

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

### BABY RECOGNITION SUNDAY

Sunday, January 13 | 11:00 a.m. Worship Service

Babies born into our church family in 2018 will be recognized. We look forward to celebrating with these little ones and their families.

### PLUG-IN AND RECHARGE!

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE CAMPAIGN

Do your part to reach the January attendance goal of 700. Bring your entire family to Sunday School! Children's classes meet in the Children's Building from 9:45 - 10:45. We will be looking for you!

### WIRED! KEEPING FAMILIES CONNECTED IN A DIGITAL WORLD

Sunday, January 27, during Sunday School

Parent Forum: Screen Addiction | Tech Safety | Finding a Digital Balance | Bridging the Generational Gap

Led by: Elizabeth Manderville, Licensed Professional Counselor

### PRAYER, CHORE, DEED 2019 CALENDARS

"Prayer, Chore, Deed" 2019 calendars are located on tables in the Children's Building. These wonderful calendars emphasize the importance of saying a prayer, doing a chore and a kind deed everyday. Please pick one up for your family.

### WEDNESDAYS AT FUMC

Children's Choirs - 6:00 p.m. - all invited! (ages 3 - 5th grade)

Summit Kids Xtreme - 6:40-7:10 p.m. (K - 5th grade)

Following choir practice, teachers lead kindergarten through 5th grade children to the gym for Summit Kids, where the Bible comes to life!

## YOUTH MINISTRY

Thank you to everyone that participated in Tree of Lights!  
We were able to buy Christmas gifts for 11 children.

### SUNDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES | JANUARY 6

Join us as we kick off the new year! We will meet at 5:30 in the attic for a new series on "selfies." Join us for worship and small groups. At 6:30 we will head to Moe's for dinner. Bring friends and money for dinner.

### WINTER RETREAT

We are so excited about our annual trip to Camp Hargis January 19-21. Our speaker this year will be our own Bria Rochelle. We will focus on the hills and valleys of life and how to stay rooted in Christ through all circumstances! The band will be a group from the Wesley Foundation in Tuscaloosa.

### COSTA RICA | JUNE 15-22

The second payment of \$300 is due on January 23. Everyone needs to have paid \$800 by the end of January.

### GET CONNECTED

Make sure to follow us on our social media accounts for updates on upcoming events and pictures of past events!



### In Memoriam

Betty Finlay Brislin  
December 29, 2018

Lessie Etoile Mares Harris  
January 2, 2019

### Sympathy

To the family of the Rev. Ben Sawada  
upon his death on December 21, 2018.

To the family of Lt. Col. Paul Smith upon his  
death on December 28, 2018.

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT FUMC MONTGOMERY

We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us today. If you are visiting, we hope you will consider becoming a member of our church either by profession of faith or transfer of church membership. To join, please come forward at the end of the service, indicating your desire, or for more information about joining our church family, please contact Rev. Gillian L. Walters at (334) 834-8990 or [GLWalters@fumcmontgomery.org](mailto:GLWalters@fumcmontgomery.org).

### LITURGICAL SEASON: EPIPHANY

Epiphany marks the end of the Christmas season or Christmastide and celebrates the incarnation and baptism of Christ. The liturgical color for Epiphany Day is white.

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER AND CHAPEL

Wednesday, January 3, 2019

Southern Fried Chicken | Mac and Cheese | Turnip Greens | Cornbread | Salad Bar | Seasonal Salad | Baked Potato Bar | Fresh Fruit | Desserts and Ice Cream

### AROUND THE CONGREGATION

To learn more, or to sign-up for the below events, please visit [www.fumcmontgomery.org/events](http://www.fumcmontgomery.org/events).

### ALABAMA ATTORNEY GENERAL STEVE MARSHALL

Wednesday, January 23 | 6:30 p.m. | Epworth Room

The Stephen Ministry is pleased to be hosting Alabama Attorney General Steve Marshall as he discusses the opioid crisis we are facing as a state and nation. Marshall will be discussing what his office, and other law enforcement agencies, are doing to combat the opioid addiction epidemic. We hope that you will join us for an evening of honest discussion, as we strive to effect powerful change across our state.

