

Visitor Information

First United Methodist Church is a vibrant, caring, and active community of faith. We are committed to making Disciples of Jesus Christ who make an impact on our community and world by sharing Christ's love through worship, spiritual growth, service, and outreach. We offer two traditional worship services in the sanctuary each Sunday morning at 8:30 and 11:00 and a contemporary worship service, The Well, at 11:00 in Pratt Hall.

Next Steps

Are you wondering about your Next Steps in your faith walk? We would love to help. Whether you are seeking baptism, wanting to join a small group, discover your gifts to serve God, or learn more about being a member of FUMC, you are invited to a small gathering with Pastor Drew to explore your Next Steps. If you have any questions, please email drew@prattvillemethodist.org.

Nursery and Children's Church

A nursery is available for children ages 3 and under. Following the children's moment, children ages 4yr-2nd grade are invited to join our team of children's worship leaders for this special time of age-appropriate worship. Children may be picked up following the service in Epworth Hall in room 107 (EPW 107).

Coffee Fellowship

Following the 8:30 worship service, light refreshments are served in Pratt Hall. Stop by and enjoy a cup of coffee before Sunday school.

Sunday School

Sunday school is offered for children, youth, and adults at 9:45 each Sunday morning. Classes are offered for all ages 2 and up. Adult classes are in Wesley Hall and the Bell House. Children & Youth classes are in Epworth Hall.

Quiet Bags

Activity bags for children are available from the ushers for each worship service. Please return the bags following the service.

Announcements

TODAY: Bible 101 5pm, Children's Choirs 5pm, Genesis Singers 5pm, Prayer Ministry Team 5pm, Youth Activities 6pm, Lydia Circle 6pm.

MONDAY: Morning Bible Study 10am, Evening Bible Study 6pm.

TUESDAY: Alpha Ringers 5:30pm, Trustees 6pm, Serve Team 6pm.

WEDNESDAY: Fifty Forward Singers 10am, Wednesday United 5pm, Chancel Choir 7pm, Well Worship Team 7pm.

THURSDAY: VBS Fundraiser at Launch 4pm.

SATURDAY: Resurrection Run 8am.

RESURRECTION RUN is THIS SATURDAY. We need your help! If you would like to volunteer with food, door prizes, gift bags, or if you are an adult who can volunteer anywhere, contact Jeremy Pyles.

JOB OPENING. Our church is currently seeking a Director of Communication and Publicity to join our staff team. This is a part time position which requires strong creative skills and knowledge of computer programs used to generate our newsletter. If you, or someone you may know, are interested in this position, please call the church office for more information.

WEDNESDAY UNITED ACTIVITIES:

The Book of James, a Bible study led by Pastor Bobby in Pratt Hall.

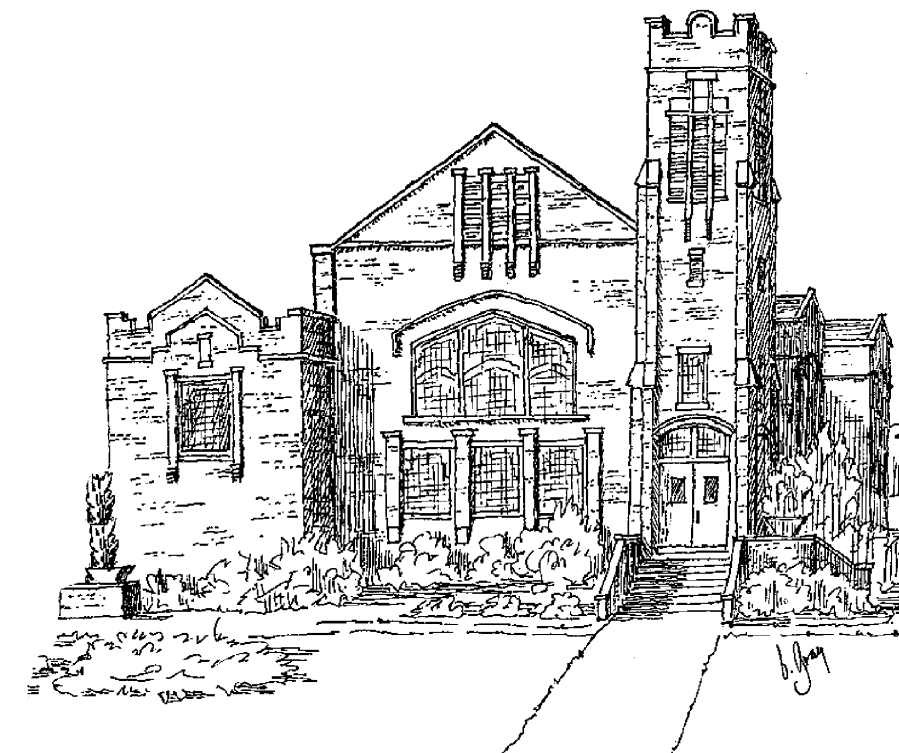
Bible Journaling in WES 208. Supplies are provided.

