

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

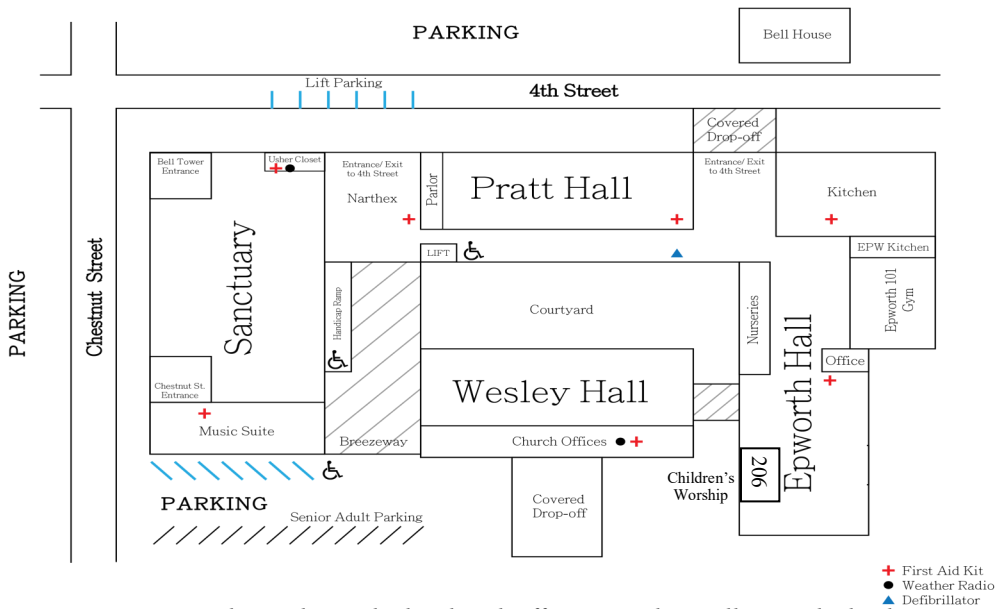
Sunday School is offered for children, youth, and adults at 10:00 each Sunday morning. Classes are offered for all ages 2 and older. Adult classes are in Wesley Hall and Epworth Hall. Children & Youth classes are in Epworth Hall. All are welcome. Please ask a member of our hospitality team for the location 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
12:00pm Confirmation Class Student/Parent Lunch (Gym)
2:00pm Greensprings Serve Event (Greensprings)
5:00pm Genesis Singers (Choir Suite)
Tuesday: 12:00pm Lunch & Learn (Pratt Hall)
5:30pm Handbell Choir (Sanc 104)
5:30pm Trustees Team (Wesley 101)
6:30pm Finance Team (Wesley 101)
Wednesday: 11:00am 50 Forward Choir (Choir Suite)
5:00pm Wednesday Night Dinner
5:45pm Children's Choirs (various rooms)
6:00pm Adult Studies (check website for adult studies)
6:00pm Youth Activities (Youth Room)
6:30 pm Children's Activities (Epworth 101, the gym)
6:30pm Chancel Choir (Choir Suite)
Thursday: 11:00am Congregational Care Team (Wesley 101)

Announcements

2026 Confirmation Class - Student & Parent Meeting/Lunch, today @ 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.

Wednesday Night Dinner and Activities begin this Wednesday, August 19
Dinner - 5-5:45pm in Pratt Hall
Children's Choirs - 5:45-6:30pm
Children's Activities - 6:30-7:30pm in the gym
Adult Studies - 6:00pm

- 1) *Islam from a Christian Perspective* led by Carol Risher in Wesley 104
Repeat class: Thursdays at 10am in Wesley 104
- 2) *The Acts of the Apostles* led by Faith Patton in Wesley 208

Youth Worship - 6:00 - 7:30pm in the Youth Room

Menu for Wednesday, August 19 - Larry's Picks
Hamburger Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Rolls, Salad Bar and Chocolate Cake **Kids:** Hamburger Slider and Tater Tots

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.



