

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS FEBRUARY 10 - FEBRUARY 15

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

8:45 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
4:00 p.m.	Bible Conference - Session 2	Fellowship Hall
4:30 p.m.	Youth Choir Practice	Choir Room
4:30 p.m.	Disciple 2 - Gillian Walters	WH 207
5:00 p.m.	Denise Snipes Covenant Group	WH 103
5:00 p.m.	Disciple 1 - Lucas Tribble	WH 201
5:00 p.m.	Bible Conference - Session 3	Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m.	MYF	WH Various
6:00 p.m.	Bible Conference - Q&A and Dinner	Fellowship Hall

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

10:00 a.m.	Respite Ministry	WH Various
11:30 a.m.	UMW Circle 8	WH 206
6:00 p.m.	Financial Peace	WH 207

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

7:00 a.m.	Jeremy's Men's Bible Study	Epworth Room
7:00 a.m.	Men's Covenant Group	WH 207
10:00 a.m.	Circle 9 Meeting	Epworth Room
10:00 a.m.	Respite Ministry	WH Various
10:00 a.m.	Circle 2 Meeting	CB 100
11:00 a.m.	Book Club	WH 206
12:00 p.m.	Cathedral Bell Practice	Bell Room
4:00 p.m.	Senior Ladies Exercise - Wigginton	Gym
5:45 p.m.	Allegro Bell Practice	Bell Room
6:00 p.m.	Youth Boys Event	WH 301

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:00 a.m.	Heritage Club	Adult Lounge
9:00 a.m.	Fix-It-Shop	WH Various
9:45 a.m.	Children's Chapel	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Respite Ministry	WH Various
10:30 a.m.	Wednesday Bible Study and Lunch	Fellowship Hall
11:30 a.m.	50 PLUS Movie Screening	WH 400
4:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Dinner	Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m.	Wednesday Evening Chapel Service	Chapel
5:45 p.m.	Mom's Connect Group-Jo Moore	CB 104
5:45 p.m.	Adult Ensemble Rehearsal	Handbell Room
6:00 p.m.	Mom's Connect - Stephanie, Anna, April	CB 203
6:00 p.m.	Children's Choirs/Summit Kids Xtreme	WH 400
6:00 p.m.	Confirmation Class	WH 103
6:00 p.m.	Youth Small Groups	FB 104
6:00 p.m.	Work Areas	Various
6:30 p.m.	Cathedral Choir Practice	Choir Room

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14

10:00 a.m.	Yoga Class	WH 105
10:00 a.m.	Respite Ministry	WH Various
4:00 p.m.	Senior Ladies Exercise - Wigginton	WH 301

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

9:00 a.m.	Stimulate Your Brain	FB 203
2:00 p.m.	Church offices closed.	

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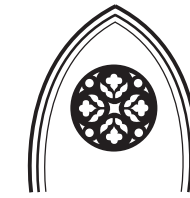
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Sunday, February 10, 2019
 Morning Worship at 8:45 and 11:00 a.m.
 Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.
 Luke 5:1-11
Catching People
 Dr. Jeremy K. Pridgeon

Wednesday, February 13, 2019
Duffey Chapel | 5:30 p.m.
 Chapel Service and Holy Communion
 Rev. Ben A. McDavid



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I am grateful that Dr. Jason Borders will lead our Bible Conference this year as Dr. Wesley Wachob, senior minister of the First United Methodist Church of Pensacola, FL, who was scheduled to be with us, continues to recover from surgery. Our conference will begin at 4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall with two sessions, followed by a dinner with questions and answers to end our evening. We have been blessed to learn from renowned scholars in the field of Biblical interpretation and this year will be no different.

While our adults participate in their Bible Conference, our children will take part in a session on "Animals of the Bible." We thank the Montgomery Zoo for leading this informative and interactive session for our children. You can read more about the schedule for the Children's Bible Conference in this issue of the Tower Chimes.

Dr. Jason Borders is Professor of Religion and Chair of the Department of Religion at Huntingdon College. He holds a Ph.D. in New Testament from the London School of Theology, Brunel University, and is a graduate of Candler School of Theology, Emory University and Millsaps College.

His dissertation was successfully defended before committee at Queen's College, Oxford University, in February 2004. His areas of specialization include Luke-Acts, Isaiah, and the Dead Sea Scrolls. Non-degree work has taken Dr. Borders to Israel, where he completed the Intensive Summer Ulpan in Modern Hebrew at the University of Haifa (1997), as well as the Graduate Year Program of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (1997-98). Dr. Borders has led tours throughout Israel for church laity and continues to enjoy traveling and teaching in Israel.

