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UPCOMING DATES

Sunday October 1, 2023

9:00 am TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
WORLD COMMUNION

10:10 am SMALL GROUPS
11:00 am EMMAUS LUNCH

Monday October 2, 2023

Tuesday October 3, 2023

Wed. October 4, 2023

6:00 pm HANDBELL PRACTICE
6:30 pm YOUTH
7:00 pm CHOIR PRACTICE

Thursday October 5, 2023

8:30 am FOOD DELIVERY
9:00 am NIFTY/FIFTY
6:00 pm PAINTING CLASS
6:00 pm CHILD CARE BOARD MEET

Friday October 6, 2023

Saturday October 7, 2023
8:00am MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Sunday October 8, 2023

6:00 am FIRST LIGHT
9:00 am TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

**SERMON & SCRIPTURE
INFORMATION OCTOBER 1st**
1 Corinthians 11:23-31
"Breaking Bad Habits"

**THE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS A
SPANISH SPEAKING PERSON
TO WORK ON WED. OCT.
11TH FROM 9-11.**

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Hueytown

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SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH of HUEYTOWN

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NEWSLETTER

FALL YARD SALE-- Saturday, Nov. 11, 2023

The date has been set-- 11/11/23-- in the Fellowship Hall!

This is a church-wide fund raiser, with all proceeds going towards our current Capital Fund Campaign.

Be thinking about and collecting items you wish to donate, (or just get red of)! Remember, one person's trash/discards may be another person's treasure.

We hope to receive home décor, seasonal décor, working appliances, furniture, sports equipment, tools, fishing gear, gardening tools, etc. (No Clothes--except maybe some adult winter coats, etc.) We plan to widely publicize this fund raiser throughout our community and surrounding areas. If you have any questions, please contact Ellie Duncan at 205-529-7954 or Penny Berry at 205-915-8056.

OCTOBER 31st at 6:30pm



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!

JUST THINK ABOUT IT

Attendance & Contributions

September 24, 2023

Budget 9/24.....\$5,816.00
Total as of 9/24/2023..... \$404,173.00

Special Prayer Request

Connie Woodward	Carolyn Vines
Nancy Goodwin	Karen M. Parsons
Beverly Lawley	Joan Verchot
Kay Vines Huey	Jan Towers

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Nancy Waters Powell at the passing of her husband John Powell. Graveside service will be in November.

We extend our Christian love and sympathy to Willa Dean Marlaire's family at her passing. She was Chuck Vickers' aunt. Funeral is Friday in Pell City.

THURSDAY NIGHT PAINT CLASS.

6:00pm 9/21/23

You are invited. 9/21/23

WE WILL BE PAINTING "Country Pumpkin"
COME JOIN IN THE FUN! CALL 205-401-3124

THANK YOU-

Hueytown Methodist,

This should have been done months ago. Thank you so much for the use of your van at City Fest. We could not have done it without you. Thank you for your willingness to help out in the community as you always do. Please accept this as a small token of our appreciation.

Hueytown Arts Council



SEPTEMBER 25, 2023

Greetings Sisters and Brothers in Christ! By the time you receive this week's Newsletter, we will have completed the business work of the church through the third quarter of 2023. Where has/is the year scampering off to? With the ending of the third quarter of 2023, comes the beginning of some of our biggest events of our calendar year. On Sunday, October 1st we celebrate in worship World Communion Sunday. We begin WEAC on Wednesday, October 11 and go through November 15th. WEAC meal serving will begin at 5:00 p.m. each Wednesday. I am mindful to remind us that Truck or Treat is right around the corner, Tuesday, October 31st. There should be info in this Newsletter telling you about times, etc. As we make our way through October 2023, we move into All Saints Sunday, November 5th, Stewardship Sunday is November 19th, Thanksgiving Day is November 23rd, and the beginning of Advent is Sunday, December 3rd. WOW... what wonderful celebrations and opportunities to personally be a part of, and, to invite someone you're hearing God speak to you about inviting. Share Jesus' love BOLDLY, friends of Jesus! Invite, Invite, Invite! As I conclude this week's sharing, I want to say that I am so appreciative for your prayers over the last weeks in the current sermon series, "Here to There." Your feedback has been very important to our church, to our relationship with Jesus, and to where God is calling us to be, while simultaneously being in ministry NOW. I look forward to the series carrying into the month of October 2023, where I, along with the MOVING FORWARD TEAM, hear God calling us to meet Him individually and as a congregation. It will take you and I as a team to get there under the direction of the Holy Spirit...IT IS "NOT" THE MOVING FORWARD TEAM'S JOB to make sure we get there...it's up to every member of our great church! Christ is Counting on You...Are you Counting on Christ?