### OXYGEN MINISTRY NATURE HIKE

Saturday, January 12, 2019 | Lagoon Park | 9:30 a.m.

Got the holiday blues? Kickoff 2019 with a healthy start! Bring friends and family of all ages to the Pete Peterson Lodge entrance of Lagoon Park on Saturday for a 1-3 mile bike (bring your own) or trail hike. Enjoy post-hike s'mores/trail snacks. Register online by January 11 or call the church office for more information.

### RISE AGAINST HUNGER

Wednesday, January 23 | Fellowship Hall | 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Round up the whole family and join us as our church hosts the fifth Rise Against Hunger meal packing event. Over 30,000 meals will be assembled to be distributed around the world in a great effort to end hunger. Wednesday Night Supper will be served in the Epworth Room.

### SPIRITUAL GROWTH RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Saturday, January 26 | 10:00 a.m. | Epworth Room | \$25; includes lunch

Join the FUMC United Methodist Women at their annual retreat as Rev. JoAn Kinrade of FUMC Newnan, GA speaks on "Understanding the Father's Heart for Each of His Children." For questions or more information please contact Linda Singleton at 334-819-9431.

### FUMC CLOTHING CLOSET

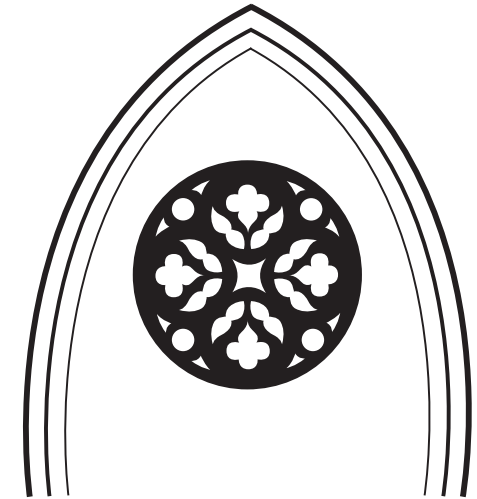
Our clothing closet is in need of all sizes of coats and warm clothing for both children and adults. Please contact Claire Smith at [csmith@fumcmontgomery.org](mailto:csmith@fumcmontgomery.org) for more information. Clothes Closet hours at Capitol Heights UMC are Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

### 50 PLUS JANUARY EVENTS

Tartans & Thistles Luncheon | Wednesday, January 16 | 11:30 a.m. | Fellowship Hall | \$10  
Watercolor Workshop | Friday, January 25 | 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. | Youth Lounge | \$45

The luncheon will include food, fellowship, and a full Scottish program by incredible bagpiper, Church Arney. Sign up at [fumcmontgomery.org/events/tartans](http://fumcmontgomery.org/events/tartans) or at the reception desk at FUMC.

At the watercolor workshop presented by Gayle Jones, participants will be provided with supplies. There are 11 spots left. Bring \$10 for optional lunch. Sign up at the reception desk or at [fumcmontgomery.org/events/watercolor](http://fumcmontgomery.org/events/watercolor).



# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

a Stephen Ministry congregation

— JANUARY 6, 2019 —

— EPIPHANY DAY —

*Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world.*

Dr. Jeremy K. Pridgeon  
Senior Minister

Reverend Gillian L. Walters  
Associate Minister

Reverend Ben A. McDavid  
Associate Minister

Reverend Lucas S. Tribble  
Associate Minister

Reverend G. Charles Kendall  
Associate Minister

Dr. Karl K. Stegall  
Pastor Emeritus

Dr. Joshua H. Coble  
Organist/Assistant Director of Music

Dr. James H. Seay  
Director of Music

Dr. C. Jason Borders  
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# MORNING WORSHIP

JANUARY 6, 2019

EPIPHANY SUNDAY

EIGHT FORTY-FIVE AND ELEVEN O'CLOCK

LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE

Prelude *Choral* Joseph Jongen

Welcome and Parish Notices Rev. Gillian L. Walters

Chiming of the Trinity  
*The three chimes signify the presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

Introit *Light Dawns for the Righteous* arr. Hal Hopson

\*Processional Hymn *We Three Kings* 254

## \*Call to Worship

Leader: So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed.

