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Upcoming Dates

Sunday Oct, 12, 2025 9:00 am PARLOR FELLOWSHIP 9:00 am ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:00 am BLENDED WORSHIP 11:10 am CHILD'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

11:10 am THE BRIDGE FELLOWSHIP 4:00 pm SPRC MEETING 5:00 pm YOUTH

Monday Oct. 13, 2025 10:00am KOINONIA 2:00pm ALPHA

Tuesday Oct. 14, 2025 6:30pm FINANCE COM. MEETS Wednesday Oct. 15, 2025

5:30pm WEAC **
6:30 pm YOUTH MEET

Thursday Oct. 16, 2025 9:00 am NIFTY/FIFTY

Friday Oct. 17, 2025 OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday Oct. 18, 2025 8:00am MEN'S BIBLE STUDY



TRUNK OR TREAT NEWS

Here's News on Trunk or Treat 2025! First Methodist Church will host Trunk or Treat on Wednesday, October 29, 2025! The WEAC ladies' team is preparing Hot Dogs, Chips and Cookies that night for the WEAC Meal. You will need to turn in a WEAC reservation card as usual for that night so the WEAC team knows how many to expect from the congregation for supper! Trunk or Treat will officially take place from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. in the grassy courtyard area as we have done the last few years. We need your help... Candy donations can be placed in the Candy Bins in the Narthex, in the West Entrance and in the Church Office. If you prefer, you can offer a monetary donation for the purchase of candy. We need to know who can and who will offer to set up a Trunk on Wednesday, October 29 th. Please contact the church office as soon as possible to let us know that you will be a hosting Trunk for this great night. If you have questions, please contact either: Bro. John Vercialio. Kristy Nolen or Tracey Berry.

Chamber of Commerce **BINGO** Night at First Methodist in November 13, 2025 @ 6:00pm





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Current Preaching Series

The upcoming Sunday's and special weeks ahead are listed below:

Oct. 5 th Acts 2:42-47 Living Into His Likeness (World Communion Sunday)
Oct. 12 th Exodus 1:8-22 Right and Wrong Aren't Human Inventions
Oct. 19 th 1 Kings 18:1-19 No Matter the Environment

Oct. 26 th Ruth 4:1-22 You're Who?



Finishing The Christian Year

Nov. 2 nd James 5:13-20 It All Starts from the Inside (All Saints Sunday)
Nov. 9 th Romans 10:9-10 The Christians Creed (Veteran's Day Week)
Nov. 16 th James 2:14-16 What's Yours is Mine, What's Mine is Yours
Nov. 23 rd Matt 6:25-34 You're Who?





Attendance & Contributions

<u> October 5, 2025</u>	
Sunday Worship Attendance	90
Online Worship	
Budget Contributions	
Budget YTD Contributions	



Special Prayer Request

Jan Towers Dot Moran Betty Jane Kornegay Raymond Widener Jack Moon

Isabella Hinton Sarah Grace Oden Jerry Gober Rev. Don Hubbard Jr. Allen Douglass



Leadership Meetings

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12 SPRC 4:00 pm

TUESDAY, OCTOBER, 14 Finance 6:30 pm

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19 Admin. Board 4:00 pm TUESDAY, November 4
Trustees 6:30 pm

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER, 6 Child Development Center Advisory Team 6:00 pm

Kid's Christmas Party is Dec. 13. Sign up now.





Just Think About It...

October 6, 2025

Greetings Friends!

Greetings Friends! As always, I hope and pray that you are well this week...Recently I was reminded about the powerful story of Gideon from the book of Judges, chapter 6. Rev. Alistar Begg wrote a powerful devotional about Gideon's calling from God to save the Israelites out of the Midianites oppressive hands.

God's calling upon Gideon was met with question, denial, backtalk, and excuses. God's response to all of Gideon's attempts to say, "me/us?" was, "Am I not sending you?" The question for Gideon was whether he believed God, believed in God. We followers today, and we the church today can so often dismiss such biblical stories as just that, a biblical story.

Friends, just such a story IS our story in today's God callings for our individual and corporate lives as Christ Followers. Yes, your preacher is reminding you of something we are supposed to already know...God is calling the church to be His instrument to win the unfaithful to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.

The times are fragile...both for society and for the church. Society is hurting, scared, divided, and questioning (check out Gideon's words in Judges 6:12-13). The church is fragmented in places, inauthentic per outsiders, self-consumed for survival, and pointedly assumed to not be living out what it professes to believe. Well, how's that for a dose of reality, or negativity? Aren't I supposed to be the pastor offering possibility?

Alistar Begg writes of Gideon's calling and response to God, "...during a discreet (in the cover of night) to the enemy camp, he overhears two men discussing a dream, which one soldier interprets as meaning that they will fall under 'the sword of Gideon' because 'God has given into his hand Midian and all the camp'...when Gideon hears that and realizes that God has indeed gone before him to do what is impossible for him to do alone, what does he do? 'He worshiped.'"

Do you and I believe God, believe in God? Are we - as God calls us individually and corporately to be His church in our homes, in our workplaces, in our community, in how we run the church, in living out our vows of membership in His church - responding with question, denial, backtalk and excuses?

Hear the words from God that Gideon heard, "Am I not sending you?" I can tell you that He is, but you have to believe He is! God is the one doing the sending, and just as He is sending, He is walking with you, with us. "When Gideon hears that and realizes that God has indeed gone before him... "He worshiped."

Remember, we at First Methodist Church... We believe God has called us...to be PASSIONATE ambassadors of God's EXTRAVAGANT love by BOLDLY sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ with EVERYONE.

In Service to Jesus,

Bro. John Verciglio



Memorials & Honorariums

BUDGET-In Honor of Patsy Crumps' 85th birthday. We love you! Mike, Melinda, Will, Ann Michael & Emma Evans and, Tammy Hambrick & Kyndal Crump.

BUDGÉT— In Honor of Jerry Gober. By Scott & Lisa Edmonson. **COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS**— In Memory of Bubba Bryant. By Jeri & Jimmy Harris.

BUDGET— In loving Memory of Hugh S. Bryand Jr. by Weldon's Pharmacy.

BUDGET– In Memory of Bubba Bryant. By John & Lynda Swiney.

BUDGET— In Honor of Deuce on his 3rd. Birthday. By Jeff Higgins.

BUDGET– In Memory of "Bubba" Hugh & Ruth Bryant. In Honor of Woody, Lisa & Laurie and their families. By Buster & Betty Jane Kornegay.

BUDGET— In Honor of Jerry Gober, Phillip Oden & Donald Wright. By Buster & Betty Jane Kornegay.

BUDGET— In Memory of Bubba Bryant. By Jack & Nancy Moon.

BUDGET-In Honor of Wade Payne, Raymond Widener & Jerry Gober. By Jack & Nancy Moon.



Fall W.E.A.C. Dates 2025

The dates for the fall W.E.A.C. season are as follows:

1.0ctober 15th, 2.0ctober 22nd, 3.(October 29th Trunk or Treat...Hot dogs, chips, cookies)
4.November 5th, 5.November 12, 6.November 19th

Make sure you get these dates on your Fall planning calendar!



Annual Charge Conference

The Annual Charge Conference for First Methodist Church Hueytown is set for Monday, November 3, 2025, 6:30 p.m. The Administrative Board should be in attendance, and the whole congregation is invited to attend this time with our Presiding Elder, Rev. Rudy Guess, as we celebrate ministry from the past year, and dream forward.