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.

Next Steps

Are you wondering about your Next Steps in your faith walk? We would love to help. Whether you are seeking baptism, wanting to join a small group, discover your gifts to serve God, or learn more about being a member of Prattville First Methodist, you are invited to email Pastor Tony at tony@prattvillemethodist.org.

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.

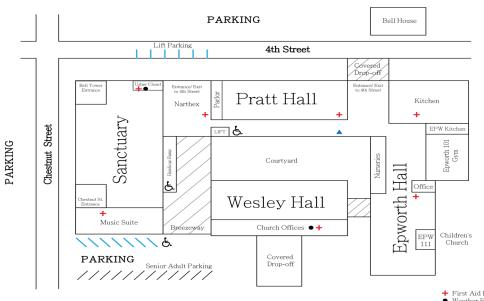
Sunday School

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.

Children's Activity Bags

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.

Prattville First Methodist Campus Map



This Week at Prattville First Methodist

Today: 8:30am Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary)

9:40am Fellowship Time (Pratt Hall)
10:00am Sunday School/Small Groups

11:00am Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary)
1:45pm Greensprings Serve Day (Greensprings)

4:00pm Genesis Singers (Choir Suite)

4:00pm Women's Mini Gathering (Pratt Hall)
5:00pm Family Bingo and Flying Taco Night (Gym)

Monday: 6:00pm PFM Women's Soup Supper (Gym)

Tuesday: 5:30pm Handbell Choir (Sanc 104) **Wednesday:** 10:30am Care Meal Team (Kitchen)

11:00am 50 Forward Choir (Choir Suite) 5:00-6:15pm Wednesday Night Dinner

5:45-6:30pm Children's Choirs

6:00pm Old Testament Study (Wesley 208) 6:00pm Philippians Study (Wesley 104)

6:15-7:30pm Youth Activities

6:30-6:45pm Children's Open Gym (Epworth 101)

6:30pm Chancel Choir (Choir Suite)

6:45-7:30pm Children's Bible Zone and Confirmation Class

Thursday: 11:30am Senior Lunch Bunch (Fantail Seafood and Steakhouse)

Friday - Sunday: Confirmation Class Worship and Serve Weekend

Upcoming Events

Serve Opportunity today - 1:45pm at Greensprings Assisted Living
Contact Daniel Patrick for more information at daniel@prattvillemethodist.org.

Women's Mini-Gathering will meet today at 4:00pm in Pratt Hall
Contact Jennifer Aughtman at jenni@prattvillemethodist.org for more information.

Family Bingo and Children's Flying Taco Night - tonight at 5:00pm - Gym A family game night and flying tacos - this is a can't miss event! Dinner and fun for all ages. This is a great event in which to invite friends to get involved at PFMC.

Senior Lunch Bunch - Thursday, February 1st - 11:30am

Grab a friend and come to the Fantail Seafood and Steakhouse for a great time of good food and fellowship. Call the church office by Wednesday to let us know you will be there so we can make the group reservation.

Wednesday Night Activities

You are invited to join us for our Wednesday night activities with a tasty dinner and activities for children, 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.

Wednesday Night Dinner Menu for January 31st

\$10 meal: Beef Tacos, Pork Tamales, Refried Beans, Spanish Rice, Nacho/Salad Bar and Tres leches Cake. \$5 meal: Same menu with smaller portions.

Adult Bible Studies - Wednesday nights @ 6pm

Philippians Study with Rev. Stanley Carter meets in Wesley 104 Old Testament Study with Pastor Tony McCullough meets in Wesley 208 Learn more about these studies and sign up on the church app or website.

