Guest Information

Thank you for joining us for worship! Prattville First Methodist Church is a vibrant, caring, and active community of faith, affiliated with the Global Methodist denomination. We are committed to making Disciples of Jesus Christ who make an impact on our community and world by sharing Christ's love through worship, spiritual growth, service, and outreach. We offer two traditional worship services in the Sanctuary each Sunday morning at 8:30am and 11:00am.

Nursery and Children's Worship

A nursery is available for children ages 4 and younger. Following the "children's moment," children in Kindergarten through 6th grade are invited to join our team of children's worship leaders for a special time of age-appropriate worship. Children may be picked up following the service in Epworth Hall in room 206 (EPW 206). The first Sunday of each month, the children remain in the sanctuary for communion. If you need assistance in locating the nursery, please ask a member of our hospitality team.

Children's Activity Bags

New activity bags for children are available at the rear of the sanctuary. The bags include quiet games, puzzles, and coloring sheets for our youngest worshipers. Please ask a member of the hospitality team to assist you.

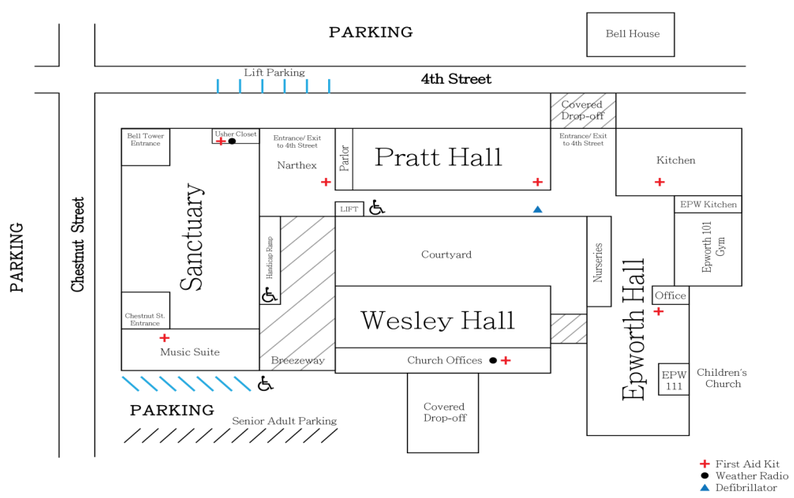
Sunday School

Sunday School is offered for children, youth, and adults at 10:00 each Sunday morning. Classes are offered for all ages 2 and older. Adult classes are in Wesley Hall and Epworth Hall. Children & Youth classes are in Epworth Hall. All are welcome. Please ask a member of our hospitality team for the location of classes.

Adult Sunday School and Weekly Small Groups

Scan this QR code for more information about the Adult Sunday School classes and our weekly Small Groups for adults

Prattville First Methodist Campus Map



This Week at Prattville First Methodist

Today: 10:00am One combined worship service (Sanctuary)
Monday: Office closed
Tuesday: Office open 8:30am - 4:30pm
Wednesday: Office open 8:30am - 12noon
Thursday and Friday: Office closed

Announcements

John Wesley's News Years Covenant Liturgy - January 7th, 1:30-2:15pm and 6:00-6:45pm in the sanctuary
All invited for New Year's Communion and traditional Methodist worship using the liturgy of New Years Commitment penned by John Wesley himself. Get refreshed, renewed, and well-prepared for what God has in store for 2026. Childcare provided if needed, contact the office in advance to let us know.

Senior Lunch Bunch - January 8th at 11:30am
Due to the holiday schedule, our Senior Lunch Bunch will meet on Thursday, January 8th at The Olive Garden. Call the church office for your reservation.

Flying Tacos and Family Bingo Night January 11 - 5-6pm in the Gym
Registration now through website and app to reserve your spot!!!

Women of the Church, Soup Supper, January 15, 6:00 pm, Pratt Hall
All women of the church! Mark your calendars for January 15, 2026. Come to Pratt Hall at 6pm for a delicious soup supper. A great time to reconnect with friends and make new ones!

Lunch and Learn! January 20th
Lunch & Learn will resume on January 20th at 12noon in Pratt Hall. Call the church office for your reservations, 334-365-5977.

