

CHURCH STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

THE LINK

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"A sweet friendship refreshes the soul" Proverbs 27:9

I pray you never grow weary of me saying how much I love and appreciate each of you! I love to watch the many ways you serve Church Street UMC, your families, and your community. I am blessed to serve as your pastor. The many ways you expressed appreciation for me will never equal the appreciation I feel for each of you!

I do want to say a thank you to the staff of Church Street UMC. They work tirelessly behind the scenes to make sure everything runs smoothly. When you see them, please tell them how much you appreciate all they do!

We are at the beginning of the holiday seasons. Thanksgiving is just around the corner, and I am looking forward to worshipping with our neighbors on Sunday, November 20th for our community Thanksgiving service. We will be hosting the service this year. I look forward to seeing you there.

November 27th is the first Sunday of Advent. This is a season of anticipation. The season we remember the world once waited for the birth of our Messiah. The choir has been working on music for the season and will present their musical cantata on Sunday, December 11th. Don't we have the most amazing choir and director?

I look forward to the opportunities we will have to be together for worship and fellowship!

In His Service,

Diane



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Monday through Thursday

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Friday

8:30 am to 2:30 pm

Music Ministry Notes From Gordon

Fall is here! It is hard to believe that we are quickly moving toward the Thanksgiving and Christmas season!

Our Young Musicians presented a wonderful up-dated arrangement of *All Night, All Day* during our Children's Sabbath emphasis on Sunday morning, October 16, rang melody bells beautifully, and participated during the service in wonderful, meaningful ways. Thank you, thank you children for blessing our hearts with your leadership and singing!! The Young Musicians will once again sing and ring for Morning Worship Sunday, December 4th-the second Sunday of Advent. Parents are reminded to remain faithful in having their child/children attend Sunday morning opening assembly singing time and the remaining Wednesday afternoon choir rehearsals (final Wednesday afternoon rehearsal for 2022 is November 16th).

Please note these important music events for 2021 -

- **Sunday, December 4** - Young Musicians sing/ring during Morning Worship
- **Sunday, December 11**- Chancel Choir presents *Night of the Father's Love* during Morning Worship

There are many music opportunities at Church Street during the final weeks of 2022!



Gordon

October was a fun month at Leika's! The weather is beautiful, and so we begin our month with our theme:

"Go Take a Hike!" We took nature walks, talked about camping, and sang camp songs, all while enjoying God's beautiful world!
Proverbs 3:4

The month of October continued with:

"Fall & Apple Week!" We had a special visitor this week... Johnny Appleseed himself came to tell us about spreading God's love like he spread his apple seeds all over! Genesis 1:12

"Let's Pretend!" This is our week to prepare ourselves for Halloween by discussing how dressing up does not have to be scary. We learn that we do not need to fear by reciting our bible verse, "Trust in the Lord" Hebrews 3:13. We culminated this week by performing plays in our very own "Play Day!"

"Shapes!" Our unit on shapes taught us all about shapes, and we even created Jack-o-lanterns out of all sorts of shapes! Genesis 1:16

October always ends with our Halloween Parades! Psalm 27:1



November is one of our favorite months at Leika's because we are all preparing for our annual Thanksgiving program. It is so fun to learn about the Pilgrims and Indians, and discuss how much we have to be thankful for! Psalm 107:1

Our Kindergarten class has been working very hard to memorize Psalm 100, and they will recite at our Thanksgiving Program on Friday, November 18th at 9:00am in the sanctuary.

Leika's invites everyone to join us for this special worship service!

Daneen



It's ALWAYS the right time to be THANKFUL!

We would like to give a special THANK YOU to our children and their parents for their participation in the Children's Sunday Worship service! Weren't our singers and jingle bell ringers wonderful! Additionally, we'd like to thank our readers who went the extra mile in preparing: Reynolds Boyd, Daltyn Ott, Daniel Smith, and Phillip Smith. If your schedule didn't allow your child to participate this go around, we surely hope you will be able to Sing and Jingle the next time we share in our Sunday worship which will be December 4th (please mark your calendars)! As always, thank you Gordon, Dawn, Cora, Callen, and the many others who volunteer in our Children's Ministry!



