

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 life group, discover your gifts to serve God, or learn more about being a member of Prattville First Methodist, please email the church office at office@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.

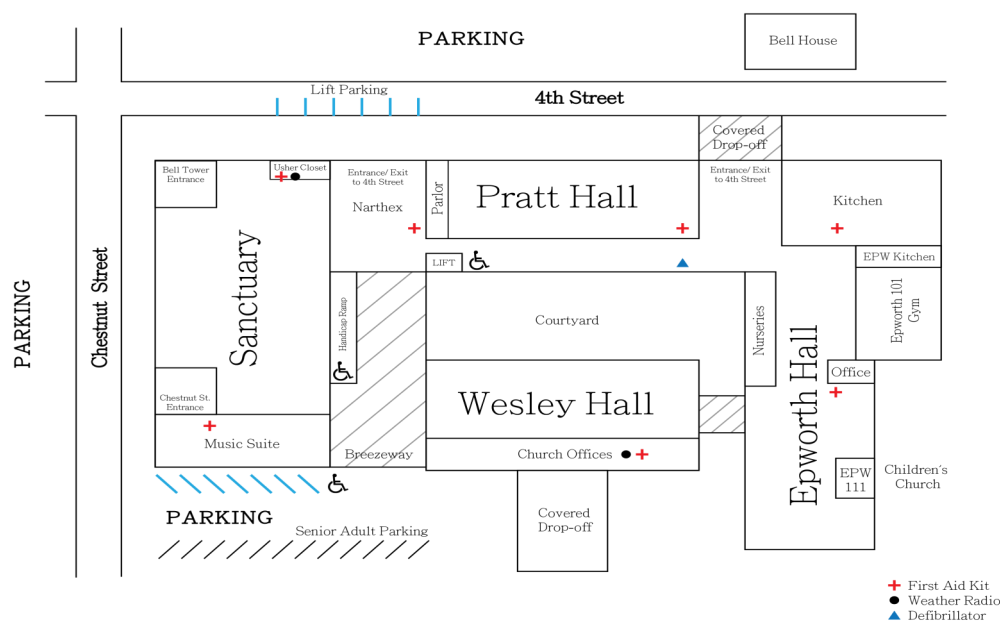
Sunday School

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 worshippers. 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)
 5:00pm Genesis Singers (Choir Suite)
- Monday:** 5:30pm Finance Team (Wesley 101)
- Tuesday:** 5:30pm Handbell Choir (Sanc 104)
 6:00pm Trustees Team (Wesley 101)
 7:00pm SPRC (Wesley 104)
- Wednesday:** 10:30am Care Meal Team (Kitchen)
 11:00am 50 Forward Choir (Choir Suite)
 5:00pm Wednesday Night Dinner
- Children:** 5:45-6:30pm Children's Choirs (Various rooms)
 6:30-7:30pm Children's Activities
- Youth:** 6:00-7:30pm Youth Activities (Youth room)
- Adults:** 6:00pm The Lord's Prayer Study with Stanley Carter (Wesley 104)
 6:30pm Chancel Choir (Choir Suite)
- Thursday:** 10:30am Congregational Care Team (Wesley 101)
 6:30pm Serve Team (Wesley 101)
- Saturday:** 12:00pm Youth City Scavenger Hunt

Announcements

New Members!

We are happy to welcome our new members, Brian and Katie Ferguson and their daughters Lily and Phoebe! Please make an effort to meet this family and help them find their place in our activities. We are so excited they have joined our church family!

Pursuit! The Man Group Open Enrollment

Join us in a life group as we explore together: identity, integrity, purpose, surrender, passion, commitment, compassion and influence as men in alignment with God. Sign up on line at prattvillemethodist.org or contact Daniel Patrick for more information at daniel@prattvillemethodist.org.