Wednesday Nights are BACK starting January 21st
Everyone invited to join us as our Wednesday night activities resume with a tasty dinner and actives for children (including 6th grade confirmation), youth and adults starting at 5pm in Pratt Hall. Children's choirs start at 5:45pm, Youth will begin at 6:15 in the youth room, Adult studies begin at 6pm and Chancel Choir will meet at 6:30 in the Choir Room.

Winter/Spring Wed. Night Adult Bible Studies - Start on January 21st, 6-7pm
Start planning to join us for one of our Winter/Spring 2026 Study offerings. Our studies will begin with the Winter session, Wednesday, January 21st:
Truth Rising: Hope, Truth, Identity and Calling- How we are called to live faithfully as Christians in the world today. (Eddie Gaston, Leader)
A Fresh Look at C.S. Lewis: Let's discover the timeless truths in C.S. Lewis's signal message to the modern church, Mere Christianity (6 sessions leading up to Easter), and The Screwtape Letters (3 sessions after Easter). (Faith Patton, leader)
Living the Psalms, A Confidence for All Seasons: Looking at how the Psalms speak to our lives today. 4 sessions prior to Lent, 3 sessions after Easter. (Pastor Larry, leader)
Jesus in the Wild: Pastor Larry will lead us through Jesus' 40 day Wilderness experience during the Lenten Season. This resource will be used for the Tuesday Lenten Lunches and repeated on Wednesday nights during Lent. Pastor Larry will also be using this work as the basis for his Lenten Sermon Series.

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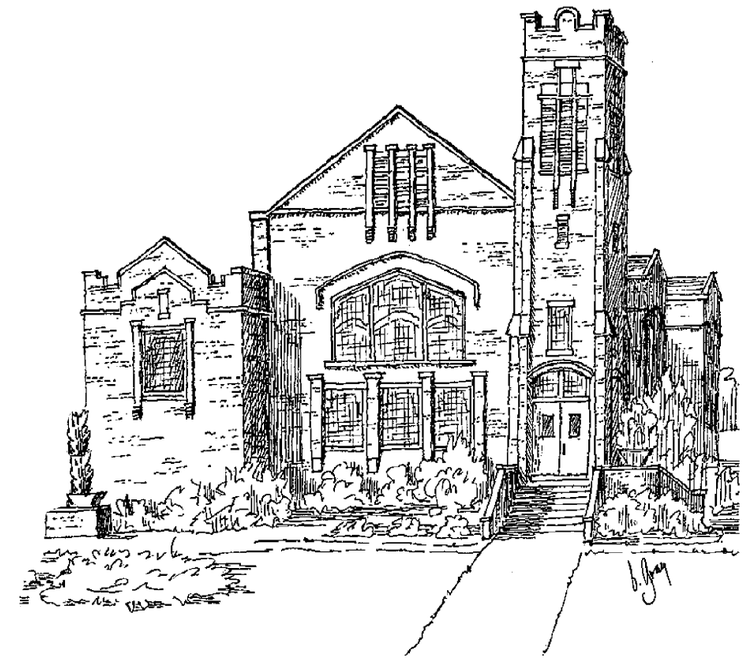

First Sunday after Christmas Day

December 28, 2025
10:00 AM

"Let them praise the name of the Lord . . .
~ Psalm 148:5

Our mission is to multiply disciples of Jesus Christ who worship, grow, and serve for the transformation of the world.

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MORNING WORSHIP

December 28, 2025

First Sunday after Christmas Day

Before the service, speak to God; during the service, let God speak to you; after the service, speak to others.

Chiming of the Trinity

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

Prelude ***Joy to the World*** arr. Smith

Charlotte Nichols, organ Christy Henson, piano

Welcome and Announcements Jennifer Aughtman

We welcome each of you to this service! Please register your attendance on the attendance pads that are located at the end of your row. Let us know if you are new, would like to become a member, or are interested in more information about Prattville First Methodist. We pray that this time together will be a blessing to you.

†Processional Hymn **The First Noel** 188

†Call to Worship Hunter Taylor

Leader: Shout for joy! The savior is here.
People: Sing with gladness! Our darkness is turned into light.
Leader: Let every heart prepare a space. Let every home make ready.
For a new day has dawned.
People: The world has been made new. The savior has been born.
Sing with joy!

†Opening Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray together.