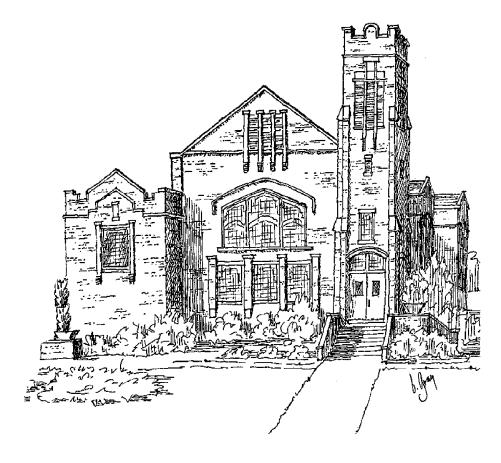
Upcoming Serve Opportunity (Open to Everyone):

Teacher Support Day (Pray, serve coffee and snacks to staff): Tuesday, February 6th @ 7:30am - Prattville Junior High School

As of December 31, 2023 the following data was reported by our finance committee: **2023 Receipts YTD:** \$1,501,234

2023 Expenses YTD: \$1,392,098

PRATTVILLE FIRST METHODIST CHURCH



A Global Methodist Congregation

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 28, 2024 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

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

January 28, 2024

Third Sunday after the Epiphany

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 Lord, Speak to Me Schumann

Welcome and Announcements

Dr. Tony McCullough

We welcome each of you to this service! Please register your attendance on the red 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 in your life.

†Processional Hymn

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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†Call to Worship

(8:30) Holly McNider (11:00) Cathy Latham

Leader: Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.

People: The Lord has made his salvation known and revealed his

righteousness to the nations.

Leader: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth; burst into jubilant song

with music and singing.

People: Let us worship the Lord our God.

†Opening Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: Almighty God, we praise you for your bountiful blessings and constant provision in our lives. Use us, O Lord, and our gifts to be a blessing to others. Amen.

†Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the
Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

†Gloria Patri

Meinek

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 8:30am (see insert)

Parker Wadsworth Minor

Son of Bryant and Molly Minor Grandparents are Wyn and Rocky Minor and Lori and Robert Johnson.

Concerns and Celebrations of the Congregation

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem Lead Me Home arr. Raney

Chancel Choir

Offering

We appreciate your tithes and offerings which financially support the vibrant mission and ministries of PFMC. There are a number of ways to securely give today: by making a gift in the offering plate, through our church website under "Give" or on our church app (Prattville First Methodist) under the "Giving" tab. You may also want to consider supporting the church through recurring gifts made through your banking/investing institution. Scan the QR code to the right to make a secure gift through our website.

†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. Amen.

Children's Moment

Stacey Lewis

(Children K - 6th grade are invited to Children's Worship in Epworth 206.)

†Hymn

I Love to Tell the Story

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Scripture ReadingAs he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called

Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people. Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought to him all the sick, those who were afflicted with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics, and paralytics, and he cured them. And great crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

Sermon

"Chosen for Change"

Dr. Tony McCullough

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 first stanza of the Hymn of Response.

†Hymn of Response

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

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†Benediction

†Postlude Praise the Savior

German melody

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

†Please stand as you are able.

Prayer Concerns

Church Family: Helen Allen, Avery Beatty, John Boutwell, Sabrina Colburn, Sallie Crabb, Eddie Gaston, Brett Johnson, Faye Johnson, Frank Keller, Frank & Betty Lamar, Nalini Mark, Louise Moody, Eddie Pope, Cindy Robbins, Ann Thrower, Jami White (new prayer needs) Mike Harris, Willard Kitchens, Hazel Phillips, Albert Striplin

Extended Family: Sadie Bangen, Lorriene Benninger, Stephanie Bruner-Allen, Ashley Counts and Family, Richard Dudley, Dave Flanagan, Larry Ludtke, Lee Mays, Pastor Algie Morgan, Donna Shevchik, Deborah Sturdivant, Bill Tatum, Jeff Whisnant, Keila Young (new prayer needs) Tony Fox, Jean Graham, Phillip Hancock, Mary Catherine Jones Reynolds

The flowers on the altar have been placed to the Glory of God by Bill & Martha McCrary in loving memory of their parents, Ernest (Tony) & Wilma McCrary and Mr. & Mrs. Edgar Hardman.

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 date for the upcoming weeks and months.

Sermon Notes

Also Serving in Worship

Jeremy Pyles, Director of Music Ministries
Patty Crowley, Organist Christy Henson, Pianist
8:30 Crucifer: Ford Hallman
8:30 Acolytes: Bella Hallman and Michaela Dannelley