



# EASTER

THE LORD IS RISEN INDEED.

LUKE 24:34

## Calendar for April 12-April 18, 2020

- April 12, Sunday, 9:00 am, Celebration Worship, Live Streaming;**  
11:00 am, Traditional Worship, Live Streaming,  
(join us for Facebook Live or on the church website for livestream audio broadcast)
- April 13, Monday, ELC Closed through the end of the school year**
- April 14, Tuesday, 6:30 pm, Mosaic, Facebook Live Streaming with Pastor Andy;**  
6:30 pm, Online Bible Study, "The Walk" with Pastor Carrie, via gotomeeting
- April 15, Wednesday, 6:00 pm, Online Bible Study with Pastor Sam, Facebook Live**
- April 16, Thursday, No activities**
- Apr 17, Friday, 11:00 am-12:00 pm, Ladle of Love, Sack Lunches, Portico entrance**  
Daily at 10:00 am, Children and families join Pastor Carrie on Facebook Live for singing and a Bible Story.

There are no Church services or activities through April 30th per the latest Federal mandate. The Church is closed during this time. During Office Hours (8:00-4:00) Monday-Friday, you may call if you have a need that we can help with. If no answer, please leave a message and a staff member will return your call. Below is a schedule of worship and times via Facebook live, GoToMeeting, and Zoom.



**Give!** Your church needs your support now more than ever! Since we have had to suspend in-person worship service, we haven't been able receive offerings (obviously). We still need your support to keep our awesome church going. You can always do online giving through our secure e-giving site. Go to our church website [www.fumcgadsden.org/give](http://www.fumcgadsden.org/give) or to the App: FUMC Gadsden to find out how or drop a check in the mail to 115 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Gadsden, AL 35901. If you can give something extra during this time, it would really help and be much appreciated! Call 256-543-8200 (church office) if you need any assistance.

## MISSION MOMENT

As your Mission Team is staying in and following guidelines to stay healthy, there is something exciting happening. We have a group of ladies sewing to make much needed masks for our hospital workers that are working the front lines for all of us! If you sew, and would like to help with this wonderful project please contact Eileen Graham at 256-399-1932.

Also there may be opportunities coming that we can pick up and deliver groceries with no contact, for our members who are unable to go out. If you would like to help with this mission, please call the church office and your name will be put on the Grocery Delivery list. (256-543-8200)



*More to come later as the needs arise!*

*The rose on the altar is in honor of the birth of*  
*Harrison Dathan Phillips*  
*March 20, 2020*  
*Parents - Dathan & Leigh*  
*Big Sister- Thea*  
*Given by the Children's Ministry*  
*and the ELC*

## Immediate Prayer Concerns Pray for our Nation!



## Continuing Prayer Concerns

- Doug Martin DeLeath Rives
- Jane Jones Joanne Hightower
- Redia Brooks Teleah Cody
- Tom Quinn Ina Davis
- Marj Ross
- Carol Callis (Gary Dial's sister)
- Thomas Jehn (Jeff & Cathea Poland's grandson)
- Gloria Vickery (Chris Thrasher's sister)
- Herman Humphrey (Jan Humphrey's father)
- Carolyn Humphrey (Jan Humphrey's mother)

## Birthdays.....

- Apr 14** Blake New, Alexander Long
- Apr 15** Evans Sizemore, James Kelley
- Apr 16** Kathie Ferguson, Jeanne Cosper, Gary Atkins
- Apr 17** Kent Haney, Denise Floyd
- Apr 18** Lance Watkins, Dave Handy, Jody Willoughby, Alyssa McNair



Birthdays Blessings

## Week of April 5, 2020

- Sunday Service live viewers
- Children's Bible Story Time daily viewers
- Mosaic live viewers Youth
- Pastor Bible Study Groups (2) live viewers
- Sunday School Groups (1) viewers
- General Offering Budget \$15,440.00
- General Offering Received \$33,488.00
- YTD General Offering Budget \$216,160.00
- YTD General Offering Received \$180,543.04
- Text to Give: 256-344-8464**
- Online Giving: [www.fumcgadsden.org/give](http://www.fumcgadsden.org/give)**

## #GFUMCConnect2020

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**The sermon player for the live audio broadcast of the sermon is located at the bottom of the page @ [www.fumcgadsden/media](http://www.fumcgadsden/media) . If you need assistance with downloading the App or finding the audio livestream or sermons on our website or app, please call Sheila @ 256-490-5018.**

All Services , Sunday School and Wonderful Wednesday and activities for children are postponed through March 31.



Hey Families! We find ourselves in an interesting place right now, however my prayer is that we can approach it as an opportunity to strengthen our families and our faith, rather than allowing fear or frustration to overtake us.

With that in mind, starting March 18, I will livestream a daily "Bible Break" at 10:00am on FacebookLive.

Together, we will sing some songs and read a Bible story. There will also be an interactive component, so be prepared to draw something, do something or search for something. My prayer is that we can cherish this unplanned time with our children, and spend some quality time together with Lord each day!



*Pastor Carrie*

## ELC News

- Classrooms have been cleaned and disinfected by teachers and staff.
- Teachers delivered bubbles to students front stoops to say hello and stay in touch. (No contact delivery!)
- Learning packets and other teaching tools were prepared and handed out for 3K and 4K.
- Zoom Meetings are taking place for students and teachers to get to see each other and talk via audio/ video.
- More plans are being made to help teachers and students stay connected!