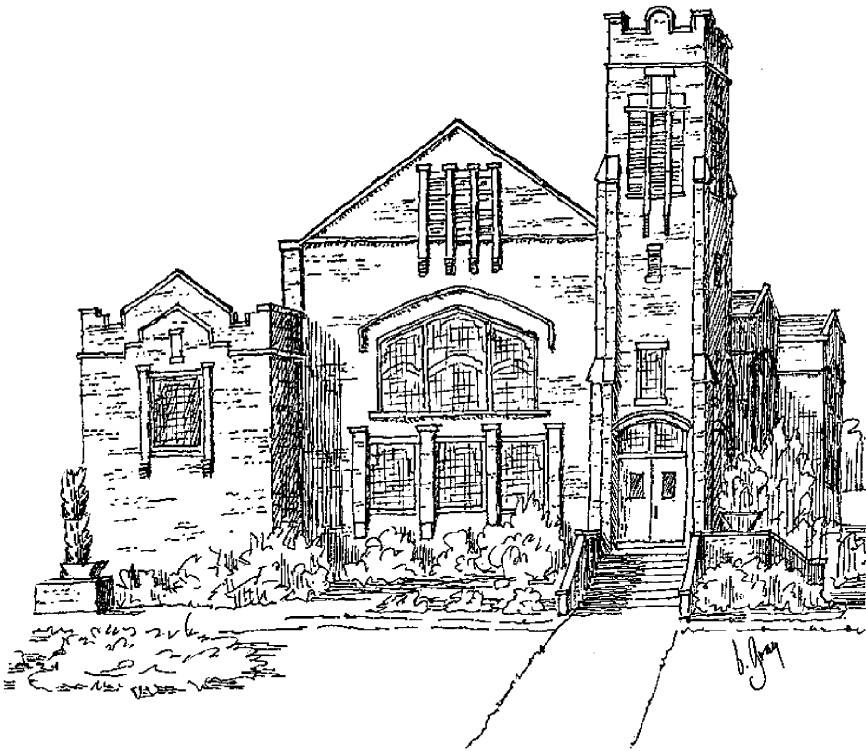
Bible Club Dates - Sundays at 2pm at Pratt Court
Bible Club will be on August 23, September 20, October 25, November 15, and December 13. Youth and Volunteers please mark your calendars.

Logan Brendle Concert - Sun, August 30th @ 6:00
Don't miss a special night of worship and testimony with Logan Brendle. 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 is going strong!
Leave your donations in the church office or in the narthex.

Baptism At The Creek - Sunday, Sept. 13 - call the church office to register.



Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
August 16, 2026
8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

*"Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you."
~ 1 Peter 5:7*

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.

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.

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A Global Methodist Congregation

MORNING WORSHIP

August 16, 2026

Twelfth 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

Rejoice the Lord is King

arr. D. Wagner

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Larry 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

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

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†Call to Worship

Joel Chaffer

Leader: The Lord redeems the life of the Lord’s servants.

People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: No one who takes refuge in God will be condemned.

People: Praise the Lord!

†Opening Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: Living God, your Son Jesus Christ has the words of eternal life.

Grant that we may come to him in faith, follow him in this world,

and abide with him forever in the world to come; for he dwells with

you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. 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.

Recognition of Educators

Concerns and Celebrations of the Congregation

Faith Patton

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

Great is the Lord

Chancel Choir

arr. Parks

†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

Blessing of the Backpacks

Stacey Lewis

(Children K - 6th grade are invited to Children’s Worship in Epworth 206.)

†Hymn

My Jesus, My Savior

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Scripture Reading

John 5: 1-15

N.T. 73

Sermon

“The Difference Jesus Makes”

Rev. Larry 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

I Need Thee Every Hour

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†Benediction

Rev. Larry 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, Jim Haisten, Mike Harris, Carlyn Howell, Andy & Sandy Hudman, Anita Kasten, Betty Lamar, Nancy Lovvorn, Louise Moody, Carol Pearson, Donna Von Gal, Grant Wadsworth (new prayer needs) Patty Macready, Sandra Jones, Bernie Dickinson and Family, Eddie Nummy and Family

Extended Family: Libby Barrett, Jessa Budreau & baby Grant, Jenna Chambliss, Austin Cochran, Richard Dudley, Cathee Gipson, Reese Hall, Whitney Hill, Bob Hoffman, Brian Horton, Angela Howell, Buddy Mickler, Connor Mims, Drew Peterson, Kathleen Rush, Cliff Schmitt, Beckie Stringfellow, Johnny Stinson, Barbara Tatum, Bill Tatum, Clayton Thompson

Death: Bonnie Shanholtzer - PFM Member

Edna Nummy - PFM Member

The flowers on the altar have been placed to the Glory of God in honor of Patty Crowley.

Sermon Notes

The Difference _____

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Also Serving in Worship

Jeremy Pyles, Director of Music Ministries

Charlotte Nichols, Organist Christy Henson, Pianist

8:30am: Ian Kennedy, Crucifer Bradley Hunter and Winn Jones, 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”