Dr. Borders has presented a number of seminars to churches and colleges on the following topics: "When God is on Our Side: Religion, Politics, and Perspective"; "A Place Called It: A Biblical Perspective of God and Land"; "The Galilean and Judean Ministries of Jesus Christ"; "Christ and the Fifth Gospel"; "Diversity and the International Community"; "First Century Israel and the Ministry of Jesus Christ"; "Political Climate of Modern Israel"; "The 8th Century Prophets"; and "Post-Holocaust Jewish Theology." In addition, Dr. Borders has published reviews in the *Review of Biblical Literature*, *Themelios*, and *Ashland Theological Journal*.

Dr. Borders believes his career at Huntingdon is fundamentally a ministry of the Church. In fact, Dr. Borders is an Ordained Elder in the Alabama-West Florida Conference of the United Methodist Church. He and his family are members of First United Methodist Church in Montgomery, where he serves as Theologian in Residence.

And last, but certainly not least, Dr. Borders is the husband of Margaret Borders, whose specialty is medical technology. They have two children, Caleb and Leah Grace. In his free time, he enjoys hunting, fishing, gardening, beekeeping, and even a little banjo playing. I look forward to Jason being with us this weekend for our Bible Conference! It's going to be another great Sunday at First United Methodist Church! See you Sunday!



First United Methodist Church is a Stephen Ministry congregation.

Children's Ministry

CHILDREN'S BIBLE CONFERENCE

Sunday, February 10 | 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. | Age 3-5th grade
4:00-6:00 p.m. - Special activities and Bible fun for children! The Montgomery Zoo will present "Animals of the Bible" with guest animals and interesting facts about their habitats, what they like to eat, and more!
6:00-7:00 p.m. - Pizza and an exciting episode from "Bible Man"

SPROUTS

Children's Discipleship Groups | Grades 2-5
Sundays, February 24, March 3, and March 10 | 5:00-7:15 p.m.
Enjoy small groups, Bible study, mission projects, and worship. Bring friends and \$5.00 for supper. Please register in advance by visiting the church website.

JOIN US ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

Sunday School (all ages) 9:45-10:45 in the Children's Building
Children's Church (age 3-1st grade) during 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. worship services

WEDNESDAYS AT FUMC

Children's Choirs - 6:00 p.m. - all invited! (age 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!*

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Vacation Bible School | June 10-14
Camp Lee | July 24-27 | Grades 3-5

Thought for the Week:

“No one has ever become poor by giving.”
- Anne Frank

Youth Ministry

10TH GRADE TOP GOLF TRIP | FEBRUARY 9

All 10th graders meet us at 12:15 p.m. in the youth lounge for a trip to Top Golf in Birmingham! We will be leaving at 12:30 p.m. and returning to the church around 5:30 p.m.

YOUTH LEADERSHIP TEAM MEETING | FEBRUARY 10

The meeting will take place during the Sunday school hour.

MYF | FEBRUARY 10

Meet us in the youth attic at 5:30 p.m. for worship and a study on "Being Selfless." Bring \$5.00 dollars for a pizza dinner.

GET CONNECTED

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



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Grief Share

Mondays beginning March 4 | 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | Wesley Hall Room 206
Begin your journey from mourning to joy with this 13 week class that is designed to connect you with others experiencing grief much like your own. The class will begin on March 4 and will meet every Monday until May 20. For more information, please contact Laura Selby at lselby@fumcmontgomery.org.

Hurricane Relief Trips

Join us as we head to the coast to help with continued hurricane relief! We will be traveling to Marianna on February 7-10, and housing will be available at Graceville UMC. We will be traveling to Panama City on February 15-27, and housing will be available at the home of a church member. For more information or to sign up, please contact Claire Smith at csmith@fumcmontgomery.org.

Wednesday Night Dinner - Wednesday, February 13, 2019

4:30-6:30 p.m. | Fellowship Hall | Adults: \$6 Youth: \$5 Children: \$3 |
Family Maximum: \$17

Family Taco Night | Valentines Cookie Cakes | Strawberry Ice Cream

Bible Conference

Sunday, February 10 | Speaker Dr. C. Jason Borders
Join us for our annual Bible Conference.
Session 1: 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services
Session 2: 4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.
Session 3: 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.
Dinner and Q&A: 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
Please register and pay for dinner on the website.

FUMC Book Club

Tuesday, February 12 | 11:00 a.m. | Wesley Hall Room 206
Pick up a copy of *Fly Girls*, by Keith O'Brien, and join us for some lively debate at this month's meeting. For more information, please contact Kate Blanton at kdutreil@yahoo.com.

