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MON. - THUR. 9-2
FRIDAY: Closed



UPCOMING DATES

Sunday Jan. 26, 2025

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'S SUNDAY
SCHOOL
5:00 pm YOUTH

Monday Jan. 27, 2025

9:00 am T.O.P.S.
6:30 pm BOY SCOUTS

Tuesday Jan. 28, 2025

Wednesday Jan. 29, 2025

6:30 pm YOUTH MEET

Thursday Jan. 30, 2025

9:00 am NIFTY/FIFTY

Friday Jan. 31, 2025

OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday Feb. 1, 2025

8:00am MEN'S BIBLE STUDY



Sign up for Sunday flowers on
the poster in the Narthex.

Adult Winter Coats

ARE IN NEED FOR THE CLOTHS CLOSET



ANY ADULT SIZE

WEEKLY In Touch GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH FIRST METHODIST CHURCH of HUEYTOWN Newsletter JANUARY 20, 2025

Hey Friends! Since our last Newsletter, 2025 leadership meetings have been continuing in the New Year. On Sunday, January 19th, the Administrative Board met. The meeting offered us a report of how ministry finished in 2024; carry-over needs for 2025, and a discussion of where we are as a church in ministry at the beginning of 2025. Let me share a few things:

Financially, how'd we do in 2024? We finished well for the calendar year 2024, with income exceeding expenses by \$11,960. Compared to 2023, that was a \$32,985 shift financially. In 2024, we ended the calendar year in the red to the tune of <\$21,025>. For 2024, the congregation gave approximately \$15,000 more in dollars, and the church expensed less in the approximate amount of \$17,000. In 2024, F.M.C. had 125 financial givers. For the 2025 Pledge Campaign, 61 folks offered a Pledge Card. In 2024, F.M.C. had 22 givers to the church who did not complete a Pledge card, but gave regularly. Your church received approximately \$60,180 from givers who did not complete a Pledge Card. Lastly, the average general budget gift to F.M.C. in 2024, on a weekly basis, was \$63.25 (\$63.25 x 52 week's x 125 givers).

What are our carry-over needs from 2024 to 2025? The SPRC is still working to fill some staff positions...Part-time custodian; Part-time Children's Director, and Part-time Organist. At this time, interviews have been happening and continue to take place with the Custodian and Children's Director Positions.

Where are we as a church in 2025? The discussion was open and candid with regard to First Methodist Church ministry. We as a church are actively in the midst of what is called 'Attrition.' Attrition is the process of decrease through loss. We are not in a process of growth, and plateau is beginning to slip. A discussion point was raised that we are at a 'Tipping Point' as a congregation in 2025. In short, our congregation has to embrace the call to reach out beyond ourselves to the unchurched of our community. I am hopeful that in the days ahead, as you hear from leadership about this particular matter, you will have already been at work reaching the unchurched that are a part of our community. I am actively sharing with Leadership teachings on Evangelism in today's culture. BUT...the most important Evangelism the congregation can offer anyone is to have a passion in our hearts to 'invite Someone Personally' to be a part of your church. It doesn't matter how old or how young they are...invite them and join them!

Remember...Jesus' mission is our mission... "To seek out and save the lost." (Luke 19:10)

In Service to Christ, *Bro. John Verciglio*

Just Think About It...

Attendance & Contributions

Jan. 19, 2025

Sunday Worship Attendance.....91
 Online Attendance.....916
 Budget Contributions.....\$8,085.00
 Budget YTD Contributions.....\$25,211.00

Special Prayer Request

Jan Towers
 Olen Bryant
 Terry Horne
 Tammy Moody
 Harold Caine
 Beverly Lawley
 Ronnie Duncan
 Wanda Towers

Alan Brown
 Marilyn Brown
 Stuart McCrorie
 Shirley Jones
 Nancy Goodwin
 Mike Linholm
 Nedra & Bill Isbell

Sympathy

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to the John Swiney family at the passing of John's sister Helen Elaine Hartley .



WE STILL HAVE BAGS OF

Pecans

IN THE CHURCH OFFICE.
 \$12.00 A BAG.

PAINT CLASS..... Thursday, 2-6-25

We will be painting this Valentine Gnome. 6:00pm, \$18.00 ea. Let Laurie Mc. know if you would like to come. 205-401-3124



Not the same Lane, But the Same Race



Reading Through The Bible

It's that time again friends to make your plans to Read through the Bible in a Year. The new reading plans are located in the Narthex, West Entrance and Church Office. If you would like to read along with other church members, simply pick up a schedule and join the reading. We will be using the Rose Publishing reading plan in 2025.

LEADERSHIP MEETING DATES

Trustees (6:30pm-1st Tues.)
 January 7 May 6 Sept. 2
 March 4 July 15 Nov. 4

SPRC (4:00pm, 2nd Sun.)
 January 12 July 13
 April 13 October 12

Administrative Board
 on/or close to 3rd Sun., 4:00pm
 January 19 July 20
 April 27 October 19

Childcare Board (6-7pm)
 Feb. 6 Aug. 7
 May 8 Nov. 6

Finance (6:00pm-2nd Tues.)
 January 14 July 8
 April 8 October 14

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM

BUDGET– In Honor of Belle Cheatham on her 100th birthday. By Jack & Nancy Moon.
BUDGETE– In Honor of Mike Linholm, The Brown family, Sharon Sellers, John Swiney & family. By Jeri & Jimmy Harris.
RED BIRD– In Honor of Earnie & Brenda Franklin. By Scott & Lisa Edmonson.
GROUNDS– In Memory of Helen Elaine Hartley. By Cheryl Finch.

SUPPER BOWL SUBS FUNDRAISER

Feb. 9th pick-up 4-5pm. \$15.00 ea. meal- Sandwich, chips, cookies.
DEADLINE IS FEB. 5TH.

NAME ↓	HAM	TURKEY	LETTUCE	TOMATO	CHEESE

This is a fundraiser to support our youth mission work for Summer. Please pray for us as we decide where our destination for ministry will be in 2025.

