

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

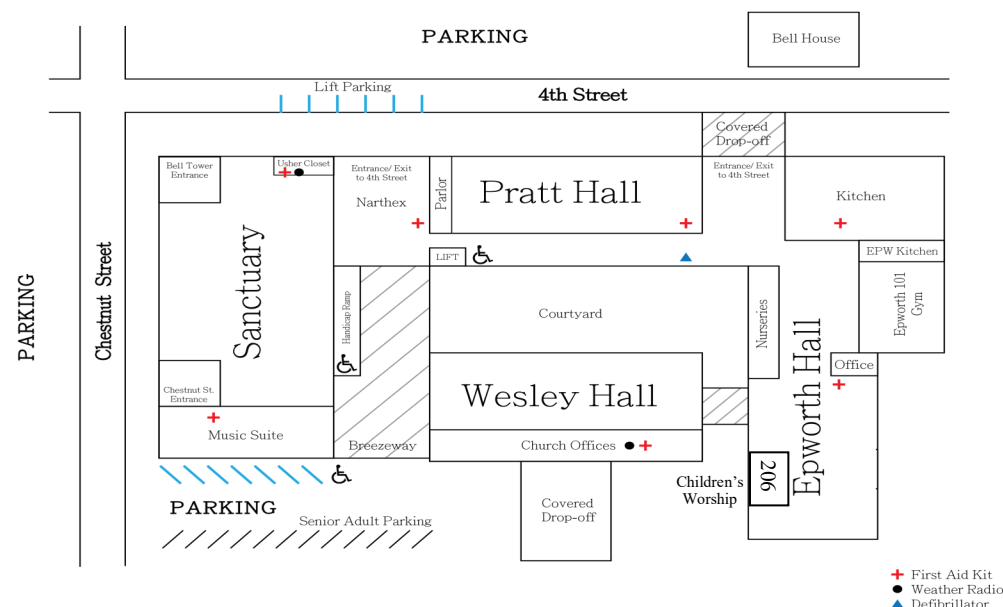
Sunday School is offered for children, youth, and adults at 10:00 each Sunday morning. Classes are offered for all ages 2 and older. Adult classes are in Wesley Hall and Epworth Hall. Children & Youth classes are in Epworth Hall. All are welcome. Please ask a member of our hospitality team for the location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



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.

This Week at Prattville First Methodist

Today: 9:40am Fellowship Time (Pratt Hall)
10:00am Sunday School/Small Groups
6:00pm Youth Parent/Volunteer Meeting (Gym)

Announcements

Youth Parent & Volunteer Meeting - today at 6 PM in the Gym

If you are a parent of a student in the youth ministry, current volunteer, or are interested in volunteering, please join us on June 28! We can't wait to look at the year ahead for our Youth Ministry!

Combined Worship - July 5th, 10:00am in the Sanctuary

Join us next Sunday, July 5th, for a combined worship service at 10am. Optional adult Sunday School at 9am. Let's come together to celebrate God's gift of America, faith, and freedom!

Youth Mission Week - July 6-9

The youth will be volunteering at the Prattville Humane Shelter, Montgomery Food Bank, Hope Inspired Ministries, and cleaning around the church!

Public Reading of the Declaration of Independence

Wednesday, July 8 - 6:00-6:45pm - The Lyric, downtown Prattville
The Mayor, Pastor Larry, and other pastors will be involved. Special Music! All Invited! 250 years . . . God Bless America!

Kids Color War - Wednesday, July 8 - from 5:00 - 6:30pm

WHO: Kids in grades K4-5th grade WHERE: Bell House Lawn
WHAT TO WEAR: White or light-colored clothes, (they WILL get messy!), closed-toe shoes. Optional: sunglasses or bandana
FREE DINNER: Hot dogs, chips, and a visit from the ICE CREAM TRUCK
Registration Deadline: July 6

Senior Lunch Bunch - July 9th (note date change)

All Seniors mark your calendars for Thursday, July 9th. Meet at Ding How Chinese Buffet at 11:30am for a great time of good food and fellowship. Call the church office by Wednesday, July 8th to make your reservations.

