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UPCOMING DATES

Sunday Dec. 1, 2024

**ADVENT
HOLY COMMUNION**

8:45 am IGNITERS FELLOWSHIP
9:00 am PARLOR FELLOWSHIP
9:00 am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL
10:00 am WORSHIP
11:00 am EMMAUS LUNCH
11:10 am THE BRIDGE FELLOWSHIP
11:10 am CHILDREN'S SUNDAY
SCHOOL

5:00 pm CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS
PLAY THEN DECORATING THE
CHRISTMAS TREE IN FELLOWSHIP
HALL. YOUTH HOST CAROL SING-
ING.

Monday Dec. 2, 2024

Tuesday Dec. 3, 2024

Wednesday Dec. 4, 2024
6:30 pm YOUTH MEET

Thursday Dec. 5, 2024

Friday Dec. 6, 2024

Saturday Dec. 7, 2024
1:00pm HUEYTOWN
CHRISTMAS PARADE & TREE
LIGHTING

SUNDAY SERMON:..."King of Kings, and
Lord of Lords"
SCRIPTURE:.....John 18: 33-37

DECEMBER 1 ST CORRECTION!

Christmas play is 5:00.

Fellowship Hall CHRISTMAS TREE Decoration

The December 1 st , Children's Ministry Christmas Play time has been changed...the Children's Play is at 5:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Immediately following the Children's Christmas Play, our 'Bridge Small Group' is inviting the Children's Program to a reception after their play...AND THEN...the congregation to join in Decorating the Fellowship Hall Christmas Tree. Let's join together for a potluck supper, singing of carols, decorating the tree and celebrating our Children! If you have questions, please contact Kristy Nolen in the Bridge Small Group. Let's plan to have a fantastic night of celebration, fellowship, food, and decorating our church for Advent/Christmas. Thank you the Bridge Small Group!



WEEKLY
In Touch



**GLOBAL
METHODIST CHURCH**



**FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
of HUEYTOWN**

Newsletter

NOVEMBER 18, 2024

A Word of Encouragement

As your pastor, I want to offer a word of encouragement to those of us who have been away from being a part of Worship, WEAC, Small Groups, and Fellowship in the church. If we have the ability to be in church, we should be! The words we use when we've not seen you lately when we do see you, or text you, or email you...the words are full of love when we say, "We Miss You!"

WE DO MISS YOU, AND WE HOPE YOU MISS US!

I want to encourage each of us to allow Advent to really be that "new moment, renewed moment, incarnational moment" to get back to church. Don't be offended by the note here...be encouraged to know that you are a vital part of the church, and we are missing your participation in the Body of Christ! Your church needs you!

If you are a shut-in...know that we are praying for you daily. We miss you dearly, and we KNOW that being in church is your greatest Hope if it were at all possible. We are THANKFUL FOR YOU, and we are so very glad we have tools like LIVESTREAM that offers you a connection to church! Please know that...

So, as your pastor, let me say once again...

The Community Children's

The Community Children's Christmas party is set for Dec. 14th @ 10 am. We are happily accepting monetary donations. \$50 will purchase toys for one child. Please consider sponsoring a child. Last year we served 152 Hueytown Children. *We will be requesting shoppers and party helpers soon. Mark your calendar!*



you are missed. Give us a chance to show you. Make plans starting now to get back to "in person" participation. Come hear the words yourself, "We are so glad to see you!" Don't take them for anything more than...

WE LOVE YOU!

I look forward to SEEING YOU SOON!

Attendance & Contributions

November 17, 2024

Sunday Worship Attendance.....110
Online Attendance.....786
Budget Contributions 11/17.....\$7,330.00
YTD Total Budget
Contributions figures\$348,208.22
Thanksgiving Service.....140
Online Thanksgiving Service.....918

Special Prayer Request

Jan Towers	Bobby Bracknell
Kenny Coston	Wanda Towers
Jack Moon	Terry Horne
Stuart McCrorie	Tammy Moody
Harold Caine	Nancy Goodwin
Beverly Lawley	Rodger Moody
Allie Simmons	Shirley Jones
Cora Walker	

*Just Think
About It...*



Nov. 18, 2024

Greetings Friends of Jesus!