Bro. John Verciglio

IMPORTANT DATES IN 2023

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| ✓ World Communion Sunday, Oct. 1 | ✓ Trunk or Treat, Oct. 31 |
| ✓ Emmaus Lunch Sunday, Oct. 1 | ✓ First Sunday of Advent, Dec. 3 |
| ✓ Blessing of the Animals, Oct. 1 | ✓ Christmas Eve Services, Dec. 24 |
| ✓ WEAC, Oct. 11, 5:00 (1st of six) | |

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS— In Honor of Connie Woodward, Lacie Oden & Michael Edmonson. By Wayne & Judy Mink

BUDGET— In Memory of Ramona Pitesa, In Honor of Lacie Oden & Michael Edmonson. By Scott & Lisa Edmonson.

LASER FOCUSED...MOVING FORWARD 218 The MOVING FORWARD 218 TEAM

continues it's work around the framework of what are called **Guardrails**. Spiritual **Guardrails** would be that which keeps us traveling on solid ground, traveling the intended path, and keeping us on course, and focused on the direction God's sets for our journey. Guardrails are the posts between which all our decisions find ministry litmus testing. **Our Guardrails are The Witness Statement and The Foundation Blocks. 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 MOVING FORWARD TEAM's next meeting is Tuesday, September 26th. Our work on Tuesday will have been discussing a RENEWED CONGREGATIONAL COMMITMENT to our participation in reaching out to those we know aren't in church(new folks); increasing our own membership worship attendance; Sunday school/small groups, children & youth ministry's participation. What's missing that draws and keeps folks? What needs to be let go that isn't reaching folks? Is there an Elephant in the room we need to talk about but we haven't acknowledged? We will give you an update next week... 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, Ellie Duncan, and Lisa Verciglio. A key question, "**Are you available for His calling?**"

2023

OCTOBER



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
01 9am - TRADITIONAL WORSHIP WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY (in-person & live streamed) 10:10am - SUNDAY SCHOOL/ SMALL GROUPS 11:00am - EMMAUS LUNCH 4:00pm - BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS	02 6:30pm - BOY SCOUTS	03 6:30pm - MOVING FORWARD TEAM	04 5:30pm - WEAC 6pm - HANDBELLS 6:30pm - YOUTH ACTIVITIES 7pm - CHANCEL CHOIR	05 8:30am - FOOD DELIVERY 9am - NIFITY OVER FIFTY 6pm - PAINTING CLASS	06 OFFICE CLOSED	07 8am - MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
08 6:30am - Igniters @ First Light 9am - TRADITIONAL WORSHIP (in-person & live streamed) 10:10am - SUNDAY SCHOOL/ SMALL GROUPS	09 8:30am - SACK PANTRY FOOD 9:30am - KOINONIA 3pm - ALPHA 6:30pm - CHILD CARE BOARD 6:30pm - BOY SCOUTS	10 6:30pm - MOVING FORWARD TEAM	11 9am - FOOD PANTRY & CLOTHS CLOSET 5:30pm - WEAC 6pm - HANDBELLS 6:30pm - YOUTH ACTIVITIES 7pm - CHANCEL CHOIR	12 9am - FOOD PANTRY & CLOTHS CLOSET 9am - NIFITY OVER FIFTY 6pm - PAINTING CLASS	13 OFFICE CLOSED	14 8am - MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
15 9am - TRADITIONAL WORSHIP (in-person & live streamed) 10:10am - SUNDAY SCHOOL/ SMALL GROUPS	16 6:30pm - BOY SCOUTS	17 6:30pm - MOVING FORWARD TEAM 7pm - DISCOVERY	18 5:30pm - WEAC 6pm - HANDBELLS 6:30pm - YOUTH ACTIVITIES 7pm - CHANCEL CHOIR	19 9am - NIFITY OVER FIFTY 6pm - PAINTING CLASS	20 OFFICE CLOSED	21 8am - MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
22 9am - TRADITIONAL WORSHIP (in-person & live streamed) 10:10am - SUNDAY SCHOOL/ SMALL GROUPS	23 8:30am - SACK PANTRY FOOD 6:30pm - BOY SCOUTS	24 6:30pm - MOVING FORWARD TEAM	25 9am - FOOD PANTRY & CLOTHS CLOSET 5:30pm - WEAC 6pm - HANDBELLS 6:30pm - YOUTH ACTIVITIES 7pm - CHANCEL CHOIR	26 9am - FOOD PANTRY & CLOTHS CLOSET 9am - NIFITY OVER FIFTY 6pm - PAINTING CLASS	27 OFFICE CLOSED	28 8am - MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
29 9am - TRADITIONAL WORSHIP (in-person & live streamed) 10:10am - SUNDAY SCHOOL/ SMALL GROUPS	30 6:30pm - BOY SCOUTS	31 6:30pm - TRUNK R TREAT	01 5:30pm - WEAC 6pm - HANDBELLS 6:30pm - YOUTH ACTIVITIES 7pm - CHANCEL CHOIR	02 9am - NIFITY OVER FIFTY 6pm - PAINTING CLASS	03 OFFICE CLOSED	04 8am - MEN'S BIBLE STUDY