthday updates. A new Birthday Calendar will be printed soon.



## THURSDAY NIGHT PAINT CLASS

11/16/23 we will be painting this "Sweet Angel". All supplies are included for \$18.00. We meet at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome to come. Call the church office to reserve your spot.

## PECAN SALE IS COMING.....

This year we are asking for payment at time of order. One pound bags of either pieces or halves. Any profits made will go to church landscaping. \$14.00 per bag. Chocolate covered are a little more. No delivery date yet.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS BAR SOAP.



November 19, 2023

**Hello Friends!** Peace in the Name of Jesus to you and your families! On Sunday, November 19, 2023, I will offer a message related to our corporate and personal financial stewardship calling as members and friends of First Methodist Church. Our human tendency may be to prepare to hear a message about *'what are we going to give to the church financially in 2024 with regard to the giving of money.'* Other takes on the message could / might be, *'well, it's that time of year for the money talk.'* Still others, *'we didn't do this last year did we?'*

As your pastor, let me be honest, it's not a message that should have to be preached...not really! One of the greatest joys as a believer should be our chance to give back to God from the blessing's He's bestowed on us. But, to not preach about the giving of Tithes and Offerings would be to leave our greatest human opportunity to honor God unaddressed. From the very first mention of tithing in the bible, giving is addressed of offering to God FIRST, out of all that God has provided. Remember, our earning capacity is 100% related to the abilities, skills and talents God deposited in us that make us who and what we are...Amen?

It is my hope and prayer that no one can say that Stewardship hasn't been preached on this year. If we are tempted to do so, remember this first, Stewardship isn't just about money...it's about all the sermons over the last 50+/- weeks that have called attention to our prayers, our presence, our gifts (time, talents, skills, abilities, money), our service and our witness. It's about all the sermons over the last 50+/- weeks that have called attention to our worship, our prayer, our study, our service, our fasting, our giving and our fellowship. Hopefully, we've been well "steward-ized" in this last year. (that's a word isn't it?)

The sermon on Sunday...it will not be about anything less than our hopeful anticipated giving for 2024. The Finance Team has to have some projection tools to plan and support your ministry hopes and dreams of sharing Jesus with each of us, and with those we have the honor and privilege of sharing Jesus with that come in touch with this great outpost of God's love, mercy and grace called the Church. I look forward to responding this Sunday with each of you in this chance to commit this very important part of my personal life to Christ. I hope and pray that you feel the same way in joining me!

## WORSHIP SERVICE TIME CHANGE IS COMING

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024

WORSHIP MOVES TO 10:00 A.M.

A Sunday will look like this beginning January 7, 2024:

9:00 a.m. Sunday School Time\*\*

10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (Children's Church)

11:00 a.m. Sunday School Time\*\*

**\*\*Children's Sunday School meets at the time chosen by the Young Adult Class – The Bridge**

Please remember that at this time, it is anticipated that Children's Ministry Sunday school will run simultaneously with the meeting of Andy/Kristy Nolen's class (The Bridge), since the majority of children attending come from this class. A children's church time at 10:00 a.m. will take place after the Children's time in worship is completed.

Blessings,

Bro. John Verciglio

## SERMON & SCRIPTURE INFORMATION NOVEMBER 19th, 2023

Sermon: "Part of the Whole that Belongs to God"

Scripture: Leviticus 27:30 & Proverbs 3:9

## MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS**— In Honor of all that Work& Support the Children's Christmas Party. By Mike Blackwell

**BUDGET**— In Honor of Carolyn Vines. By The Adult Sunday School Class.

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS**— In Memory of Jim McCain. In Honor of Ann McCain. By Nancy Nolen.

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS**— In Honor of Joan Verchot. By Nancy Nolen.

**BUDGET**— In Memory of Jim McCain. By Nancy & Linda Hayley.

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS**— In Memory of Jim McCain, Floyd Luncford and Norma Morton. By Becky Champion

**CAPITAL FUNDS**— In Honor of Judy Mink. In Memory of Jim McCain & Tim Wilding. By Jack & Nancy Moon.

**CHOIR**— In Memory of Norma Morton & James Thrasher. By Jack & Nancy Moon.

**YOUTH**— In Honor of Landon Lacy & Mims Morris. By Jack & Nancy Moon.

## YARD SALE NEWS

The word "Thanks" is not sufficient enough to offer **Penny Berry, Ellie Duncan** and their YARD SALE TEAM for the fabulous success this past Saturday of The Yard Sale. It was reported to me on Sunday, November 12th, that proceeds right now are at **\$3,521.25**, with a few more dollars expected. WOW oh, WOW! Thank you also goes to every person who donated items, came to shop, supported the Yard Sale Team volunteering to support them, carried goodies to shopper's cars, and advertised to family and friends about the big day. I cannot begin to explain the amount of time and effort that Penny, Ellie and their team put into the Yard Sale. I know God used them to the max on Thursday through Saturday. And...they were in church Sunday morning! Hey, let Pennie and Ellie know of your appreciation as they led us to make a dent in the Capital Needs for our great church. **We love you Penny, Ellie and Team!**