## **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**



Restrooms are located outside the church office in Wesley Hall, near the kitchen in Pratt Hall, and to the right of the elevator upstairs in Epworth Hall.

## This Week at Prattville First Methodist

**Today:** 8:30am Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary) 9:40am Fellowship Time - Donuts, Refreshments (Pratt Hall) 10:00am Sunday School/Small Groups 11:00am Traditional Worship Service (Sanctuary) 12-1pm Agape Dinner Leadership Team (Wesley 104) 2:00pm Greensprings Serve Event (Greensprings) 5:00pm CentriKid Parent Meeting (Wesley 104) Monday: 5:30pm Finance Team (Wesley 101) 6:00pm Women's Group - Faithfulness (Library) 6:00pm Serve Team 6:30pm Trustees Team (Wesley 102) Tuesday: 6:30am Men's Group Delta (Chappy's Deli) 5:30pm Holy Land Tour Interest Meeting (Pratt Hall) 7:00pm Volunteer Meeting S.M.A. (Pratt Hall) Wednesday: 7:00am Men's Group Alpha (Wesley 202) 12:00pm Lunch & Learn (Pratt Hall) 6:00pm Men's Group Bravo (Wesley 202) 6:00pm Women's Group Joyfulness (Wesley 207) Thursday: 6:30am Men's Group Charlie (Chappy's Deli) 10:30am Congregational Care Team (Wesley 101)

Please keep our kids and chaperones who are heading to CentriKids Camp and our Chancel Choir and adults who are heading to Ireland in your prayers this week.

## Announcements

Youth Street Reach Stockholders' Dinner is tonight from 6:00-7:30pm in Pratt Hall. If you are a stockholder and have not RSVP'd for tonight but can still come, please do. We want to share this time with all our stockholders!

Holy Land Tour Interest Meeting - Tuesday, July 15th, 5:30pm in Pratt Hall Interested? Come learn the facts about the Holy Land Tour planned for Oct. 2026.

Summer Lunch & Learn, part 2 - with Pastor Larry, this Wed., July 16th Join us in Pratt Hall from 12 - 1pm for lunch, fellowship, and more about "Three Simple Rules" based on John Wesley's General Principles for Methodist Societies.

## **Global Methodist Disaster Relief Fund**

If you would like to contribute to the GMC disaster relief effort for the victims of the Texas Floods, please make your check out to PFMC with TEXAS written in the memo line.

## Choir from Providence Baptist Church - July 27th, 5pm

Worship Concert Sunday, July 27 at 5:00. Join us for a Worship Concert presented by the Choir and Providence Singers from Providence Baptist Church located in Opelika, AL. This is Jeremy's home church and choir and we are so excited to welcome them back to our church for what is sure to be a great evening of music and worship!

## Baptism at the Creek - August 10th at 6:00-6:45pm

Reaffirm your infant baptism (or other baptism), or get baptized for the first time. Meet Pastor Larry and Pastor Daniel at Autauga Creek behind City Hall. Bring a towel, water shoes, and a change of clothes. "And now why do you delay? Get up, be baptized, and have your sins washed away, calling on his name." -Acts 22:16 Contact the church office for more information, or register online to sign up.

## **PJHS on Campus with School Ministries Alabama**

Under the leadership of Dr. Vivian Palmer we are proud to partner with SMA and PJHS to bring "Jesus on Mission" to our campus for released time Bible education. We need volunteers for the following: Lead Teacher, Program Table Leaders, Class Administrators, Class Volunteers, Drivers & Chaperones. Volunteer on our website: prattvillemethodist.org under Weekly Digital Newsletter.





# PRATTVILLE FIRST METHODIST CHURCH

# **Fifth Sunday after Pentecost** July 13, 2025 8:30 and 11:00 AM

Summer Sermon Series: "VBS Is Not Just for Kids"

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

July 13, 2025

## Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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

### Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude

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

The Unclouded Day

## Welcome and Announcements

Hunter Taylor

Meineke

Hamlin

Rev. Larry Patton 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 in your life.

+Processional Hymn Victory in	n Jesus 119
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#### **†Call to Worship**

Leader: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end.

- People: They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness, O Lord.
- Leader: The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.
- People: "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in him."

## **†Opening Prayer**

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

All: Almighty God, your love and mercies are without end, an everpresent comfort through all of our days. May we be faithful to put our hope in you as you have been so faithful to us. Strengthen our zeal that we may not grow weary of seeking after you. In Jesus' name, we pray. 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. \*universal

#### **†Gloria Patri**

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.

Concerns and Celebrations of the Congregation

**Rev. Daniel Patrick** 

**Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer** 

## Offertorv

Your tithes and offerings financially support the vibrant mission and ministries of PFMC. Thank you! 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 support the church through recurring gifts made from your financial institution. 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	Because He Lives Chancel Choir	arr. Hayes E	
†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. Ame	C	
Children's Mor (Children K	<b>nent</b> - 6th grade are invited to Children's Worship in L	Stacey Lewis Epworth 206.)	
†Hymn	I Have Decided to Follow Jesus	603	
Mission Moment Youth Street Reach Testimonials			
<ul> <li>Scripture Reading John 14:15-18, 27</li> <li>If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.</li> <li>Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.</li> <li>Sermon "VBS: Not Just for KidsIt's About Peace" Rev. Larry Patton</li> <li>Invitation to Christian Discipleship</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>			
†Hymn of Resp			
+Benediction			
†Postlude	Psalm of Glory	L. Smith	
After the service, please turn and greet those nearest you.			

<sup>†</sup>Please stand as you are able.

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come. this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

## **Prayer Concerns**

Church Family: John Boutwell, Ray Brasel, Sabrina Colburn, Sandra Harvey, Anita Kasten, Frank & Betty Lamar, Nalini Mark, Louise Moody (new prayer needs) Russ Thompson

Extended Family: Libby Barrett, Yon Chong, Austin Cochran, Richard Dudley, Carla Howell, Sid Johnson, Jolie Lee, Jerrickous Mathew, Bobby Nummy, Chad Ray, L.J. & Gwen Rushing, Clayton Thompson (new prayer needs) Mason Daniel, Anna Livingston, SuDonna Reese, Mack Thacker

**Death: Mac Gipson** 

Mabel Little - Tamara Pelham's mother

The flowers on the altar have been placed to the Glory of God in loving memory of Will Taylor on his 50th birthday by his mom, Terri Taylor. \*\*\*\*

The flowers in the Narthex and Bell Tower have been placed to the Glory of God in loving memory of Mac Gipson by his family.

Sermon Notes

Also Serving in Worship Charlotte Nichols, Organist Christy Henson, Pianist 8:30: Kate McCain, Crucifer Rachel Palmer and Blair Hunter, Acolytes Denise Gilmore and Katrina McLeod, Altar Guild