The Holiday Season is upon us and November 16th will be our last Children's Mid Week Recharge in 2022! We will resume on Wednesday, January 4, 2023. On Sunday, November 20th, our church will host the Community Thanksgiving service at 6:00pm. We hope you will attend and help welcome those from other churches to Church Street UMC.

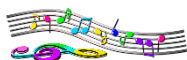


Please mark your December Calendar for the following CHILDREN's ACTIVITIES. On Saturday, December 3rd the CHILDREN are invited to Breakfast with SANTA CLAUS in Windham Hall! We will have muffins, donuts, crafts, and SANTA CLAUS! Please bring a friend and join us at 9:00am in Windham Hall. This will be an hour of Christmas Cheer and fun!!! Then, on Sunday, the 4th, the children will be singing and jingling in our Worship service.

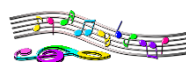
Hope to see you in Sunday school and church 😊

Happy Thanksgiving,

Frances



Give thanks with a grateful heart



I will support Church Street United Methodist Church with my.... PRAYERS

Current: Buddy Swift, Evan Trauai, Blake Flanagan, Todd Deavor, Becky Rives, Elaine Welch, Helen Edwards, Kathryn Britnell, Cora Smith, Bert Beers, Bill Sellier, The Haskell Family

Ongoing: Dub Deavor, Buc & Gwen Shaw, Mary Nell Mayo, Jimbo Barrett, Ray Delp, Ann Buster Payne, Jack Burnside, Gloria Adams, Cassandra Steele, Peggy Cross, Caroline Thomas, Glenn Carter, Bobby Phillips, Allen Green, Sonny Nelson, Bob Simpson, Linda & Jesse Harris, Danny Jordan, Brooke Lawrence, Shelby Breedlove, David Saylor, Abigail Flanagan, Jim Kennedy, Arthur "Deedle" Sullivan, Amy & Jim Sims, Keith Stephan, Gary West, Kathryn Hardy, Bill Livingston, Clark Schatz, Shannon Miller Cook

Homebound: Eloise Trammel, Jean Walker, Ann Pegues, Edna Wiechers, Camille Salter, Rex & Anita Waldrop, Lucille Jordan Sellier, Mary Ann Hornsby



Charge Conference is scheduled for
Tuesday, November 8th at 6:30 pm in the
Sanctuary.

Please mark your calendar to attend.

I will support Church Street United Methodist Church with my.... PRESENCE

**We hope to see each of you each week for our
regular Sunday Schedule with Breakfast at 8:30
a.m., Sunday School at 9:15 a.m., and
Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.
Please remember Wednesday nights!**

Average attendance in October

Sunday School: 80
Worship Service: 140

The Blessing of Our
Story will be
October 30th, this
service will bless the



chapters the narrators bring to you.
You complete your part of Our Story.
Thank you to all who will prepare food
for our celebration supper on Sunday,
November 13th, and to each of you
for making the story of Church Street
United Methodist Church a story that
will last for years to come.

Please plan to come to the
Celebration Supper!

Look for an update from Beau Boyd
and Andrea Livingston in the next
Link.

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Income vs. Expenses 3rd Quarter 2022

Month			Month End Balance	
	Income	Expenses	Negative	Positive
July	41,075	56,440	-15,365	
August	57,655	46,598		11,057
September	43,127	50,115	-6,988	
Year to Date	401,964	409,765	-7,801	

November Communion Offering

The Communion Offering on Sunday, November 6th, will be given to Food Bank.



MEMORIALS

David Pearce, Jr.

By: Evelyn & Bibb Cain
By: Eleanor Reynolds
By: Bill & Donna Porter
By: Larry & Jan Justice
By: Floyd & Kaye Plummer
By: Judy Spivey
By: Bruce & Ann Adams
By: Ed & Beth Williams

Melvin Heinz

By: Eleanor Reynolds

John Haskell

By: Myrna Hollis
By: Claude & Caroline Anderson
By: CSUMC Pairs & Spares
By: Larry & Edie Jones
By: Bruce & Ann Adams
By: Gordon & Elaine Welch
By: Wayne & Paula Vardaman

Lou Mozino

By: Larry & Edie Jones
By: Julie Ford

David Steele

By: Floyd & Kaye Plummer



Join us for a time of
Thanksgiving

Community Thanksgiving
Service

Sunday, November 20th @
6:00 pm

Church Street United
Methodist Church

214 Church Street

Selma, Alabama

We will be collecting food for the food bank.