Optional Combined Adult Sunday School Class - July 12 - August 9

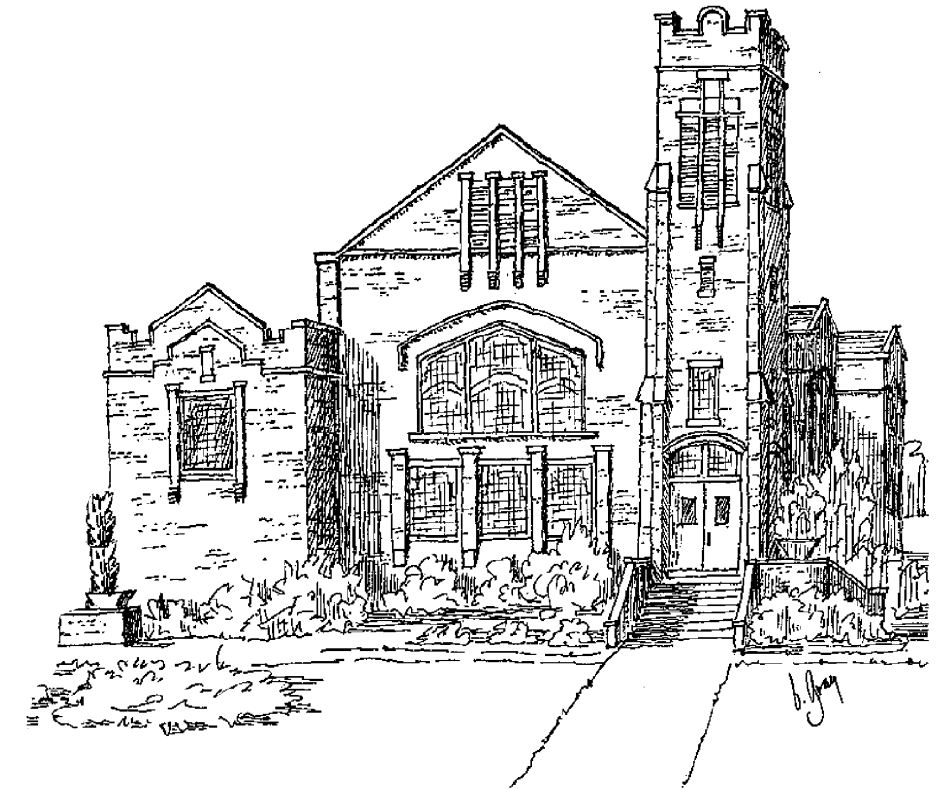
We will have a combined Adult Sunday School opportunity (check with your teacher on whether your class will continue to meet) July 12- August 9. Each lesson is a stand-alone, so you won't be behind if you can't make every class. Meeting location TBA. Here are the lessons we have planned: How do Methodists understand Baptism? How do Methodists Understand Communion? Prayer and Daily Devotion as a Spiritual Discipline. The history and importance of the Apostles Creed. The history and importance of the Nicene Creed.

Summer Reading Club - 6:00pm in Wesley 102 - July 14

Our July summer reading selection is "Surprised by Joy" by C.S. Lewis. This is the autobiographical work about Lewis's early life and spiritual journey from atheism to Christianity. This promises to be an inspiring and thoughtful read!

Thank You for the Snacks!

A big thank you to everyone who generously provided snacks for our VBS Adult Snack Room. Our adults were well fed and we appreciate you helping to make the week extra special! If you brought snacks in a container, those containers are now available for pickup in the Library. Thanks!



Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2026

8:30 AM AND 11:00 AM

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing".
~ John 15:5

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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MORNING WORSHIP

June 28, 2026

Fifth 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	Processional	Gauthrop
Introit	God Bless America	arr. Vinson/Smith Chancel Choir

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** **God of Our Fathers** 59

†**Call to Worship** Hunter Taylor

Leader: Shout to the Lord, songs of gratitude.

People: God has blessed us mightily!

Leader: Remember all the blessings God has poured into your life!

People: We are so thankful for everything God continues to do in our lives.

Leader: Offer your praise to God, even in the midst of troubles.

People: We sing our praise in the midst of fear and despair, for God is with us!

†**Opening Prayer**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray together

All: Gracious Father, what a joy to come before you this day and thank you for the great gift of America, and for your grace that has enabled us to experience abundant life through Jesus. Thank you for all the blessings of our lives and renew our gratitude. We collectively acknowledge your mercies, which are new every day, and we ask you to guide us and multiply our blessings. Thank you for always hearing and drawing near when we call upon you in prayer. To your honor and greater glory, 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.
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†**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.

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 **This is My Song** arr. Lawson
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.**

†**Prayer of Consecration**
Gracious God, we give because you first gave to us - Life and Saving Grace. Fulfill our joy and expand our reach as we share in the work of your church on earth, by the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

Children's Moment Stacey Lewis
(Children K - 6th grade are invited to Children's Worship in Epworth 206.)

Scripture Reading **Deuteronomy 8: 10-14** O.T. 130

Sermon **"A Declaration of Dependence"** 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** **Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory** 283

†**Benediction** Rev. Larry Patton

†**Postlude** **Hold Strong the Flags of Freedom** Hughes

After the service, please turn and greet those nearest you.

†Please stand as you are able.

Prayer Concerns

Church Family: Tony & Tracy Camara and Family, Sabrina Colburn, Alice DeRamus, Jo Felio, Mike Harris, Andy & Sandy Hudman, Anita Kasten, Betty Lamar, Nancy Lovvorn, Louise Moody, Carol Pearson, Tom Risher (new prayer needs) **Jennifer Aughtman & Family, Carlyn Howell, Sandra Jones**

Extended Family: Richard & Karen Aldridge, Libby Barrett, Della Benton, Jeremy Clarkson, Austin Cochran, Richard Dudley, Noah Weiss Gerber, Whitney Hill, Angela Howell, Buddy Mickler, Connor Mims, Kathleen Rush, Johnny Stinson, Beckie Stringfellow, Barbara Tatum, Bill Tatum, Clayton Thompson (new prayer needs) **Drew Peterson**

Death: Harold "Woody" Woodman Jr. - father of Jennifer Aughtman

Pray for the Prattville High School Marching Band as they travel to Philadelphia to march in the 250th Birthday America Parade. This is an honor for our band and we are proud of them!

The flowers on the altar have been placed to the Glory of God in celebration of Liam Taylor on his 21st birthday with love from T.D.

Sermon Notes

Making your _____ on God.

1. Acknowledge _____

2. Abide _____

3. Insist on _____

4. Accept _____

5. Act out of _____

Also Serving in Worship

Charlotte Nichols, Organist Marianne Gamper, Pianist
8:30 - Kate McCain, Crucifer
Tatum Butts and Caroline Miller, Acolytes
Mary Ann Chambliss and Cheryl Myers, Altar Guild