Walk & Talk continues on its journey, meeting in WES 102.

VBS FUNDRAISER at Launch Trampoline Park. Thursday night, April 19th, from 4-8pm. If we get 50 or more jumpers, VBS will receive 25% of the proceeds!

A SERVICE OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL! Adullam House in Wetumpka needs help replacing wood and applying sealant to a bridge. Meet at the church at 8am and return early afternoon. Call the church office to sign up.

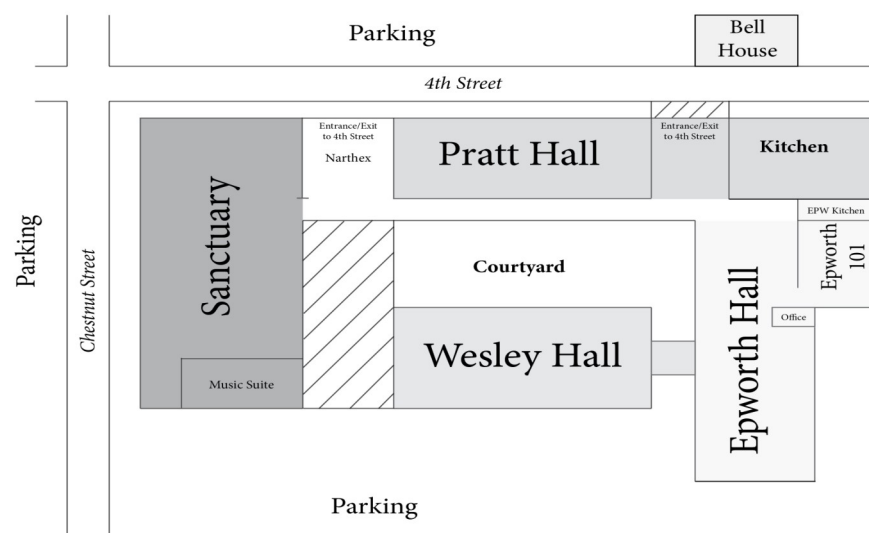
CHURCH FAMILY REUNION! Sunday, April 29th will be our next Church Family Reunion. Bring a dish to share and enjoy good food and fellowship. Inflatables for the Kids! 6pm in Pratt Hall.



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

3rd Sunday of Easter
April 15, 2018
8:30 and 11:00 AM

Campus Map



Focus on Stewardship

Attendance 4/8/2018: 551

2018 Operating Budget: \$1,432,455.89

Received April 8th: NA

Total received 2018: \$271,827.70

Chestnut Café Menu for April 18th: Chicken & Wild Rice Casserole, Green Beans w/Feta, Sugared Carrots, Rolls, Cherry Chocolate Chip Cake
Children's Menu: Chicken & Cheese Roll-ups, Bugle Chips, Fruit Cup, Cupcake

Attention: Church services are filmed and broadcast via the Internet, and photographs of church attendees may be displayed in printed publications or in electronic format such as on church websites or social media pages.

*Our Mission: Multiply disciples who
worship, grow, and serve
for the transformation of the world.*

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CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

INVITATION INTO SILENT MEDITATION

PRELUDE **And Can It Be** Campbell/Hamlin

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN UMH 545 AURELIA
The Church's One Foundation

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: I give thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods
I sing your praise;

People: **I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to
your name for your steadfast love and faithfulness;**

Leader: for you have exalted your name and your word above
everything.

People: **On the day I called, you answered me, you strengthened
my life.**

†OPENING PRAYER

New every morning is your love, Great God of Light, and all day
long you are working for good in the world. Stir up in us desire to
serve you, to live peacefully with our neighbors, and to devote each
day to your Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us greet one another with signs of peace
and reconciliation.

