

First United Methodist Church of Gadsden

Gadsden First News

The People of Gadsden First United Methodist Church
Changing Lives by *Sharing Christ, Making Disciples,*
Serving and Giving Hope



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115 So. 5th St. Gadsden, AL 35901

September 29, 2019

Calendar for September 29– October 5, 2019

Sept 29, Sunday, 8:45 am, Celebration Service, Gym; **10:00 am,** Sunday School; **10:55 am,** Traditional Service, Sanctuary; **2:30 pm, Charge Conference, Sanctuary**
Sept 30, Monday, 9:00-1:00 pm, ELC; **9:00 am,** Exercise Group, Gym
Oct 1, Tuesday, 9:00-1:00 pm, ELC; **4:00 pm, Trustees, Room 208; 5:00 pm, Finance Team, Parlor; 5:00 pm,** Yoga, Gym; **6:00 pm, Board of Stewards, Gathering Room;**
6:30 pm, Mosaic, Back Forty Warehouse; **7:00 pm, SPRC meeting, Gathering Room**
Oct 2, Wednesday, 9:00-1:00 pm, ELC; **9:00-11:00 am,** Clothes Closet Open; **11:00 am,** Wednesday Morning Bible Study, 201-Gathering Room; **12:15 pm,** Prayer team, Sanctuary; **5:15 pm,** Wednesday Meal, Gathering Room; **6:00 pm,** Adult Journey Groups, Rooms 110 & 201-Gathering Room; Childrens Journey Groups & Choir, Rooms 102,106,108; Youth Activities, 211, Gym; **6:00 pm,** Choir Practice, Room 100
Oct 3, Thursday, 9:00-1:00 pm, ELC; **9:00 am,** Exercise Group, Gym; **5:30 pm,** Thursday Worship, Sanctuary
Oct 4, Friday, 11:00-12:30 pm, Ladle of Love

Serving This Sunday

Sound Tech: Blaise Jarecki
Ushers:* Chris Thrasher, Eldred Davis, Jason Knowles, Sam Norris
Greeters: Joanie Leach, Leone Norris, Carol Thrasher
Acolytes: Miller Wigley
Children's Church:
Celebration: Allison Casey
Tradition: Charlotte Rutland
***Head Usher**

Mountain Lakes District Pastor Appreciation Dinner

When: October 21 at 6:00 pm
 Where: GFUMC Gym
 This event is sponsored by the District to honor pastors and spouses. It will be hosted by our church. Volunteers are needed to help with set up, serving, and clean up. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Sandra Hill at 256-478-0002 or email bitbit4@bellsouth.net.

You would need to arrive at 5:30 and should be through by 7:30.

Show Up! Grow Deep! Reach Out!

*Mountain Lakes District
An Evening of Worship
with the people*

Bishop Wallace-Padgett

When: October 7, 2019

Time: 6:30 pm

Where: Christ Central UMC

Sunday, Sept 29, 2:30 pm, Charge Conference

Sunday, Oct 13, 10:00 am, Blessing of the Animals. 5:30 pm, And Movie on the Block



Sunday, Oct 20, Children's Sabbath

Wednesday, Oct 23, 5:00 pm, Fall Fest & Chili Supper

Pictures from The Portrait Café have arrived!

*If you ordered portraits from The Portrait Café, please come by the church office to pick up your order. (Directories **are not** available yet.)*

Sermon Outline Key

respect, honor, God, Sabbath, parents, life, marriage, property, truth, lowest,

Memorials and Honoraria

Howell Erwin Medical Fund:

In memory of Merlin (Bunny) Hagedorn, Iris Isbell and Jesse Weatherly given by Betty Echols.
 In memory of J.C. Chandler given by Sid & Jane Gardner.

Immediate Prayer Concerns

Joanne Hightower Regina Holloway
 Wayne Payton Marian Ford
 Tom Quinn
 Family of Sara Nolen (Jane Gargus' mother)

Continuing Prayer Concerns

Ormond Grimes Stan Walker
 Ina Davis Mark Swann

Birthdays.....

