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



## UPCOMING DATES

### Sunday March 17, 2024

8:45 am IGNITERS FELLOWSHIP  
9:00 am PARLOR FELLOWSHIP  
9:00 am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL  
10:00 am WORSHIP  
11:10 am THE BRIDGE FELLOWSHIP  
11:10 am CHILDREN SUNDAY SCHOOL  
11:10 am YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

### Monday March 18, 2024

10:00 am WEAC RESERVATIONS  
**MUST BE IN BY 10:00am**  
3:00 pm DISCOVERY

### Tuesday March 19, 2024

### Wed. March 20, 2024

5:30 pm WEAC MEAL SERVED  
6:00 pm YOUTH  
6:00 pm HAND BELL PRACTICE  
7:00 pm CHOIR PRITICE

### Thursday March 21, 2024

9:00 am NIFTY/FIFTY  
6:00 pm PAINT CLASS

### Friday March 22, 2024

Saturday March 23, 2024  
8:00 am MEN'S BIBLE STUDY



**WEAC MENU**  
**MARCH 20 th**  
Ham, Hashbrown Casserole,  
Pineapple Casserole, peas, rolls,  
strawberry cake.

## Children's Easter Egg Hunt

Please make sure you have **March 16, 2024**, marked on your calendar. This date is our Church's Community Easter Egg Hunt. I know that Cheryl Ingels has been reaching out and sharing with you about this fun day. Please make sure to wear your church T-shirt and come welcome our community to this fun day for Children. Let's be a friend of Jesus to our Community...we can never know who just might need to be loved by Jesus with Skin!

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GLOBAL  
METHODIST CHURCH



FIRST METHODIST CHURCH  
of HUEYTOWN

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MARCH 11, 2024

NEWSLETTER

## THE HEART MATTERS..... Lenten Preaching Theme Schedule

February 18th – Psalm 51 & Psalm 139:23-34 Finding Mercy and Forgiveness

February 25th – James 1:13-25 Naming the Sin of My Desires and Motives

March 3rd – 2 Chronicles 34:1-33 Stolen Attention and Affection from God

March 10th – James 2:1-9 Partiality is Lukewarm, Making Wrongs Right

March 17th 1 Peter 1:3-9 Living that I Don't have to overcome Sin

March 24th – Luke 19:28-44 Letting Go, and Letting God

March 31st Sunrise Service led by Youth Group 6:30 a.m.

March 31st Luke 24:1-8 It Matters What Your Heart Believes

## WEAC

**MEAL RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN BY 10:00am MONDAY.**

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**10:00am**  
Mon.

The WEAC season returns beginning 5:30 pm, Wednesday, February 14, 2024. The Wednesday's of WEAC are as follows:

February 14, 2024  
February 21, 2024  
February 28, 2024  
March 6, 2024  
March 13, 2024  
March 20, 2024

SERVING STARTS  
@  
**5:30pm**

**The serving time for the Spring Session will be 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.** If you arrive prior to the 5:30 p.m. serve time, please come into the Fellowship Hall and enjoy some fellowship time with each other, as you catch up on how the week has progressed thus far.

## CLOTHES CLOSET

We are asking that no clothes be brought to the clothes closet at this time. We have an over-abundance of clothes and will soon be processing the changeover from winter to spring & summer. Thank you for all the excellent items of clothing and shoes that have been received and passed on. Also thank you for the two clothes racks that were provided for our use. If you have any questions, please ask Ellie or Penny.

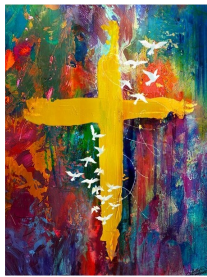
## Attendance & Contributions

March 10, 2024

Sunday Worship .....107  
Online.....354  
Budget 3/10/2024.....\$9,120.00  
Total as of 3/10/2024.....\$75,008.00

### Special Prayer Request

Connie Woodward	Jan Towers
Karen M. Parsons	Jean Jordan
Jack Moon	Jeri Harris
Raymond Widener	Bobby Glass
Dan Berry	Terry Horne



### THURSDAY NIGHT PAINT CLASS

**3/21/24** we will be painting this "Cross with Doves". 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. Or Call Laurie @ 205-401-3124

## Inspire

### Woman's Conference

Ladies, make plans to attend the 6th Annual Women's Inspire Conference on Saturday, April 6th from 10am to 2pm in the Fellowship Hall. Excellent speakers have been secured, as well as some exciting entertainment, and of course, a delicious catered lunch from Ashley Mac's. Tickets will be sold beginning Sunday, 3/10/24 in the Narthex or in the office and will be \$20.00. Invite your family & friends to hear inspiring speakers, entertainment, a delicious lunch, & enjoy some fellowship & great door prizes.

**Saturday, April 6, 2024**

JUST THINK ABOUT IT



March 11, 2024

Greetings Friends! I pray that you are doing well today as you receive this weeks Newsletter. It's my hope and prayer that you are feeling God's presence through our Lenten preaching and teaching theme of "The Heart Matters." Selfishly, it has offered my heart much growth in this season thus far. Who would have thought how much influence the heart has in how we do, and in some situations, don't live out God's calling daily. It really is no surprise that Jesus taught us in Matthew 6:21, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." It's important to recognize in His teaching that our hearts tend to follow what we seem to value. It causes me to ask, "what do I value?" You? I lift us up to continue striving to observe a Holy Lenten season by participating in the Spiritual Disciplines of Worship, Prayer, Fasting, Study, Giving, Serving and Fellowship.

