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UPCOMING DATES

Sunday December 3, 2023

9:00 am TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
10:10 am SMALL GROUPS
11:11 am EMMAUS LUNCH

Monday December 4, 2023

5:30 pm SISTERS STUDY GROUP

Tuesday December 5, 2023

6:30 pm MOVING FORWARD
TEAM

Wed. December 6, 2023

6:00 pm YOUTH

Thursday December 7, 2023

6:00 pm PAINT CLASS

Friday December 8, 2023

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS
CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday December 9, 2023

8:00 am MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

**1:00 pm COMMUNITY CHILDREN'S
CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Sunday December 10, 2023

6:00 am FIRST LIGHT
9:00 am TRADITIONAL WORSHIP
10:10 am SMALL GROUPS

First Methodist Church of
Hueytown

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SERMON & SCRIPTURE INFORMATION December 3rd, 2023

Series Title: Is There Room for Jesus in Your Christmas?

Scripture: Mark:13, 24-37

In Touch

MONTHLY NOVEMBER 27, 2023
FIRST METHODIST CHURCH of HUEYTOWN
NEWSLETTER



GLOBAL
METHODIST CHURCH

A WORD FROM SPRC

The SPRC at its meeting on Tuesday, November 14, 2023, asked me to communicate to the congregation one of its topics of discussion from the meeting. The ask from SPRC: first, please remember that all of our staff at First Methodist Church, with the exception of Pastor John V., are all part-time staff. Some may have work times during the normal business week, and others work on Sundays specifically. Secondly, please remember that we are so very fortunate that our Church employees are Church Members. Not only do they find the presence of Christ here as Savior and Lord, but they have answered a calling to work for the church. Please remember that on Sunday's the staff are seeking to worship and join their Sunday morning Small groups. Please give them their Sundays to worship, study and fellowship. Call them on Monday's to address church business. Lastly, please offer every opportunity you get, the chance to thank our church staff for all they do for God's Kingdom here at First Methodist, and for us as congregants!

WELCOME TO FIRST METHODIST CHILDCARE CENTER -

Candi Boissel

The First Methodist Church Childcare Center said "Goodbye" to Stephanie Darabaris on Wednesday, November 23, 2023, as our Child Care Center Director. Stephanie accepted a teaching position with the Jefferson County School System. She will be teaching here in Hueytown. We wish Stephanie nothing but the best in her new position.

The Child Care Center welcomes as its new Assistant Director, Mrs. Candi Boissel. Candi is coming to us from Bessemer Academy, having also been a teacher in the Jefferson County School System. She has a Master's of Science in Early Childhood Education, and is also a National Board Certified Teacher. A high distinction among all teachers. Candi started with us on Thursday, November 29, 2023. Please stop by and offer Candi a warm First Methodist welcome, and offer her your help. Welcome Candi Boissel!

Attendance & Contributions November 26, 2023

Worship 9:00 am.....82
Online.....283
Budget 11/26/2023.....\$2,614.00

November 19, 2023

Worship 9:00 am.....113
Online.....332
Budget 11/19/2023.....\$5,821.00
Total as of 11/26/2023.....\$470,861.00

Special Prayer Request

Connie Woodward	Jan Towers
Karen M. Parsons	Jean Jorodan
Beverly Lawley	Joan Verchot
Kay Vines Huey	Hinky Verchot
Doc Cater	Karl Hager
Jack Moon	Kim Hooks

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

11/30/23 we will be painting this "Poinsettia". 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 ARE HERE IN THE OFFICE

One pound bags of either pieces or halves. Any profits made will go to church landscaping. \$14.00 per bag.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS BAR SOAP.

JUST THINK ABOUT IT



November 27, 2023

Good day Members and Friends of First Methodist Church! I pray that you had a wonderful Thanksgiving Weekend? I so hope it was filled with some down-time, some family gathering time, and some 'do-something-together-as-a-family' time. As Kirk Byron Jones reminds us about our hectic pace in life, we are "Addicted to Hurry."

As I write this week, we are entering the Advent Season on Sunday, December 3, 2023, First Sunday of Advent. We will be blessed by the sound of our Chancel Choir's Christmas offering titled, "A New and Glorious Morn...Celebrating the Light and Life of Christmas." I hope you are planning to be a part of this great morning, and I hope you might invite someone to join you in worship on this day.

Talking about Advent, this year's theme is "Is There Room for Jesus in Your Christmas?" The information is abundant, and the calling seems to be even more clear in this Advent Season...many are enjoying / many do enjoy the holidays but really don't know the why (the birth of Jesus Christ). The culture tells them to take days off from work, go to the parties, stock up on things because of the great sales...sounds like Paul's reference to "an unknown god" doesn't it? It's not just the cultural message though my friends, we the Body of Christ haven't been offering the culture a reason to know the "unknown god."

Let us all be reminded that Advent is the beginning of our new Christian Season. Advent is John 1:14's proclamation, "the Word became flesh and dwelt among us." This is the great message of the Incarnation, that Jesus Christ is born into human history and in the fullness of time for the salvation of the world. It is my hope that for each of us individually, and for our church as a corporate body, that we seek to celebrate, to proclaim, and to allow Jesus the Christ Child to be manifested in our lives. In fact, let Him exude so much through each of us, that someone will want to know Him! Emmanuel, God With Us!