WELCOME

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY **Simple Gifts** Shaker Melody/Hamlin
Charlotte Nichols, organist

†DOXOLOGY UMH 95
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMH 881
The Apostles' Creed

†GLORIA PATRI
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in
the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Stacey Lewis
(Dismissal of 4yr olds - 2nd grade for Children's Church to EPW 109)

ANTHEM **The King of Love My Shepherd Is** arr. Murphy
Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE READING Acts 3:1-10
*One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the hour of prayer, at three o'clock
in the afternoon. ²And a man lame from birth was being carried in. People would lay him
daily at the gate of the temple called the Beautiful Gate so that he could ask for alms from
those entering the temple. ³When he saw Peter and John about to go into the temple, he
asked them for alms. ⁴Peter looked intently at him, as did John, and said, 'Look at us.'
⁵And he fixed his attention on them, expecting to receive something from them. ⁶But Peter
said, 'I have no silver or gold, but what I have I give you; in the name of Jesus Christ of
Nazareth, stand up and walk.' ⁷And he took him by the right hand and raised him up; and
immediately his feet and ankles were made strong. ⁸Jumping up, he stood and began to walk,
and he entered the temple with them, walking and leaping and praising God. ⁹All the
people saw him walking and praising God, ¹⁰and they recognized him as the one who used
to sit and ask for alms at the Beautiful Gate of the temple; and they were filled with wonder
and amazement at what had happened to him.*

SERMON "What The Church Can Do For You" Rev. Ellisor

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

†HYMN OF RESPONSE UMH 591 RESCUE
Rescue the Perishing

†BENEDICTION

†CLOSING **Choral Amen** Chancel Choir

†POSTLUDE **Hallelujah! What a Savior** arr. Whitworth

†Please stand as you are able.

Through Our Prayers

CHURCH FAMILY - Brasel family, Jeanne Burson, Karen Cooper, Joe Davis, Betty Estes, Jane Finley, Joyce Flournoy, Carol Harris, Mike Harris, Rev. Leonard & Carlyn Howell, Hughes' Triplets, Mac Macready, Joan McCloskey, Jeanette Mellown, Louise Moody, Hunter Marie Nanney, Jeremy Plyler, Eddie Pope, Tommy Pratt, Mary Price, Bill Ray, Ron & Angie Sargent, Bill Tatum, Harper Claire Taylor *(new to prayer list)* **Jack Smith**

EXTENDED FAMILY - Wynn Arkle, Hazel Boles, Angela Cantrell, Larry Crabtree, Gloria Grueneberg, Pete Hartsfield, Jonathan Howell, Larry Hudman, Daon Martin Johnson, Roger Lambert, Karen Robinson, Dr. Bill & Betsy Simpson, Brandon Smart, Maxine Waites
(new to prayer list) **Louella Butler, Annette Gurley, Janie Taylor**

DEATH - Col. Eric Cates, Jr. - Ann Boutwell's father

DEPLOYED - Will Camp, Patrick Martel, Our Local Marine Reserves

Participating in this Service

Rev. Bobby Ellisor Senior Pastor bobby@prattvillemethodist.org **Acolytes**
Lorin Hughes & Anna Claire Murdock (8:30)
Rev. Drew A. Willis Associate Pastor drew@prattvillemethodist.org **Crucifers**
Laura Kate Kelly & Jamie Boyer (11:00)
Jeremy Pyles - Minister of Music **Kathryn Hughes** (8:30)
Charlotte Nichols - Organist **Leighanna Kelly** (11:00)
Cynthia Summers - Pianist
Stacey Lewis - Director of Children's Ministry **Greeters**
Joey & Cathy Latham (8:30)

Fellowship Time Hostess
Will & Cindy Epperson

Ushers
Steve Banks, Billy Thompson, Arby Hines, Rusty Kauffman, Sammy Kopf, Rickey Ousley (8:30) **Altar Guild**
JoAnn Mann & JoElla McIntosh

Finance Steward
Marty Pinckard & Deborah Trotter (8:30)
David Lewis & Frances McBrien (11:00)

Sound Operator
John Graves (8:30) Frank Yeargan (11:00)

Children's Church - Stacey Lewis