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



# Upcoming Dates

## Sunday March 30, 2025

**4th SUNDAY OF LENT**  
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 March 31, 2025

## Tuesday April 1, 2025

## Wednesday April 2, 2025

5:30 pm WEAC  
6:30 pm YOUTH MEET

## Thursday April 3 2025

9:00 am NIFTY/FIFTY  
9:00 am FOOD DELIVERY

## Friday April 4, 2025

## Saturday April 5, 2025

8:00am MEN'S BIBLE STUDY  
**CHURCH PICNIC-OAK MT. PARK.**

### Chopped Pecans

are still available for \$12.00 per bag in the office.



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FIRST METHODIST CHURCH  
of HUEYTOWN

MARCH 24, 2025



# Touch

Newsletter

WEEKLY

## THE LENTEN SEASON-2025

The Lenten/Easter Season's theme is "His Holiness and His Love..." Here's the upcoming weeks of Worship, starting with the Ash

March 9, 2025-1st Sun of Lent	Mt. 3:1-3; Mk. 1:9-15	S & G
March 16, 2025-2nd Sun of Lent	Ecc. 12:1-8; Mk.8:31-38	Not in the Hands of Fate
March 23, 2025-3rd Sun of Lent	Ecc. 6:6-10; Jn.2:13-22	Limits & Boundaries
March 30, 2025-4th Sun of Lent	Phil.2:5-8; Jn.3:14-21	The Shorts...
April 6, 2025-5th Sun of Lent	Mt. 4:1-11; Jn. 12:20-33	Thin Veils...
April 13, 2025-Palm Sunday	2 Cor. 12:1-10 ;Mk. 11:1-11	Hearts & Habits
April 20, 2025-Easter Sunday	Lk. 24:1-12; Jn. 20:11-18	'Missing,' Doesn't Mean it Didn't Happen...

**THE PICNIC WILL BE CANCELED UNLESS WE HAVE PEOPLE SIGN UP WITH TAB BLAIR 205-475-6930**

## NEW CHURCH PICNIC NEWS- APRIL 5, 2025, 1:00pm

At the writing of this week's Newsletter, response has been scarce about CHURCH PICNIC ATTENDANCE. If you intend to attend the Church Picnic, it needs to be known so that plans for the lunch can be made and proper quantities are prepared for. If a

Church Picnic is not what you would like to have in 2025, we just need to

know as soon as possible, so that Oak Mountain Park can be contacted to cancel the reservation. It is a big weekend and they can use the pavilion if we are not going to use it. PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IF YOU WILL ATTEND THE CHURCH PICNIC. Starts at 1:00 pm



## Attendance & Contributions

March 23, 2025

Sunday Worship Attendance.....82  
 Online Attendance.....430

Budget Contributions.....\$8,445.00  
 Budget YTD Contributions.....\$93,366.00

## Special Prayer Request

Jan Towers  
 Tammy Moody  
 Harold Caine  
 Hugh Hudson  
 Micah Walker

Terry Horne  
 Sammy Harless  
 Nancy Goodwin  
 Brad Hinton  
 Carrie Walker

## EASTER EGG HUNT

Hey Friends, please be reminded that the First Methodist Church Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday, **April 12, 2025**, from 11:00 to 1:00 p.m. We have a new Children's Director, Jordan Austin, and Jordan will need all of our help to make this a great success in a short time of her being on staff. Please let Jordan know of your availability to help at the Easter Egg Hunt by dropping Jordan an email. Jordan can be reached at [jeaustin703@gmail.com](mailto:jeaustin703@gmail.com).

**Volunteer**

## DAY CARE INDOORS YARD SALE.....MARCH 29th.

8:00am - 12:00pm. Infants & children clothing, toys, books & any items you would like to donate.

Sunday Message: "The Shorts..."  
 Scripture: Philippians 2:5-8, John 3:14-21



March 24, 2025

Greetings in the Name of Jesus! As we prepare this week's newsletter, we are entering the 17-22 nd days of the Lenten Season. We will have journeyed halfway through Lent (20 th day) by Thursday, March 27 th . I continue to pray that each of us are experiencing a daily spiritual time of renewal as we walk with Jesus this Lenten Season.

As we make our way to the half-way mark in the number of days, I am reminded of the prophet of Nehemiah. If you remember, Nehemiah was a cupbearer. A cupbearer was the person who served the king, King Artaxerxes at the time of Nehemiah, with the responsibility of ensuring that the king's wine was not poisoned. Many had regular access and influence of the king, and the cupbearer was a protector. Nehemiah, being a cupbearer, was also an Israelite who had heard that "The wall of Jerusalem is broken down, and its gates have been burned by fire."

Making a longer story shorter, Nehemiah, heartbroken at this news, desired to return to Judah and rebuild the wall. His desire was granted by the king, and as he and the Israelites began to rebuild the wall, opposition rose up to stop its rebuilding. The people grew worried and concerned...even delay began to take place in its rebuilding. At the half-way point of the building of the wall (day 26) Nehemiah gave a powerful reminder to the Israelites about their calling to serve God by facing the opposition to rebuild the wall with perseverance under the watchful eye and protection of God. The people responded by completing the wall in 52 days.

We may find ourselves at day 20 of the Lenten Season needing a bit of perseverance...spiritual perseverance to continue in the calling to Observe a Holy Lenten Season. I hope that each of us is finding an abiding and growing relationship with Jesus as we embrace and participate in intentional acts of Worship, Prayer, Fasting, Study, Service, Giving and Fellowship. I pray that each of us is finding a constant filling of God's presence as we have sought to give something up/remove something from our life...that God might have a stronger presence in our daily living.

Please know that you are in my daily prayers as we continue the journey...

In Service to Christ,

*Bro. John Verciglio*

*Just Think About It...*



*Easter Lilies*

Order Deadline Sun. 4/13/25

\$15.00...No \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

Presented by: \_\_\_\_\_

## MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM

LANDSCAPE- In Honor of Ellie Duncan. In Memory of Ronnie Duncan. By Discovery Circle.

BUDGET- In Honor of Sarah Kate on her birthday. By Jeff Higgins.

BUDGET- In Memory of Marilyn Brown, Ronnie Duncan and Norm Haaikenson. By Johnny Harrison.

LANDSCAPE- In Memory of Marilyn Brown. In Honor of Alan Brown. By Sharon Sellers

LANDSCAPE- In Honor of Jerry & Jimmy Harris and Jack & Nancy Moon. By Mary F. Bell.

BUDGET- In Honor of Hugh Hudson and Brad & Shellye Hinton. By Scott & Lisa Edmonson.

LANDSCAPE- In Honor of John & Nancy Simmons. By The Adult Sunday School Class.

## SERVING OPPORTUNITY IN OUR CHILD CARE CENTER



The Child Care Center at First Methodist is seeking / asking if you as Church Members would be willing to be a part of sharing some you time, talents, skills, and abilities. The CCC is starting a reading, math and science program that needs volunteers...we need to be those volunteers. I hope as you read this outreach, that you will join me in letting OUR CCC know that you WILL volunteer as a servant! I am asking Laurie McCombs to start a list to capture our names as volunteers. Please let Laurie know as soon as possible, by:

**March 31 st ,**

that you can and will be a part of volunteering in our CCC. Thanks, Bro. John V.

## Fine Arts Committee

If you have an interest in joining the Fine Arts Committee, please contact Ellie Duncan @ 205-529-7954. The Fine Arts Committee is coming off a hiatus from COVID and we would like to start with an event/concert soon.