Sept 29 Trish Croy
Sept 30 Jami Grimes, Luke Rosser, Winnie Mae Beasley, Connie Lane
Oct 1 Kathy Taff, Ann Guffey, Angela Wilson, Mitchel Stewart, Tyler Harrell
Oct 2 Pam Newman, Kenneth Keelin
Oct 3 Julia Knox
Oct 4 Wilson Abel, Martha Smith, Alyssa Branch
Oct 5 Hilary Jarecki, John Paul Wilson, Stephen Blackstock, Madison Walker



Week of September 22, 2019

Total Attendance	256	Tradition	140
Mosaic	14	Thursday	21
Celebration	75	Online	6
Sunday School	102		
Volunteer Service Hours	140		
People Served	280		
General Offering Budget	\$14,879.00		
General Offering Received	\$9,030.00		
YTD General Offering Budget	\$565,402.00		
YTD General Offering Received	\$552,085.04		

Sunday's Schedule

8:45 am, Celebration
10:00 am, Sunday School
10:55 am, Traditional Service

Monday-Thursday

9:00-1:00 pm, ELC Fall Schedule

Monday

9:00 am, Exercise Group, Gym

Tuesday

5:00 pm, Yoga, Gym

6:30 pm, Mosaic, Back Forty

Wednesday

11:00 am Wednesday Bible Study

5:15 pm Wednesday Night Meal

6:00 pm Adult Journey Groups;

Children's Journey Groups

6:00 pm Choir Practice

Thursday

9:00 am, Exercise Group, Gym

5:30 pm Thursday Worship

Friday

11:00-12:30 pm, Ladle of Love

Church Office

256-543-8200



Sunday Mornings Sunday School 10 am
 Preschool-Nursery-Room 115
 Grades K-1st-2nd-Room 114 Grades 3rd-4th-5th-Room 106
Children's Church- September 29, Room 102
 Celebration: Allison Casey Tradition: Charlotte Rutland

Wednesday Nights

All Kids age 3 through 5th Grade are invited to join us on Wednesdays for "Can You Believe It?" Worship & Small Groups! We are building our faith on solid ground, learning the heart of what we believe as Christians. Nursery is also available for Infants - Age 3. **Parents, please remember to Check-In your children on the iPad in the Portico**



Youth Sunday School, 10 am-Rm 211
The Book of John
Youth Group, Wednesdays, 6 pm
"Dare to Dream"

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- October 5th-** Youth Trip to the Haunted Chicken House. Meeting at the church @ 5:30 for pizza before we leave. \$10 per student.
- October 13th-** Youth— ask how you can help with the Blessing of the Animals Service.
- October 30th-** Youth Halloween Party

North Alabama Conference Historical Society

The North Alabama Conference Historical Society will convene for its fall 2019 meeting at historic Athens United Methodist Church on Saturday, October 12, 2019. The church is located at 208 West Hobbs Street, Athens, Alabama. The meeting will be in the Youth Center. This church celebrated 200 years of continued ministry in Limestone County last year. The theme is the mission of the church. George and Betty Cobb will present a paper relating to the national mission program of the United Methodist Church, specifically telling about their work at Redbird Missionary Conference a few years ago. Another paper will be given by Richard Stryker concerning the impact of a foreign missionary on him when he was a young person in Africa. Richard Martin will give a brief history of the years in mission of the Athens Church. Registration will begin at 9 am with the program starting at 9:45 am. There is no charge to attend the program. Following the meeting a lunch will be served at a cost of \$10.00 each.

Please make your reservation for lunch by sending your name, address, phone, and church name by mail no later than Saturday, October 5, to Geneva Blackburn, 1620 Ashley Wood Way, Vestavia, AL 35216

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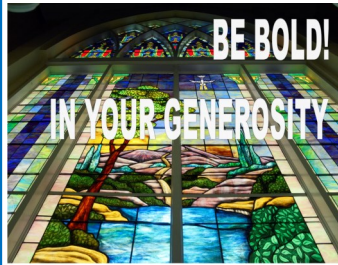
October 14th UMW Luncheon at 12 noon. Program is "Never Surrender" with Mary Hager. Board Meeting at 10:30 am, room 106. Deco & clean up by LuVerna Waid Circle.

