

## 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 worshippers. Please ask a member of the hospitality team to assist you.

### Sunday School

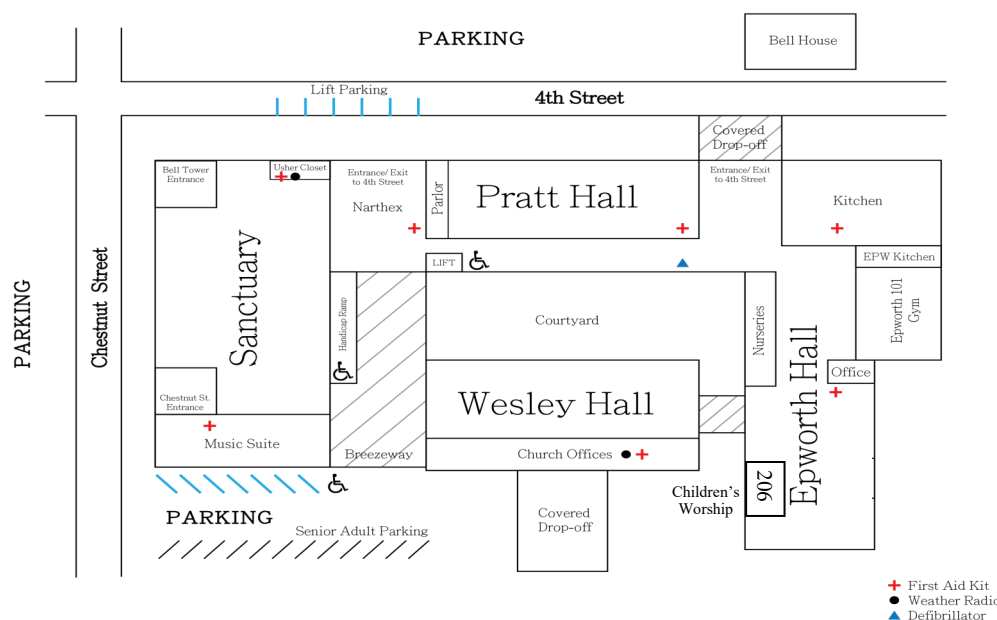
Sunday School is offered for children, youth, and adults at 10:00 each Sunday morning. Classes are offered for all ages 2 and older. Adult classes are in Wesley Hall and Epworth Hall. Children & Youth classes are in Epworth Hall. All are welcome. Please ask a member of our hospitality team for the location 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 (Pratt Hall)  
 10:00am Sunday School/Small Groups
- Monday:** 11:00am Opelika High School Choir Concert (Sanctuary)  
 6:00pm Serve Team (Wesley 101)
- Tuesday:** 10:00am Morning Sonshine Circle (Wesley 104)
- Wednesday:** 10:00am ELA Spring Concert (Sanctuary)  
 11:00am 50 Forward Choir (Choir Suite)  
 6:30pm Chancel Choir (Choir Suite)

## Announcements

### All Ladies - Happy Mother's Day

We have a gift for you today. Please take this token of our appreciation before you leave today.

### Opelika High School Choir Concert - Monday, May 11 @ 11:00am

Invite your friends and family and enjoy a beautiful concert to brighten your day!

**Senior Bibles:** Next Sunday we will honor our graduating Seniors. Stop by Pratt Hall today or anytime through this Thursday to sign the gift Bibles and highlight your favorite verse for these students.

### May 17th - Senior Recognition Sunday - 8:30 and 11:00 worship services

Join us as we honor our 2026 Graduating Seniors at both worship services. A reception for everyone will follow the 8:30am service in Pratt Hall.

### Lunch and Learn - May 19 from 12-1 PM - Pratt Hall

Please contact the church office to reserve a seat! No charge for lunch, donations only. Pastor Larry will share with us a plan for Bell House and Wesley Hall renovations.

### NEW! Summer Reading Club

Join us this summer for our summer reading club! We will be reading three books. Our first selection will be *Theo of Golden*. You can find this book on Amazon or at most bookstores. Our June book discussion will be Tuesday, June 2nd, 6:30pm in Wesley 102. Please read the book in its entirety prior to attending and bring questions, notes or observations you would like to share with the group. July and August dates and book selections will be announced soon.

