

Guest Information

Thank you for joining us for worship! Prattville First Methodist Church is a vibrant, caring, and active community of faith, affiliated with the Global Methodist denomination. 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 8:30am and 11:00am.

Nursery and Children’s Worship

A nursery is available for children ages 4 and younger. Following the “children’s moment,” children in Kindergarten through 6th grade are invited to join our team of children’s worship leaders for a special time of age-appropriate worship. Children may be picked up following the service in Epworth Hall in room 206 (EPW 206). The first Sunday of each month, the children remain in the sanctuary for communion. If you need assistance in locating the nursery, please ask a member of our hospitality team.

Children’s Activity Bags

New activity bags for children are available at the rear of the sanctuary. The bags include quiet games, puzzles, and coloring sheets for our youngest worshipers. Please ask a member of the hospitality team to assist you.

Sunday School

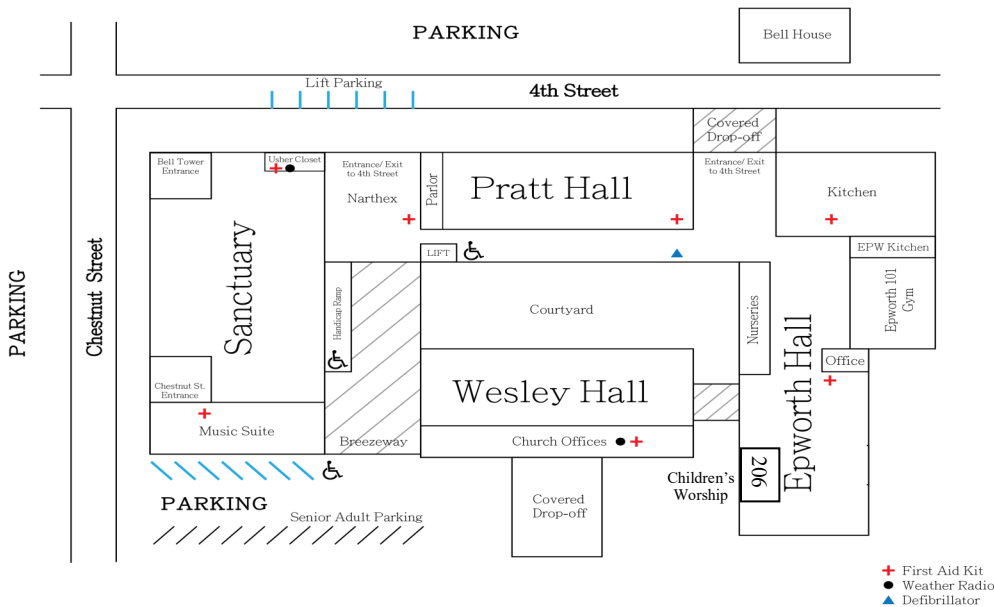
Sunday School is offered for children, youth, and adults at 10:00 each Sunday morning. Classes are offered for all ages 2 and older. Adult classes are in Wesley Hall and Epworth Hall. Children & Youth classes are in Epworth Hall. All are welcome. Please ask a member of our hospitality team for the location of classes.



Adult Sunday School and Weekly Small Groups

Scan this QR code for more information about the Adult Sunday School classes and our weekly Small Groups for adults

Prattville First Methodist Campus Map



This Week at Prattville First Methodist

- Today:** 9:40am Fellowship Time, donuts and coffee (Pratt Hall)
10:00am Sunday School / Small Groups
10:00am Acolyte Training (Sanctuary)
- Monday:** 6:00pm Serve Team and Agape Volunteer Meeting (Wesley 101)
- Tuesday:** 6:00pm Summer Book Club (Wesley 102)
- Wednesday:** 5:00pm Agape Dinner for First Responders (Pratt Hall)
6:30pm Chancel Choir (Choir Suite)
- Thursday:** 6:00pm Small Group Leaders Meeting (Wesley 101)
- Saturday:** 10am - 2pm Sink-A-Palooza at the YMCA

Announcements

Optional Combined Sunday School Class, 10am in Pratt Hall

August 9: The Significance of the Nicene Creed for Methodists

Agape Dinner Volunteers Needed: We still need volunteers for our Agape dinner this Wednesday. Volunteer training this morning at 9:30 in the Parlor or 6:00 Monday in Wesley 101.