Thank you to each and every one of you for a wonderful day of church on Sunday, November 17th! What a great day we shared making our Pledge Sunday Commitments for 2025; supporting the McCoy Senior Adult Center; and hosting/welcoming our Christian Brothers and Sisters from Pleasant Ridge Baptist Church for the Community Thanksgiving Service. Wow...What a Day!

If you haven't completed your 2025 Pledge Sunday Commitment Card, please either call Lisa Edmonson or Tab Blair to help us complete our Pledge Campaign, The Joy of Giving. There are Commitment Cards in the Church Office, and in the Narthex/West Entrance Areas. The Finance Team needs your help to gather needed giving information as they work to offer a ministry budget for 2025. Thank you for your attention to this important part of our membership.

On Sunday, December 1st (two weeks away), we will begin the Advent Season. As a reminder, Advent signals to us the beginning of a new Christian Year of Worship Celebration. Advent is the Season of Worship where we embrace and open our hearts to the incarnational God come near to us in Jesus Christ. I am excited to start a new Advent preaching series titled, A Thrill of Hope. Yes, it's from the historic Christmas Hymn, O Holy Night. The first verse of the hymn, second line reads, "Long lay the world in sin and error pining, till He appeared and the soul felt its worth. A thrill of hope, the weary world rejoices, for yonder breaks a new and glorious morn! Fall on your knees! O hear the angels voices!"

The point of our seasonal theme, A Thrill of Hope? The birth of Christ the Lord brings us healing from our "pining." Pining is loss of vigor, longing, yearning...the need to be made whole. The promise of God in the flesh through Jesus Christ offered the world, offers us, forgiveness from our selfishness, wholeness through oneness in Jesus and right relationship with the Living God. I am in need of such healing and wholeness, are you? I pray we can discover together the gift of God's love through Jesus that will offer us all...A THRILL OF HOPE... His Hope!

I am looking forward to sharing Advent / Christmas with you!

In Service to Christ,

Bro. John Verciglio



Poinsettias

\$15.00

of plants _____ \$ amount _____

In Honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

Presented by: _____



MEMORIALS & HONORARIUM

BUDGET— In Honor of Marilyn Brown By The Adult Sunday School Class.

ROCK-A-THON— In Honor of Bill Sadberry. By Jack & Nancy Moon.

CHRISTMAS CHILDREN'S PARTY— In Honor of Roger Moody, Marilyn Brown and Cora Walker. By Jack & Nancy Moon.

BUDGET— In Memory of Sarah Bailey. By Jack & Nancy Moon.

BUDGET— In Memory of Sarah Bailey. In Honor of Nell & Hugh Hudson.



*Children's
Christmas
Play*

Practices are taking place on:

***SUNDAYS 11:00-12:00**

***WEDNESDAY** nights after
WEAC.

*Starting Nov. 17th a **SUNDAY**
practice will be added.

**Children's Christmas Play is on
Dec. 1 at 6:00pm.**

November & December Calendar

November 27-28 th Thanksgiving, Church Office Closed

December 1 st Children's Ministry Christmas Play,
5:00 p.m., Sanctuary

December 1 st Decorate Fellowship Hall Christmas Tree –
Following the Children's Christmas Play

December 8 th Chancel Choir Christmas Cantata, 10:00 a.m.

December 14 th Children's Christmas Mission Party,
10:00 a.m.

December 24-26 th Christmas Holiday...Church Office
Closed 12/24-12/26

December 24 th Christmas Eve Holy Communion, 5:00 p.m.
and 11:00 p.m.