### College & Career Sunday School Class - Sundays at 10 AM

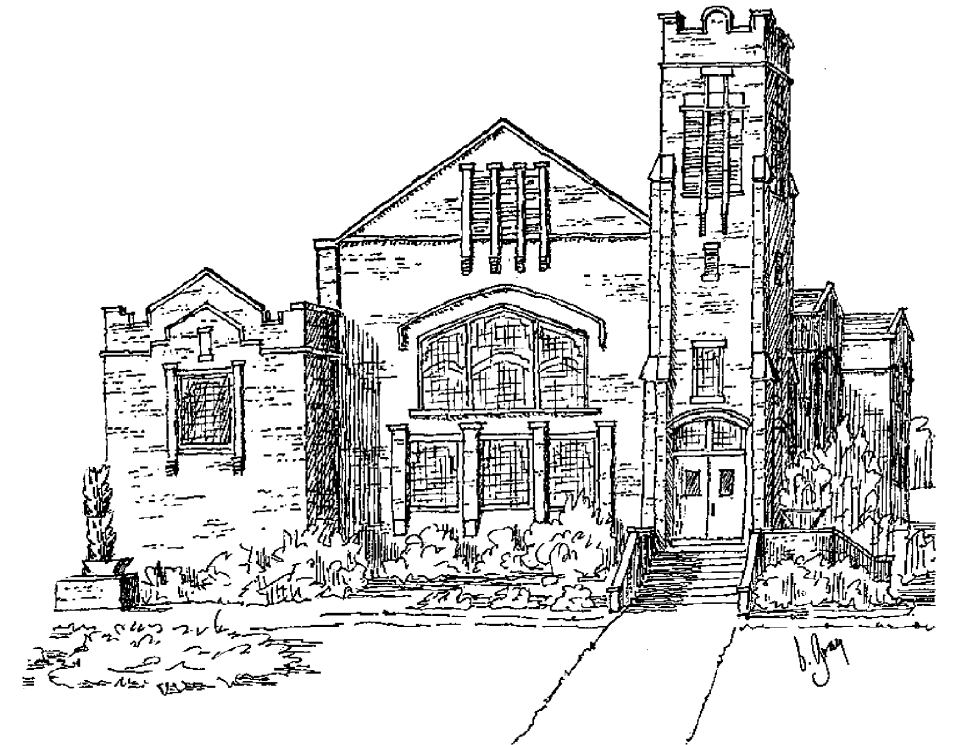
Welcome home college students! Come and join the College & Career Sunday School Class! We meet at 10 AM in Sanc 202 above the choir loft.

### Early Learning Academy news:

- 1) ELA has a limited number of availability for the 2026-2027 school year. If you know a child in need of an amazing preschool (nursery-PreK4) please reach out to [ELA@prattvillemethodist.org](mailto:ELA@prattvillemethodist.org).
- 2) ELA is looking for a preschool teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. If you, or someone you know, would be interested, please email [Amanda@prattvillemethodist.org](mailto:Amanda@prattvillemethodist.org).

### Rainforest Falls VBS 2026 - June 15-18

We will have an exciting adventure at RAINFOREST FALLS!! All Participants AND volunteers who register BEFORE May 24 will get a FREE T-SHIRT!! After May 24, T-shirts will be \$10 each while supplies last. We will also be doing a drawing for FREE ITEMS during VBS for all participants who register BEFORE May 24!! Don't delay, and register now!



**Sixth Sunday of Easter**  
**Mother's Day**  
 May 10, 2026  
 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

*"Charm is deceitful and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised."*

~ Proverbs 31: 30

*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

May 10, 2026

## Sixth Sunday of Easter

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

**The Gift of Love**

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### Welcome

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 inspire and bless you.

### Annual Conference Report

Marian Woodman

### †Processional Hymn

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty**

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### †Call to Worship:

Jennifer Aughtman

Leader: See what love has been given to us, that we should be called children of God.

**People: By this we know love, that while we were sinners, Christ died for us.**

Leader: Therefore, beloved, let us not love in word or in speech, but in deed and in truth.