### ELC Summer and Fall 2020-2021 Registration Dates

Registration for Summer 2020 and Fall 2020-2021 is under way. In process of reviewing class lists for openings.

Questions?? Email Helene at [elc@fumcgadsden.org](mailto:elc@fumcgadsden.org)

Youth Sunday School **Postponed**  
10 am-Rm 211, The Book of John

Youth Group

Sundays & Wednesdays, 6 pm  
Join Andy on FacebookLive or Instagram



## United Methodist Women

### UMW Luncheon

The April luncheon has been postponed.

### Circle Meeting:

LuVerna Waid Circle will meet on April 21 by GoToMeeting at 6 pm. Look for instructions in your email on how to join this meeting.

**If you would like to set up a GoToMeeting for your circle, please contact Sheila Freeman @ 256-490-5018.**



*Let us go forward together to know Christ and make him known throughout the world.*



## Wednesday Morning Bible Study

**Postponed**  
"Renovation-Building a Life with God"

## Wonderful Wednesday Postponed through April 30

Updates will be made as more information becomes available.





# Easter Greetings

Sermon by Pastor Sam Hayes

The Easter greeting, “Do not be afraid” reminds us that the Risen Christ is with us – and will never leave or forsake us...no matter what life throws at us!  
I want to invite you to “join us” by livestream this Sunday for Easter worship, or by going to Facebook Live. We will have two Facebook live services this Sunday: A “Celebration” service at 9:00, and a “Traditions” service at 11:00.

*Grace and peace,  
Pastor Sam*

Join Facebook Live on the church page: @FUMCGadsden  
You can listen through the live audio broadcast on sermon.net or  
the church website @ [www.fumcgadsden.org/media](http://www.fumcgadsden.org/media).

Listen on demand to sermons via the church website:  
[www.fumcgadsden.org/media](http://www.fumcgadsden.org/media) or the church App: FUMC Gadsden

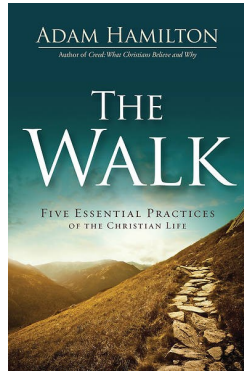
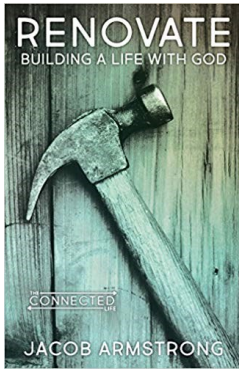
## Easter Sunday Flowers on the Cross

For Easter Sunday, the Cross in front of the Sanctuary doors will be filled with flowers. We will share a picture of the Cross. And for those who have to venture downtown to go to the grocery store or pick up takeout or supplies, you may see the cross near the sanctuary on 5th St.

Take a picture of flowers that are blooming in your yard or place a cross and flowers in your yard or on your door. Share the picture on Facebook and Instagram. Make sure to include the hashtag in the comment for your picture. [#GFUMCConnect2020](https://www.instagram.com/GFUMCConnect2020) (or you can send a picture to [Sheila@fumcgadsden.org](mailto:Sheila@fumcgadsden.org) for posting.)

Share pictures in the church Facebook page of how your family is celebrating Easter. Use the hashtag [#GFUMCConnect2020](https://www.instagram.com/GFUMCConnect2020). The group page is listed as “Gadsden First United Methodist Church”.

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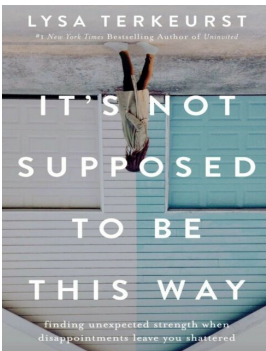
**Tuesday @ 6:30 pm, Online Bible Study,  
"The Walk" with Pastor Carrie**

**Wednesday @ 6 pm, Renovate  
Facebook Live Online Bible Study  
w/Pastor Sam**

## *Journey Groups for Lent*

**All "In-Person" Small Groups are Postponed  
Through April 30.**

*Watch for updates as some small groups, Sunday school classes and Bible Studies will be offering,  
FacebookLive or online GoToMeetings.*



**Beginning Tuesday, April 21**

**"It's Not Supposed to Be This Way" by Lysa Terkeurst**

**Bible Study by GoToMeeting**

**Email [Carrie@fumcgadsden.org](mailto:Carrie@fumcgadsden.org) to find out more!**



# GoToMeeting

GoToMeeting is a web-hosted service created and marketed by LogMeIn. It is an online meeting, desktop sharing, and video conferencing software package that enables the user to meet with other computer users, customers, clients or colleagues via the Internet in real time.

**This is a super easy way for GFUMC groups to stay connected, meet for fellowship, prayer and Bible Study during this time.**

- A GoToMeeting can be joined on your computer, tablet, or smartphone through a web browser or app.
- Participants DO NOT even have to have a computer to be able to participate. A phone number is also provided to call into the meeting.
- Invitations to join the meeting are sent out via email to members.

***If your small group or Sunday School Class would be interested in doing a "GoToMeeting" and inviting members to come together online, please contact Sheila Freeman @ 256-490-5018.***

We can easily set up a meeting for your small group, circle or Sunday school.  
Each group will need to select a moderator or leader and this role can be shared.

**Scheduled GoToMeetings:**

Tuesdays, 6:30 pm, Pastor Carrie, "The Walk", Online Bible Study