As I write on this Monday, March 11 th, the re-paving and repair work on our church parking lot has started. We anticipate good weather most of the week, which lends toward a completion of the project. BUT...we need to be aware that problems usually arise. Thank you for being FLEXIBLE THIS WEEK as our lot is worked on.

Let me share please...folks are asking, how are we paying for the project? The bid for the project came in at \$59,500. The Finance Team/Administrative Board in 2023 approved the use of \$34,500 from a Money Market Account to be used for the project. The Childcare Center is contributing \$15,000 on the project as well. The balance the church needs to pay is \$10,000 +/- . The church has received some capital contributions, the November 2023 Yard Sale was a great success, as was the July 2023 'We Are America' program...all produced funds toward Capital Projects, which includes the Parking Lot. The parking lot will be paid in full at its completion.

Let me continue to share...As you know, we've had some Capital repairs all throughout 2023, and some of the Capital Funding raised and/or given in 2023 has supported paying for those projects, along with designated funding for such projects. All in all, as Stewards of all that God has blessed our lives with, it is a time God calls on us to make an Easter Offering toward Capital Needs and setting up a Capital Reserve for needs. Friends of Jesus, this isn't an Easter Offering where we rationalize that we have some "given debt" that needs to be paid and we'll give some proportion of gifting, it is a moment where we offer God a free will gift based on The Heart...your heart, my heart, our hearts. Might I boldly suggest...Don't overthink this; don't think there is some secret project someone at church wants done without sharing; don't say, 'I've done my part'; don't lean into suspicion of 'what's the money for?'...**JUST TRUST YOUR HEART TO MAKE AN EASTER OFFERING GIFT.** I'll tell you what it's for...It will be used for Capital needs now, and upcoming capital needs of God's Church, your church home. Lisa and I are giving a gift this week! Just open your heart to God's blessings, and offer! Give your gift to: EASTER OFFERING!

I am praying for each of you in this Lenten Season as we all journey toward the Resurrection of Jesus Christ by and through the power of Almighty God.

*Blessings,  
Bro. John Verciglio*

### Pastoral Care

Just a note of reminder friends, your pastor is here to serve your spiritual needs. Sometimes those needs present themselves in health matters and issues. We respect every person's personal choice of announcing needs based on health matters, or any other life matter for that fact. But please know...we are here for you if you are having a surgery, a procedure, etc. Our calling is to get up early in the morning and come pray for you and your family in times of need and emergency. Please know YOU ARE NOT getting us out early, inconveniencing us, or taking us away from other matters. You are important to us and it's an honor to serve you, especially in a time of need. Again, it is your choice and we respect that...but know we are here!

## MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM

**BUDGET**— In Honor of Terry Horne, Bobby Glass, Dan Berry & Jeri Harris. By Jack & Nancy Moon.

**YOUTH**— In Honor of Jerry Gober on her 90th Birthday. By Jack & Nancy Moon.

**COMMUNITY FUND**— In Honor of Bro. John Verciglio & Lisa, Bro. John Simmons & Nancy, Jimmy & Jeri Harris. By Jack & Nancy Moon.

**BUDGET**— In Honor of Jeri Harris. By John & Lynda Swiney.

**BUDGET**— In Honor of Dan Berry, Tracy Berry, Terry Horne, Jeri Harris & Bobby Glass. By Scott & Lisa Edmonson.

I wish to thank all of you for your many acts of kindness shown to me during my recent hospitalization. Your cards, calls, contributions and visits have made this "bump in the road" easier. Many thanks to Bro. John Verciglio and Bro. John Simmons for their calls and visits. I covet your prayers.  
Sincerely, Mary Frances Bell

## CHURCH DUMPSTER ISSUES

Members and Friends, many of you have noticed that our Church Dumpster has been locked. Why? Around the middle of December 2023, the staff of the church and the staff of the Childcare Center began to notice that someone has been dumping construction and roofing trash in the dumpster. The police were called and routine checks have been being made. Unfortunately, rascals have continued to find a way to bypass the stepped up patrols, and just ignored the "No Dumping Signs." This left the Trustees no choice than to step up the type dumpster we have with locking doors, and a non-opening top. Please know that THE CHURCH DUMPSTER IS AVAILABE FOR YOU TO USE. You will have to get a key from the office to use it, or get a key to use it on the weekends, BUT, it is there for your use. Keys for the Dumpster are being made for the Food Pantry and the WEAC teams for their use. If there is group other than these two that needs access to the dumpster, please let the church office know as soon as possible. Thank you for your understanding, and for navigating with us a very big inconvenience.

# Inspire

## 6th ANNUAL WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

*Saturday, April 6, 2024 (10:00 am to 2:00 pm)*

**First Methodist Church**



**110 Sunset Drive, Hueytown, AL**

**\*INSPIRING SPEAKERS**

**\*WORSHIP MUSIC**

**\* CATERED LUNCH**

**\*FUN & FELLOWSHIP**

**JUST \$20.00**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE IN THE CHURCH OFFICE**

**205-491-3421**

***Guest Speakers:***

**Angela Harris**

**Laurie McCombs**

**Datha Whitfield**

**Janet Jackson**

**Includes lunch & door prizes**