

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. Let Pastor Drew know if you are interested.

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 109 (EPW 109).

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: Trustees Team 12noon, Nominations/Lay Leadership Team 3:30pm, Prayer Ministry Team 4pm, Bible 101 5pm, Youth Activities 5pm.
MONDAY: Church Office closed—Martin Luther King Holiday.
TUESDAY: Alpha Handbells 5:30pm, UMW Executive Board 5:30pm, Serve Team 6pm, Trustees Team 6pm.
WEDNESDAY: 50 Forward Singers 10am, Wednesday United 5pm, Chancel Choir 7pm, The Well Worship Team 7pm.
THURSDAY: SAM Third Thursday 9:15am.

WEDNESDAY UNITED:

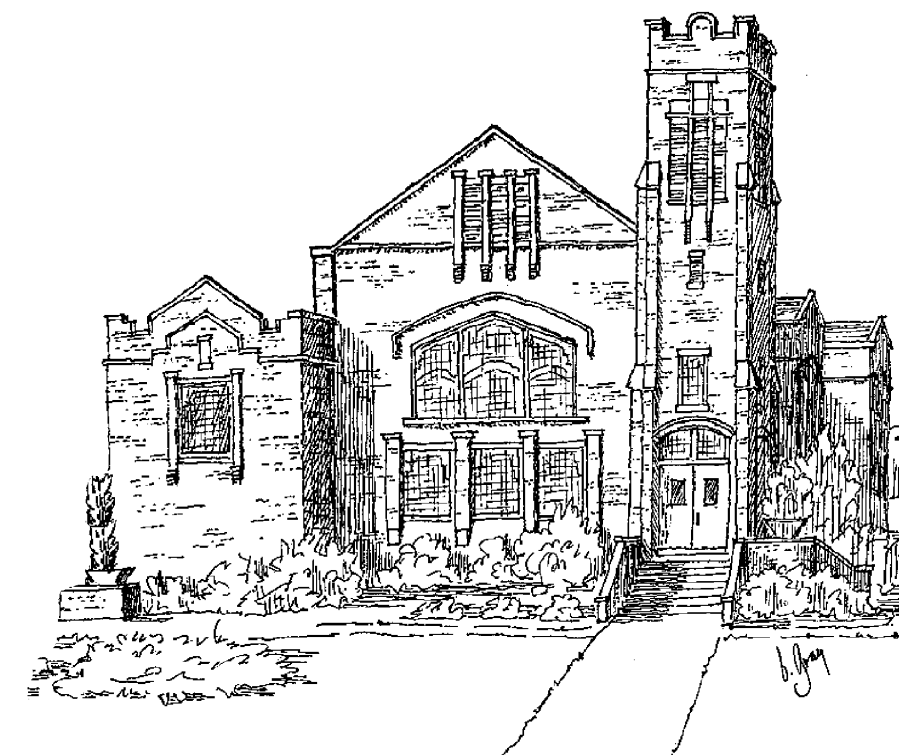
Chestnut Café at 5pm and the following studies / activities:

1. A 4-week Study on Paul's Epistle to the Galatians. Led by Carol Risher and meeting in Pratt Hall.
2. The Linus Project will be tying blankets in WES 211.
3. Fitness / Bible Study. Meet Leslie in WES 104 and Walk and Talk! Wear your walking shoes . . . nothing strenuous!

SOUND OPERATORS needed. Please contact Jeremy Pyles for more details. No experience is necessary.

COLLEGE/CAREER CLASS has started on Sunday mornings at 9:45am in WES 211. If you are in college or just getting your career started join this group led by Shane & Brenda Tuck.

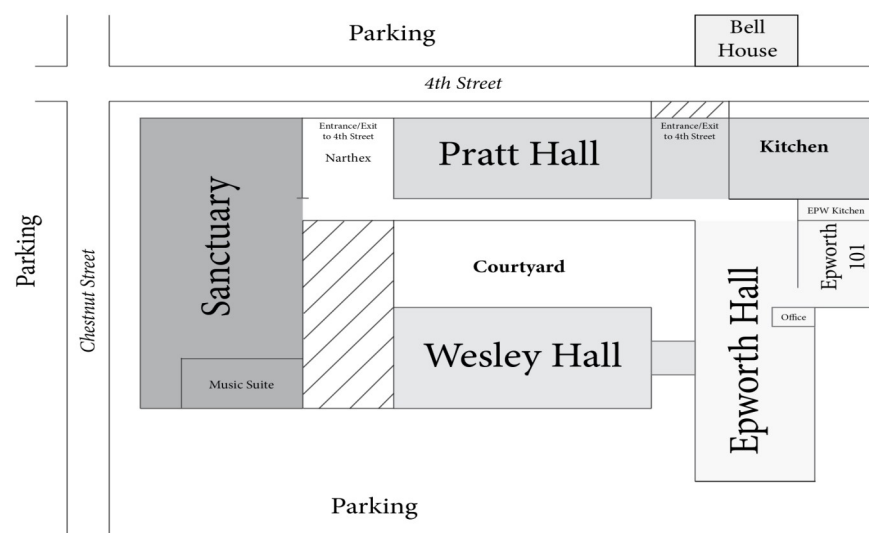
ELA OPEN HOUSE will be January 21st from 2-3pm in EPW 109. Come join our Kindergarten Director & Teacher for an informational question and answer meeting about our program and why we think it is one of the best in the area! Refreshments will be served.