Wednesday Night Dinner Menu for April 17th

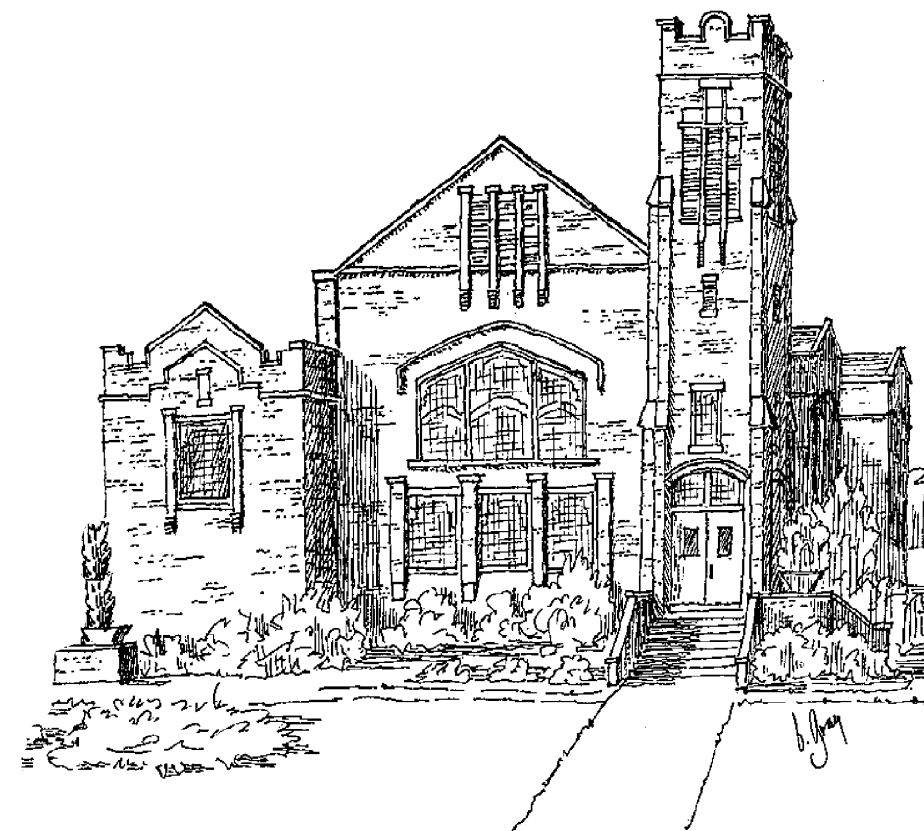
\$10 meal: Chicken Enchilada Bake, Creamy Spanish Rice, Refried Beans, Nacho Salad Bar with Guacamole, and Key Lime Bars
 \$5 meal: Chicken and Cheese Quesadillas, Tater Tots, and Key Lime Bars

Serve Opportunities in April:

- April 21st** - Serve at Greensprings Assisted Living from 1:45-2:45 by lending your gifts and growing the kingdom! We will meet at Green Springs for a worship event in community. We meet new friends, love on people through the singing of songs, fellowship, share a message and enjoy time together in friendship. This is a great way to share the love of Jesus with others!
- April 21st** - Youth Bible Club at Pratt Court from 2:30-4:30pm. Sharing the love of Jesus through games, crafts, fellowship and Bible Stories.

Children's Choir Concert - April 28 at 5:30 PM

Join us on Sunday, April 28th at 5:30pm in the Sanctuary as our children's choirs present their Spring Concert. Being led in worship by these young people is a blessing that you won't want to miss!



Third Sunday of Easter

April 14, 2024
 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

The mission of Prattville First Methodist Church is to develop faithful disciples of Jesus Christ who passionately worship, generously serve, and unselfishly love, all for the glory of God.

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MORNING WORSHIP

April 14, 2024

Third Sunday of Easter

*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

Great is Thy Faithfulness

arr. Wagner

Welcome

Jeremy Pyles

We welcome each of you to this service! Please register your attendance on the blue 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

For the Beauty of the Earth

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†Call to Worship:

(8:30) Holly McNider (11:00) Tracy Camara

Leader: Jesus said: You are the light of the world.

People: Let our light shine, giving glory to God.

Leader: Do all things for the sake of the gospel.

People: So may we share in the blessings of God.

Leader: He called out: Whom shall I send?

People: I answered: Here I am; send me.

†Opening Prayer

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: As we gather here in the harbor of your presence, we thank you for fellowship and family. We ask that you will strengthen us, restore us and inspire us with your love. Lord, fill us with your peace so that as we journey onwards, we would pour out your love and grace to others. We ask that our souls would catch the wind of your Holy Spirit so that we would take your promises to all the earth. 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;
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.

*universal

†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.

Announcements

Stacey Lewis

Concerns and Celebrations of the Congregation

Daniel Patrick

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

Written in Red

Chancel Choir

arr. Kirkland

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

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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

How Great Is Our God

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Scripture Reading

Luke 24:36-43

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Message

"Expect His Unexpected Peace"

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

†Hymn of Response

How Great Thou Art

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†Benediction

Daniel Patrick

†Postlude

Praise be to God

Powers

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

†Please stand as you are able.

Prayer Concerns

Church Family: Sabrina Colburn, Mike Harris, Frank & Betty Lamar, Wayne Lambert, Cathy Latham, Nalini Mark, Louise Moody, Carol Pearson, Eddie Pope, Albert Striplin, Cynthia Summers, Ann Thrower, Jami White

Extended Family: Karen & Richard Aldridge, Stephanie Bruner-Allen, Miline Bedwell, Susan Dornbusch, Richard Dudley, Dave Flanagan, Jolie Lee, Bill Little, Clif Smith, Luvern Smith, Jeff Whisnant, Adelaide Bell Williams

The flowers on the altar have been placed to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Beatrice Kitchens by Willard and Kay Kitchens.

Memorial Board

For those interested in placing a plaque in memory of a loved one on the Memorial Board located in Wesley Hall, the cost is \$100.00 (minimum) to the Building Fund and \$150.00 for the cost of the plaque. Please call Freda Clark in the church office (365-5977) for more information.

Sermon Notes

Also Serving in Worship

Charlotte Nichols, Organist Christy Henson, Pianist

8:30am: Laneiya Page, Crucifer

Camryn Page and Marlee Murdock, Acolytes