Circle Meetings

Jean Holtsford Circle **Oct 14th, @ 1:15 pm**, Room 208.
Peggy Casey Circle, **Oct 14th @ 6 pm**, at Baja California Cantina & Grill, Rainbow City

United Methodist Women of Gadsden First

Information about all our UMW circles and what they are doing is available in the Chestnut Street Lobby entrance. If you are already attending a circle, please invite someone to come with you that is not attending. Remember to **"BE BOLD"** in your hospitality.



Thank you for supporting your church with your worship, growth, hospitality, mission & service and your generosity. **Because you give**, we are able to do amazing ministries in our community – ministries like *Ladle of Love, Clothes Closet*, supporting students and teachers at *Striplin Elementary*, helping support awesome community programs like *C.L.I.C.K., Love Center*, and *211*. **Because you give** we are able to do new outreach ministries like *Mosaic*, reaching new people in new ways with the love of Christ! **Because you give** we are able to make plans to *expand* our already-great children ministry, youth ministry, music and missions.

Promise Cards Received: 29 Total Pledged: \$235,520

Please return your 2020 Estimate of Giving Card by October 15. When prayerfully considering how you can give and serve, and then filling out your promise card, I want to encourage you to remember two words: **"Be Bold!"**
 —Pastor Sam —Jay Hedgspeth

GFUMC

Text to Give: 256-344-8464

Online Giving @ www.fumcgadsden.org/give

Who: Everyone and their pet(s) are welcome!

What: Blessing of the Animals

Pets of all sizes, shapes, and varieties are welcome. Please ensure they are secured in a way that provides safety for them and the other pets present.



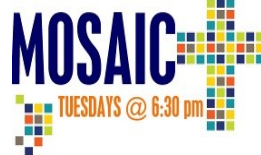
Meet us for a blessing & refreshments!

When: October 13, 2019 at 10:00 am

Where: On the West Lawn (near 6th Street Portico Entrance)

First United Methodist Church of Gadsden
 115 S. 5th Street, Gadsden, AL 35901

For more info, please contact the church office at 256-543-8200.



Invite someone to visit with us at Mosaic Tuesday nights at the Back Forty Brewery at 6:30 pm.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

A Study of Revelation with Pastor Sam
 at 11:00 am, Gathering Room



Wonderful Wednesday and Dinner

Oct. 2, 5:15 pm

Small Groups for Adults, 6 pm

A Study of Revelation with Pastor Sam, Gathering Room
How Happiness Happens by Max Lucado with Harriet Murray, Room 110

Small Groups & Activities for Youth & Children: 6:00 PM

Menu: Tacos, Rice, Salad 5:15PM, \$5, \$2 Kids<12

Name _____ 10/2/2019

_____ Adults # _____ Children under 12
 _____ Permanent Reservation



Sundays + Wednesdays

Sunday Worship + Children's Church

Celebrations @ 8:45am
Traditions @ 10:55am
Sunday School @ 10:00am

Wednesday Nights

Dinner @ 5:15pm
Worship + Small Groups @ 6:00pm

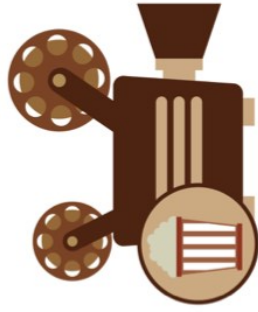


Fall Fest

Wednesday, October 23 5 - 7pm

Join us for a Family Night of Fun!
Chili & Hot Dog Supper, Inflatables,
Festival Games & More!

This is a great opportunity for outreach!!



Movie on the Block

Sunday, October 13 5:30-8:00pm

Bring your family, friends & neighbors
+ a lawn chair to watch **Aladdin!**

Food Vendors Available for purchase

This is a great opportunity for outreach!!



Fall Family Fun Day at the Carr & Farm

Sunday, November 3 Time TBA

Join us for Hayrides, farm animals,
a Bonfire, S'mores, and a great time
with our Children's Ministry Families!



Children's Sabbath

Sunday, October 20, Both Services

A Celebration of Ministry with Children!

- *Kids Singing in Traditional Worship
- *Highlighting Church Kids, ELC & more
- *Special Offering for Striplin & CLICK



Family Mission Project Community Thanksgiving Meal

Wednesday, November 27 Time TBA

There is no greater joy than
Serving Together as a Family!

Don't miss this special opportunity!

Gadsden First Kids Fall Schedule



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