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

2nd Sunday after the Epiphany
 January 14, 2018
 8:30 and 11:00 AM

Campus Map



Focus on Stewardship

Attendance 1/7/2018: 462
2018 Operating Budget: \$1,432,455.89
 Received January 7th: \$23,817.45
 Total received 2018: \$23,817.45

Chestnut Café Menu for January 17th: Ham, Squash Casserole, Lima Beans, Cornbread, Pineapple Upside Down Cake
Children's Menu: Pigs in a Blanket, Tator Tots, Applesauce, Ice Cream Sandwich

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

Jeremy Pyles

PRELUDE

Fugue on the Kyrie
“Kyrie eleison translates as Lord, Have Mercy”

Couperin

†PROCESSIONAL HYMN (UMW 340)

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

RESTORATION

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times; God’s praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: My soul makes its boasts in the Lord; let the afflicted hear and be glad.

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt God’s name together!

People: I sought the Lord, who answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.

†OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, you have promised to never leave us orphaned. Yet, sometimes we look with our eyes and fail to see your presence as they did in the days of old. Give us a new vision, this day, so that we can see your spirit that we have felt in our hearts. Help us to continually reclaim our identity that is bound up in you O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. For it is in your name we pray. 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

I Cried to God in My Distress
Charlotte Nichols, organist

Willan

†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

Hear My Prayer
Chancel Choir

arr. Hogan

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 12:1-6

To the leader: according to The Sheminith. A Psalm of David.

Help, O LORD, for there is no longer anyone who is godly; the faithful have disappeared from humankind. ² They utter lies to each other; with flattering lips and a double heart they speak. ³ May the LORD cut off all flattering lips, the tongue that makes great boasts, ⁴ those who say, ‘With our tongues we will prevail; our lips are our own—who is our master?’ ⁵ ‘Because the poor are despoiled, because the needy groan, I will now rise up,’ says the LORD; ‘I will place them in the safety for which they long.’ ⁶ The promises of the LORD are promises that are pure, silver refined in a furnace on the ground, purified seven times.

SERMON

The Positive Side of Disappointment

Rev. Ellisor

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

†HYMN OF RESPONSE UMH 451

SLANE

Be Thou My Vision

†BENEDICTION

†CLOSING

Choral Amen

Chancel Choir

†POSTLUDE

Let Me Be Thine Forever

J.C. Bach

†Please stand as you are able.

Through Our Prayers

CHURCH FAMILY - Brasel family, Marie Cherry, Karen Cooper, Joe Davis, Mike Harris, Rev. Leonard & Carlyn Howell, Hughes’ Triplets, Cleta Johnson, Mac Macready, Billy & Jeanette Mellown, Louise Moody, Hunter Marie Nanney, Doug & Pat Nelson, Eddie Pope, Tommy Pratt, Mary Price, Ron & Angie Sargent, Bill Tatum, Joan Taylor *(new to prayer list)* **Bob Olson**

EXTENDED FAMILY - Cheryl Anderson, Wynn Arkle, Shannon Beddington & Family, Hazel Boles, Grace Bunke, Angela Cantrell, Rob Cook, Pamela Cooper, Larry Crabtree, Donna Denning, Robert Gamper Family, Gloria Grueneberg, Pete Hartsfield, Jonathan Howell, Larry Hudman, Amy Moore, Beverly Price, Emmy Rogers, Ed Sauls *(new to prayer list)* **Linda Hurst**

DEPLOYED - **Will Camp, Elijah Clark, Steven Doubler, Patrick Martel, Our Local Marine Reserves**

Participating in this Service

Rev. Bobby Ellisor Senior Pastor
bobby@prattvillemethodist.org

Rev. Drew A. Willis Associate Pastor
drew@prattvillemethodist.org

Jeremy Pyles - Minister of Music

Charlotte Nichols - Organist

Cynthia Summers - Pianist

Stacey Lewis - Director of Children’s Ministry

Fellowship Time Hostess

Jake & Suzette Powell

Ushers

Tony Page, Rocky Minor, Steve Golsan, Scott Myers, Jim Minor, Howard Wills (8:30)

Louis Colley, Gray Price, John Boutwell, Richard Williams, David Lewis, Paul Cobb, Wilbur Benton, Bob Nanney (11:00)

Acolytes

Jasper Jones & Campbell Hallman (8:30)

Marion Lewis & Lillian Robbins (11:00)

Crucifers

Jack Hallman (8:30)

Amelia Robbins (11:00)

Greeters

Ed & Sandra Harvey (8:30)

Bill & Pam Ray (11:00)

Altar Guild

Charlotte Edwards & Marion Scott

Finance Steward

Steve Wells & Katie Lindsey (8:30)

Holly Foster & Matthew Lewis (11:00)

Sound Operator

Steve Wells (8:30) Frank Yeargan (11:00)

Children’s Church Margaret Murdock (8:30) Amy Cummins (11:00)