Lastly, but not least this week, please remember that on Sunday, November 19, 2023, First Methodist Church participated in Stewardship Sunday. Thank you once again to the many who came forward to offer a prayer-filled estimate of giving card, and thank you to the many that come by or called to make a 2024 estimate of giving. Again, if you were not able to be in attendance on Sunday, we hope you will let the church office (specifically Lisa Edmonson, Church Administrator) know of you Stewardship Commitment for 2024. As the sermon title reflected on Sunday, November 19th, You Are Part of the Whole that Belongs to God...Amen, and Amen!

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

Blessings,

Bro. John Verciglio

MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM

BUDGET– In Memory of Jim McCain. In Honor of Ann McCain. By Adult Sunday School Class.

BUDGET– In Honor of Judy Mink. By Adult Sunday School Class.

CHOIR– In Memory of Norma Morton. By Koinonia Circle

BUDGET– In Memory of Tim Wilding & Beverly Byrd. In Honor of Judy Minks, Karl Hager, Beverly Byrd & Jane Sligh. By Scott & Lisa Edmonson and Family.

BUDGET– In Memory of Jim McCain and Norma Morton. In Honor of Ann McCain. By Jane Coleman.

REDBIRD– In Memory of Barbara Boyd & Beverly Byrd. By Cheryl Finch.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY– In Memory of Our Parents, Kathryn & Floyd, and Mary Lois & Bob. By Paige & Jeff Jones

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY– In Memory of Dale Sellers. By Paige & Jeff Jones.

BUDGET– In Memory of Norma Morton. By Mary Frances, Cheryl, Chris & Allison Bell.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY



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.



2023

DECEMBER



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 9am - TRADITIONAL WORSHIP (in-person & live streamed) 10:10am - SUNDAY SCHOOL/ SMALL GROUPS	27 9am - T.O.P.S. 5:30pm - SISTERS STUDY GROUP 6:30pm - BOY SCOUTS	28 6:30pm - MOVING FORWARD TEAM	29 6pm - HANDBELLS 6:30pm - YOUTH ACTIVITIES 7pm - CHANCEL CHOIR	30 8:00am - FOOD DELIVERY 9am - NIFTY OVER FIFTY 6pm - PAINTING CLASS	01 OFFICE CLOSED 6PM - Hueytown Community Christmas Tree Lighting - City Park	02
03 9am - TRADITIONAL WORSHIP ALL SAINTS SUNDAY (in-person & live streamed) 10:10am - SUNDAY SCHOOL/ SMALL GROUPS 11:00am - EMMAUS LUNCH	04 8:00am - SACK PANTRY FOOD 9am - T.O.P.S. 5:30pm - SISTERS STUDY GROUP 6:30pm - BOY SCOUTS	05 6:30pm - MOVING FORWARD TEAM	06 9am - FOOD PANTRY & CLOTHS CLOSET 6pm - HANDBELLS 6:30pm - YOUTH ACTIVITIES 7pm - CHANCEL CHOIR	07 9am - FOOD PANTRY & CLOTHS CLOSET 9am - NIFTY OVER FIFTY 6pm - PAINTING CLASS	08 OFFICE CLOSED 6pm - ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PARTY	09 10am - Hueytown Christmas Parade 1pm - CHILDREN'S COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY
10 6:30am - Igniters @ First Light 9am - TRADITIONAL WORSHIP (in-person & live streamed) 10:10am - SUNDAY SCHOOL/ SMALL GROUPS	11 8:00am - SACK PANTRY FOOD 9am - T.O.P.S. 9:30am - KOINONIA 3pm - ALPHA 5:30pm - SISTERS STUDY GROUP 6:30pm - BOY SCOUTS	12 9am - DAYCARE MUSIC RECITAL 6pm - DAYCARE STAFF DINNER PRTY 6:30pm - MOVING FORWARD TEAM	13 9am - FOOD PANTRY & CLOTHS CLOSET 5:00pm - WEAC 6pm - HANDBELLS 6:30pm - YOUTH ACTIVITIES 7pm - CHANCEL CHOIR	14 9am - FOOD PANTRY & CLOTHS CLOSET 9am - NIFTY OVER FIFTY 6pm - CHURCH STAFF DINNER	15 OFFICE CLOSED	16
17 9am - TRADITIONAL WORSHIP (in-person & live streamed) 10:10am - SUNDAY SCHOOL/ SMALL GROUPS	18 9am - T.O.P.S. 5:30pm - SISTERS STUDY GROUP 6:30pm - BOY SCOUTS 6:30pm - DISCOVERY	19 6:30pm - MOVING FORWARD TEAM	20 6pm - HANDBELLS 6:30pm - YOUTH ACTIVITIES 7pm - CHANCEL CHOIR	21 9am - NIFTY OVER FIFTY 6pm - PAINTING CLASS	22 OFFICE CLOSED	23
24 9am - TRADITIONAL WORSHIP (in-person & live streamed) 10:10am - SUNDAY SCHOOL/ SMALL GROUPS 11pm - CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE	25 OFFICE CLOSED	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27 6pm - HANDBELLS 6:30pm - YOUTH ACTIVITIES 7pm - CHANCEL CHOIR	28 9am - NIFTY OVER FIFTY 6pm - PAINTING CLASS	29 OFFICE CLOSED	30
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