Summer Reading Club - this Tuesday, August 11, 6:00pm in Wesley 102

“The Five People You Meet in Heaven” by Mitch Albom.

2026 Confirmation Class - Student & Parent Meeting, August 16th @ 12pm

Do you have a child that will be a 6th grader this fall? Join us for lunch to learn more about Confirmation. 12:00 noon in the gym.

PFMC Family Night with the Biscuits! - Saturday, August 29th @ 6:05pm.

Gates open at 5pm and tickets are \$5.00. If you would like to ride on the church bus, please contact the church @ 334-365-5977. Use the QR code to order your tickets and they will be available at the church.



Logan Brendle Concert - Sun, August 30th @ 6:00

Don't miss a special night of worship and testimony with Logan Brendle. Logan was part of leading worship during the Asbury Outpouring in 2023 and will be sharing stories from that experience along with music from her new album. It's going to be a meaningful night of worship together! Love offering only.

Meals - on - Wheels

During the month of September we need you to be the hands and feet of Jesus! Help deliver meals in our community to those in need. Sign up by calling Bruce or Robin Killough at 334-850-5942.

Backpack Ministry "stock the pantry" Ravioli drive

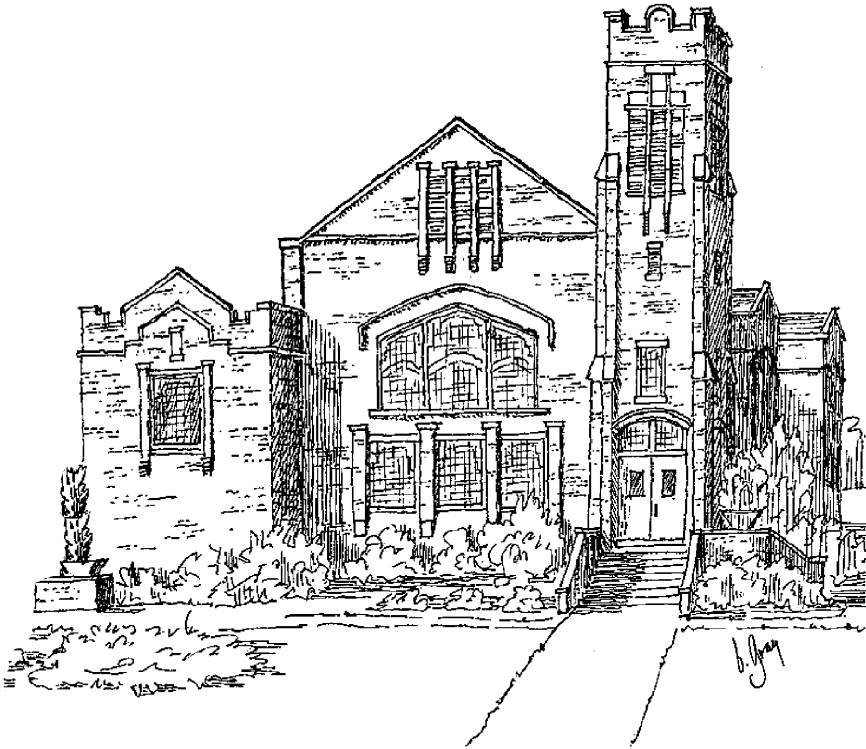
Please help us fill the backpack ministry pantry with 15oz. pop-top cans of ravioli. Ravioli is a staple of our backpack ministry and we use many cans during the year. Leave your donations in the office next to Freda's desk or in the narthex.

Baptism At The Creek - Sunday, September 13

Reaffirm your baptism, or, get baptized for the first time. Sunday, September 13, 6pm, Autauga Creek (park creekside behind City Hall). Hot dogs, chips, and water provided. Contact the church office to sign up for either reaffirmation of your baptism or first-time baptism.

Holy Land Trip, October 6-15, 2026

Over 50 tour companies are booking trips for this fall. Such a beautiful season in Israel! This will be Pastor Larry’s fourth trip (third as a Tour Host). Our tour company, *Educational Opportunities*, has a perfect safety record over the last 53 years. They intend to keep it that way! So come on for a life-changing and faith-transforming experience. Contact Pastor Larry to talk about it or sign up!



Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 9, 2026

8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

“...for in Him we live and move and have our being”

~ Acts 17:28

The mission of Prattville First Methodist Church is to develop faithful disciples of Jesus Christ who passionately worship, generously serve, and unselfishly love, all for the glory of God.



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A Global Methodist Congregation

Restrooms are located outside the church office in Wesley Hall, near the kitchen in Pratt Hall, and to the right of the elevator upstairs in Epworth Hall.

MORNING WORSHIP

August 9, 2026

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Before the service, speak to God; during the service, let God speak to you;
after the service, speak to others.

Chiming of the Trinity

The three chimes signify the presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Prelude

He is Lord

arr. K. Christopher

Introit

Come, Christians Join to Sing

arr. Pethel

Welcome and Announcements

Faith Patton

We welcome each of you to this service! Please register your attendance on the attendance pads that are located at the end of your row. Let us know if you are new, would like to become a member, or are interested in more information about Prattville First Methodist. We pray that this time together will bless and inspire you.

†Processional Hymn

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

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†Call to Worship

Hunter Taylor

Leader: God is our rock and our fortress.

People: God is our refuge and strength.

Leader: God is our hope and our trust.

People: We praise God continually!

†Opening Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: God of grace and transformation, we thank you again today for your promise of plans to prosper us and not to harm us, plans to give us hope and a future. Help us to trust in your power, that we may respond to your calling upon our lives, praise you freely and rejoice in the power of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

†Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*universal

†Gloria Patri

Meineke

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.

†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.		
Mission Moment:	Backpack Ministry	Lorna Golson
Concerns and Celebrations of the Congregation		Dr. Wayne Perry
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer		
Offering		
Your tithes and offerings financially support the vibrant mission and ministries of PFMC		
Thank you! The central part of worship is to consecrate each gift for the Lord. We are deeply grateful for your commitment to Christ, the church, and growing His Kingdom.		
Anthem	Tune My Heart to Sing God's Praise	arr. Larson
	Chancel Choir	
†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.		
Children's Moment		Stacey Lewis
(Children K - 6th grade are invited to Children's Worship in Epworth 206.)		
†Hymn	God Is So Good	52
Scripture Reading	Acts 17:22-28	N.T. 105
Sermon	"The Journey Home"	Faith Patton
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
Those desiring to unite with the church, either by profession of faith or by transfer of membership, are invited to join the minister at the chancel rail during the singing of the final verse of the Hymn of Response.		
†Hymn of Response	Have Thine Own Way, Lord	343
†Benediction		Faith Patton
†Postlude		
After the service, please turn and greet those nearest you.		
†Please stand as you are able.		

Prayer Concerns	
Church Family: Sabrina Colburn, Alice DeRamus, Jo Felio, Greg Fowl, Mike Harris, Carlyn Howell, Andy & Sandy Hudman, Anita Kasten, Betty Lamar, Nancy Lovvorn, Louise Moody, Carol Pearson, Donna Von Gal (new prayer needs) Jim Haisten, Sandra Jones, Bonnie Shanholtzer, Grant Wadsworth	
Extended Family: Libby Barrett, Jenna Chambliss, Austin Cochran, Richard Dudley, Reese Hall, Whitney Hill, Brian Horton, Angela Howell, Buddy Mickler, Connor Mims, Randy Parsons, Drew Peterson, Kathleen Rush, Cliff Schmitt, Johnny Stinson, Beckie Stringfellow, Barbara Tatum, Bill Tatum, Clayton Thompson (new prayer needs) Jessa Budreau & baby Grant, Cathee Gipson, Bob Hoffman	

The flowers on the altar have been placed to the Glory of God by Linda McCullough in honor of all teachers and students returning for the new school year.	
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Sermon Notes	
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Also Serving in Worship	
Jeremy Pyles, Director of Music Ministries	
Charlotte Nichols, Organist Christy Henson, Pianist	
8:30am: Bella Hallman, Crucifer Caroline Miller & Nancy Currier, Acolytes	
Ann Fuller and Sara Elizabeth Fuller, Altar Guild	

2026 STEWARDSHIP	
through June 30	
Tithes & Offerings received: \$836,700.00	
Expenditures Year-To-Date: \$911,296.00	
Budget Needs Year-To-Date: \$945,896.00	
“...according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus”	