All: Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, ever faithful to your promises and ever close to your Church: the earth rejoices in hope of the Savior's coming and looks forward with longing to his return at the end of time. Prepare our hearts and remove the sadness that hinders us from feeling the joy and hope which his presence will bestow, for he is Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

†John Wesley Covenant Prayer for the New Year

I am no longer my own, but thine.
Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt.
Put me to doing, put me to suffering.
Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee,
exalted for thee or brought low for thee.
Let me be full, let me be empty.
Let me have all things, let me have nothing.
I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal.
And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it.
And the covenant which I have made on earth,
let it be ratified in heaven, Amen.

†Gloria Patri Meineke

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

†Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us greet one another with signs of peace and reconciliation.

Baptism **Bennett Charles Moore**

Son of Chris and Shannon Moore
Grandson of Daniel and Myki Patrick

Concerns and Celebrations of the Congregation Billy Taylor

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

Your tithes and offerings financially support the vibrant mission and ministries of PFMC. Thank you! The central part of worship is to consecrate each gift for the Lord. We are deeply grateful for your commitment to Christ and the church!

Anthem ***I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day***

Jeremy Pyles, solo

†Doxology 682

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. Amen.

†Prayer of Consecration Jeremy Pyles

Eternal God, consecrate all of our giving to grow your Gospel in us, and in all who are reached by our ministries. Multiply our blessings and joys as we share in your work. Amen.

Scripture Reading **Matthew 2:13-23** N.T. p 2

Sermon **"When All is Said and Done"** Rev. Daniel Patrick

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 minister at the chancel rail during the singing of the final verse of the Hymn of Response.

†Hymn of Response ***Love Came Down at Christmas*** 181

†Benediction

†Postlude

†Please stand as you are able.

Prayer Concerns

Church Family: John Boutwell, Ray & Sue Brasel, Sabrina Colburn, Carlyn Howell, Anita Kasten, Betty Lamar, Wyn Minor, Louise Moody, Kenny Nichols, Tim Taylor, Ann Thrower

Extended Family: Libby Barrett, Yon Chong, Austin Cochran, Joe Davis, Richard Dudley, Lee Gunn, Whitney Hill, Angela Howell, Peg McLean, Asher Patrick, Drew Peterson, Leslie Rider, Kathleen Rush, Gordon Smith, Lloyd Taylor Jr., Clayton Thompson, Revonda Young

The Flowers on the Altar have been placed to the Glory of God and in honor of the following who have served our church faithfully as Church Leadership Chairpersons in 2025: Brad Robbins, Meredith Dismukes, Ken Daniel, Mike Harrell, and Will Broadway.

Sanctuary Altar Flower Calendar

Fresh flowers may be placed on the altar in memory of or in honor of your loved ones. Contact Freda Clark (freda@prattvillemethodist.org) or (334-365-5977) in the church office to reserve your dates for 2026.

Prattville First Methodist Year-End Giving Reminders

The end of the year is almost here! For your contributions to qualify as a 2025 tax-deductible donation, the IRS requires that they must be received or post-marked by December 31, 2025. Here are the specific deadlines:

BY MAIL: The postmark date on the envelope must be no later than December 31st.

IN PERSON: If you wish to drop off your contribution, the finance office will be open Dec. 22nd & 23rd, closed Dec. 24th - 29th, and open Tuesday, Dec. 30th all day and Wednesday, Dec. 31st until noon.

ONLINE GIVING: Online gifts must be entered before midnight, December 31st. Visit (**www.prattvillemethodist.org/give**) and scroll down to follow the step-by-step instructions.

CHURCH APP: Download the church app (First Methodist Prattville) in the Apple or Google Play stores on your electronic device. Following a brief download, you can access the Giving tab at the bottom of the screen to enter your secure giving amount by midnight on December 31st.

STOCK: Stock gifts must be transferred to the church before the stock market closes at 3:00 p.m. CST on Friday, December 26th. Please notify Myki Patrick at 334-365-5977 by noon on 12/23 with the details of your stock transaction and to confirm instructions.

Also Serving in Worship

Jeremy Pyles, Director of Music Ministries
Charlotte Nichols, Organist Christy Henson, Pianist
8:30: Madelyne Kennedy, Crucifer
Rachel Palmer, Acolytes