Screening of *Won't You Be My Neighbor*

Wednesday, February 13 | 11:30 a.m. | Youth Attic
50 PLUS Ministries will be screening this fabulous documentary, which looks back on the legacy of Fred Rogers, focusing on his radically kind ideas. While the nation changed around him, Fred Rogers stood firm in his beliefs about the importance of protecting childhood. Morgan Neville pays tribute to this legacy with the latest in his series of highly engaging, moving documentary portraits of essential American artists. We will have popcorn, soda, and water available. There is no charge for this screening.

Oxygen Ministry Upcoming Hike

Registration information can be found online.
Saturday, February 9 | Swayback Bridge - Wetumpka, Alabama

Early Response Team Training Course

Saturday, February 16 | 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. | Trinity UMC, Prattville, Alabama
Everyone ages 18 years and older is invited to attend this Early Response Training course. Background checks will be administered after the course. For more information or to register, please visit www.awfumc.org/events.

Pre-General Conference Briefing

Sunday, February 17 | 6:30 p.m. | Sanctuary
Dr. Jeremy Pridgeon will lead a Pre-General Conference briefing prior to attending the special session of General Conference. The special session of General Conference, to receive the report of the Commission of the Way Forward and other proposals for The United Methodist Church regarding human sexuality, will be held on February 23-26 in St. Louis, Missouri.

Side-by-Side Choir Concert

Tuesday, February 19 | 11:30 a.m. | The Montgomery Museum
All are invited to this special performance presented by the Side-by-Side Choir!

UMW Luncheon

Monday, March 4 | 11:30 a.m. | Epworth Room | \$8.00
Guest speaker Rebecca Ellis, founder of the Cole Ellis Foundation, will speak on *Teen Suicide: Personal Loss and a Story of Hope*. Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. followed by the program at 12:00 p.m. Sign up at the reception desk or contact Linda McIntyre at 334-546-3029 or lindarmc@gmail.com.

190th Anniversary Oral History Interview

The Work Area on Archives and History is inviting church members for interviews and round table discussions to celebrate the 190th anniversary of the founding of First Church. We especially invite individuals who joined the church at least fifty years ago (1969 or before). To participate in this project, please email the Work Area on Archives and History at 190thanniv@gmail.com.

For more information, or to register for some of the events above, please visit www.fumcmontgomery.org/events.

AROUND THE CONGREGATION

Birth

Jordan Kimble Pridgeon
February 4, 2019
Son of Jeremy and Abigail Pridgeon

Hospital/ Rehab List

January 25-January 31
Ray Evans
Martha Gibbs
Laurie McLean
Margaret Mock
Annalaura Newman
Parker White

Memorials

Clarence Franklin McCorkle
Respite Ministry: *Mrs. Sidney Coleman*

John Sanderson Bowman

Building Fund: *Amy S. Mingledorff*

Lessie Harris

Respite Ministry: *Mr. and Mrs. Ed Reifenberg*

Clifford Leroy Clark

Fix it Shop: *Julia Prescott*

Jule Wilson Willis Perry

Stegall Seminary Scholarship
Foundation: *Sandra Patrick, Mollie Bell, Chrys Robbins*; Respite Ministry: *Mr. and Mrs. Ed Reifenberg, Mrs. Sidney Coleman*; Cathedral Builders: *Mr. and Mrs. Phil Butler*; Building Fund: *Virginia Noblin*

Betty Finley Brislin

Stegall Seminary Scholarship
Foundation: *Mollie Bell*; Missions
Ministry: *Sandra Patrick, White House Association*; Building Fund: *Virginia Noblin*

Music Ministry

Music for Sunday, February 10, 2019

Act of Praise
(8:45) **TBA**

Wesley and Agape Choirs
(11:00) **TBA**
Joy and Carol Choirs

Offertory
The Call arr. Randall Stroope
Cathedral Choir

Sacred Arts Festival | February 22-24: Telling Our Story

Please do not miss out on this year's fabulous presentations as part of the Sacred Arts Festival!

Friday, February 22 | 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. | Painting Workshop with Barbara Davis

Saturday, February 23

9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. | Epworth Room & Reception Room - Congregation Art Show and Historical Display (this will continue on Sunday, February 24 from 8:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m., featuring photography from our Youth.

10:00 a.m. | Sanctuary - Jason Borders will speak on *Our Faith Story in Architecture: The Sanctuary's Witness to the Gospel*.

11:00 a.m. | Sanctuary - The presentation of, *Telling Our Story*, an original play by Adrian Borden about the history of First United Methodist Church with some colorful characters you may have heard of before.

Sunday, February 24

4:25 p.m. | Sanctuary - Heritage Ringers, an audition-only group from Huntsville, Alabama, based out of Trinity UMC, will present a pre-Evensong concert.

5:00 p.m. | Sanctuary - Evensong, performed by the Adult Ensemble