Please bring a can of food to donate.

I will support Church Street United Methodist Church with my.... SERVICE

Teams Serving in November

Ushers: Bill Porter, Randy Lovelady, David Ousley, Andy Arrington, Les Smith, James McNeill, Claude Anderson, Owen Nichols

Security: Bart Adams, Buc Shaw, Tom Lang, Leigh Lang, Judy Moore

Worship Stewards: Polly Sellier & Em Moore

Collection Counters: Linda Haskell & Eleanor Reynolds

If you are unable to be present, please find a replacement and contact your captain.

November Meetings

Trustees

Tuesday, November 8th at 5:00 pm,
in Grist Library

Finance

No Meeting this month

Church Council

No Meeting this Month



Mid Week Recharge Schedule

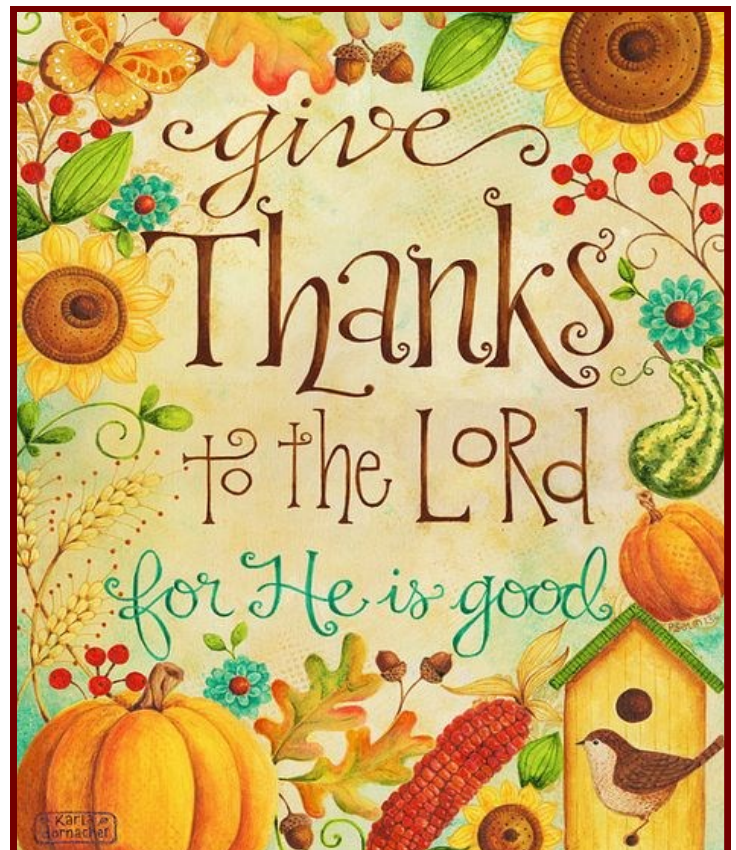
October 26th - Trunk or Treat

November 2nd - Shrimp & Grits, Salad, Dessert

November 9th - Subway Sandwiches, Chips, Dessert

November 16th - Thanksgiving Supper

Wednesday Night Recharge will resume on January 4th !



**I will support Church Street United Methodist Church with my....
WITNESS**

Living Treasures

***Mark your calendar for
Living Treasures on
November 17th @ Noon***

**Leika's will present
A Thanksgiving Program
and we will have AC Reeves
as our Speaker.**

This group of senior adults (60 and above) meets the third Thursday of each month for a catered lunch at 12:00 noon and the program ends at 1:00 pm. The cost is \$8.00 per person and reservations are not required. If you would like to be a part of this group and receive notifications of meeting dates, please Contact Gale Bedgood or call the Church Office.



BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

Tuesday Bible Study led by Martha Jackson meets each Tuesday, at 12:00 noon, in the Old Parsonage. Bring your sack lunch and join them.



Save the Date...

The Children's Ministry is working on something
Festive and Fun !

Mark your calendar for Wednesday, December
21st!



Circle Meetings

Catherine Revel Circle

will meet Monday, November 7th, at
3:00 pm, in Windham Hall

Roberta Sample Circle

meeting will be announced at a later
date.



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