December 31 st New Year's Eve, Church Office Closed
12/31/24 – 1/2/25

A Word of Thanks...

I would like to offer a word of THANKS to our WEAC Cooking Team, and to Sandra Oden with others, who have been serving Overtime with all the events we have had in the last weeks. We have had a few extra events with Potlucks and gatherings of meals this Fall. Let us not take for granted these wonderful ladies and gents who make Church Meal events look so seamless. There is a great amount of work that goes on behind the scenes/that has gone on behind the scenes that we don't see! THANK YOU LADIES AND GENTS! We appreciate you all very much!

2024

DECEMBER



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div>01</div> <div>8:45am - Igniters Sunday School 9am - Adult Sunday School 9am - Parlor Fellowship 10am - WORSHIP (in-person & live streamed) 11am - Young Adult, Youth, & Children's Sunday School 5pm - Children's Christmas Play 6pm - Christmas Tree Decorating & Potluck</div>	<div>02</div> <div>9am - T.O.P.S. 6:30pm - BOY SCOUTS</div>	<div>03</div>	<div>04</div> <div>6pm - HANDBELLS 6:30pm - YOUTH ACTIVITIES 7pm - CHANCEL CHOIR</div>	<div>05</div> <div>8am - FOOD DELIVERY 9am - NIFITY OVER FIFTY 6pm - PAINTING CLASS</div>	<div>06</div> <div>OFFICE CLOSED</div>	<div>07</div> <div>8am - MEN'S BIBLE STUDY 1pm - Hueytown Christmas Parade 4pm - Hueytown Christmas in the Park / Tree Lighting</div>
<div>08</div> <div>6:30am - Igniters Serve @ FirstLight 8:45am - Igniters Sunday School 9am - Adult Sunday School 9am - Parlor Fellowship 10am - WORSHIP Chancel Choir Christmas Cantata (in-person & live streamed) 11am - Young Adult, Youth, & Children's Sunday School</div>	<div>09</div> <div>8:00am - SACK PANTRY FOOD 9am - T.O.P.S. 9:30am - KOINONIA 3pm - ALPHA 6:30pm - BOY SCOUTS</div>	<div>10</div>	<div>11</div> <div>9am - FOOD PANTRY & CLOTHS CLOSET 6pm - HANDBELLS 6:30pm - YOUTH ACTIVITIES 7pm - CHANCEL CHOIR</div>	<div>12</div> <div>8am - FOOD DELIVERY 9am - NIFITY OVER FIFTY 6pm - PAINTING CLASS</div>	<div>13</div> <div>OFFICE CLOSED</div>	<div>14</div> <div>10am - Community Children's Christmas Party</div>
<div>15</div> <div>8:45am - Igniters Sunday School 9am - Adult Sunday School 9am - Parlor Fellowship 10am - WORSHIP (in-person & live streamed) 11am - Young Adult, Youth, & Children's Sunday School</div>	<div>16</div> <div>9am - T.O.P.S. 6:30pm - DISCOVERY 6:30pm - BOY SCOUTS</div>	<div>17</div>	<div>18</div> <div>6pm - HANDBELLS 6:30pm - YOUTH ACTIVITIES 7pm - CHANCEL CHOIR</div>	<div>19</div> <div>9am - NIFITY OVER FIFTY 6pm - PAINTING CLASS</div>	<div>20</div> <div>OFFICE CLOSED</div>	<div>21</div>
<div>22</div> <div>8:45am - Igniters Sunday School 9am - Adult Sunday School 9am - Parlor Fellowship 10am - WORSHIP (in-person & live streamed) 11am - Young Adult, Youth, & Children's Sunday School</div>	<div>23</div>	<div>24</div> <div>OFFICE CLOSED</div>	<div>25</div> <div>OFFICE CLOSED</div>	<div>26</div> <div>OFFICE CLOSED</div>	<div>27</div> <div>OFFICE CLOSED</div>	<div>28</div>
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