**People: In this way we will be known as Christ's disciples, that we love one another.**

### †Opening Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray together.

**All: Almighty God, you knit us together in our mother's womb and breathed into us the breath of life. May we use this life to bring glory to you and lead others by our example of Christian love. We pray in the name of the one who first showed us how to love, 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; 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

### Ministry Moment (8:30)

Jennifer Bedwell

### Concerns and Celebrations of the Congregation

Rev. Larry Patton

### Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

### Offertory

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

**Down to the River to Pray**

arr. Smith

Women's Choir

### †Doxology

**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

Jeremy Pyles

**Gracious God, we give because you first gave to us - Life, Resurrection, Hope, and Love. Fulfill our joy and expand our reach as we share in the work of your church on earth. Amen.**

### Children's Moment

Stacey Lewis

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

### †Hymn

**God Give Us Christian Homes**



1. God, give us Chris-tian homes!\_ Homes where the Bi-ble is loved and taught,  
2. God, give us Chris-tian homes!\_ Homes where the moth-er, in car- ing quest,  
3. God, give us Chris-tian homes!\_ Homes where the chil-dren are led to know



Homes where the Mas-ter's will is sought, Homes crowned with beau-ty Your  
Strives to show oth-ers Your way is best, Homes where the Lord is an  
Christ in His beau-ty who loves them so, Homes where the al-tar fires



love has wrought; God give us Chris-tian homes!\_ God, give us Chris-tian homes!\_  
hon-ored guest; God give us Chris-tian homes!\_ God, give us Chris-tian homes!\_  
burn and glow; God give us Chris-tian homes!\_ God, give us Chris-tian homes!\_

### Scripture Reading

**Proverbs 31: 10-31**

O.T. 468

### Sermon

**"The Valiant Woman"**

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

**Pass It On**



1. It on-ly takes a spark to get a fire go-ing, and  
2. What a won-drous time is spring, when all the trees are bud-ding; the  
3. I wish for you, my friend, this hap-pi-ness that I've found; you



soon all those a-round can warm up in its glow-ing. That's how it is with  
birds be-gin to sing the flow-ers start their bloom-ing. That's how it is with  
can de-pend on Him, it mat-ters not where you're bound I'll shout it from the



God's love once you've ex-pe-ri-enced it; you spread His love to  
God's love once you've ex-pe-ri-enced it; you want to sing, it's  
moun-tain top ("Praise God!") I want my world to know; the Lord of love has



ev-ery-one; you want to pass it on.  
fresh like spring, you want to pass it on.  
come to me, I want to pass it on.

### †Benediction

### †Postlude

### Prayer Concerns

**Church Family:** Sabrina Colburn, Alice DeRamus, Jo Felio, Mark Harris, Mike Harris, Carlyn Howell, Andy & Sandy Hudman, Anita Kasten, Betty Lamar, Nancy Lovvorn, Louise Moody, Carol Pearson (**new prayer concerns**) **Tom Risher, Bill Tatum**

**Extended Family:** Irma Alvarez, Libby Barrett, Yon Chong, Austin Cochran, Richard Dudley, Whitney Hill, Angela Howell, David Jarnagin, Connor Mims, Drew Peterson, Mary-Mac Roy & Family, Kathleen Rush, Beckie Stringfellow, Clayton Thompson (**new prayer concerns**) **Mel Moorer**

**Memorial have been given in memory of:**

**Betty Ann Chambliss** by Pat & Annette Brownell, Carlyn Howell, Karen & Joel Powell, and David & Stacey Lewis

**Ray Brasel** by Karen & Joel Powell

**Michael Moore** by Terri Taylor

**The flowers on the altar have been placed to the Glory of God in honor and celebration of all mothers on Mother's Day.**

Hearing Devices are available in the narthex, or use this QR code to access hearing assist via your smart phone.



### Also Serving in Worship

Jeremy Pyles, Director of Music Ministries  
Charlotte Nichols, Organist Christy Henson, Pianist  
8:30: Lanieya Page, Crucifer  
Collier Marks and Mason Marks, Acolytes