**People: We will do well to be attentive to this: to shine a lamp in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in our hearts.**

## \*Invocation

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray together.

**All: O God, you made of one blood all nations, and, by a star in the East, revealed to all peoples him whose name is Emmanuel. Enable us who know your presence with us so to proclaim his unsearchable riches that all may come to his light and bow before the brightness of his rising, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. Amen.**

Concerns of a Caring Fellowship Rev. Lucas. S. Tribble

Preparation for Prayer 234

*O Come All Ye Faithful*

*O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him, O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord.*

## Prayer of Confession and Pardon

**People: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*All pray in silence.*

Leader: Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;

That proves God's love towards us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

**All: Glory to God. Amen.**

## \*Passing of the Peace

Now as forgiven people, let us stand and offer one another signs of reconciliation and love.

## Offertory

*Gesu Bambino*

Cathedral Choir

Tyrone Hays, Soloist

Pietro Yon

*When blossoms flowered mid the snows upon a winter's night was born the Child, the Christmas Rose, the King of Love and Light. The angels sang, the shepherds sang, the grateful earth rejoiced, and at his blessed birth the stars their exultation voiced. Venite adoremus, Dominum! Again the heart with rapture glows to meet the holy night, that gave the world its Christmas Rose, its King of Love and Light. Let every voice acclaim his name, the grateful chorus swell, from paradise to earth He came that we with Him might dwell. Venite adoremus, Dominum! O, Come let us adore Him! Adore Him, Christ the Lord!*

## \*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

## \*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.*

*This, this is Christ the King,*

*Whom shepherds guard and Angels sing*

*Haste, haste, to bring him laud, the Babe, the Son of Mary.*

Greensleeves

## Children's Minute

Dr. C. Jason Borders

Children ages three through first grade will be escorted to Children's Church. Visitors are welcome to accompany their children.

## \*Gospel Lesson

Matthew 2:1-12

## Sermon

Dr. Jeremy K. Pridgeon

*Overwhelming Joy*

## Procession of the Elements

## The Great Thanksgiving

## 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 ministers at the chancel rail during the singing of the first stanza of the Hymn of Invitation.

## Holy Communion

*Star Child* (Cathedral Choir Only)

*What Child is This*

*Away in a Manger*

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217

## \*Hymn of Invitation

*The First Noel*

245

## \*Benediction

Rev. G. Charles Kendall

## \*Choral Response

*Be Near Me, Lord Jesus*

arr. Lester Seigel

## \*Postlude

*Processional*

William Mathias

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

\*Please stand as you are able.

The chancel arrangement is given to the glory of God by the Worship Committee.

## Lectionary Readings for Sunday, January 13

Isaiah 43:1-7

Acts 8:14-17

Psalms 29

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

## New Year Studies

Start the new year off right by growing deeper in your walk with Christ, while getting to walk alongside people who are experiencing a similar season of life as you. Please take a look at the list below, and join us for one of our New Year Studies.

Financial Peace University - Taught by Brett Crawford, 13 weeks, Mondays @ 6:00 p.m., begins January 7

Worship Shapes Belief - Taught by Jason Borders, 8 weeks, Sundays, @ 5:00 p.m., begins January 13

The 3 Big Questions for a Frantic Family - Taught by Ed Reifenberg, 5 weeks, Wednesdays @ 6:00 p.m., begins January 16.

For more information, please contact Tammy Holcomb, tholcomb@fumcmontgomery.org or (334) 834-8990.

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