

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 worshippers. Please ask a member of the hospitality team to assist you.

Sunday School

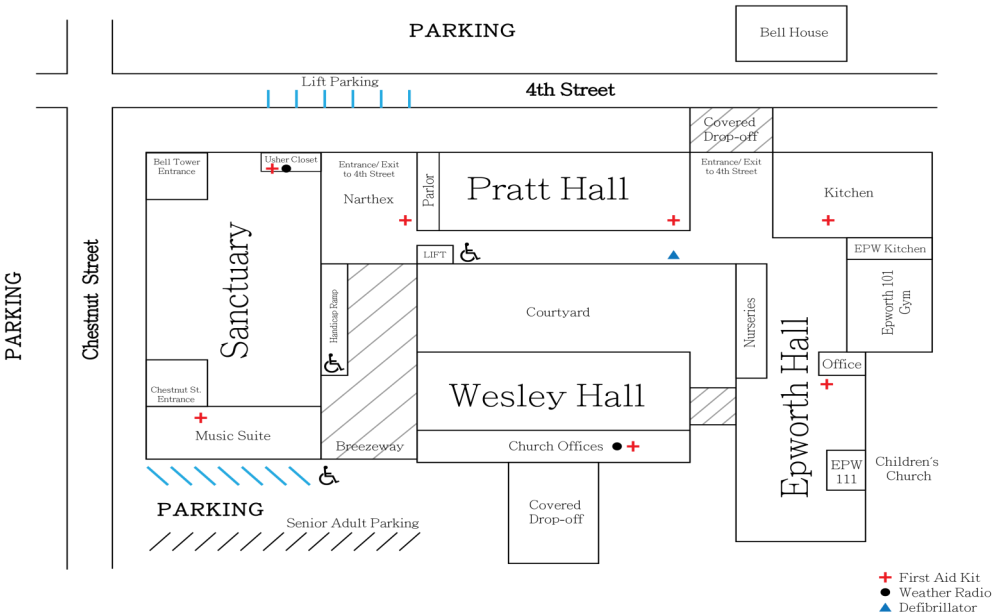
Sunday School is offered for children, youth, and adults at 10:00 each Sunday morning. Classes are offered for all ages 2 and older. Adult classes are in Wesley Hall and Epworth Hall. Children & Youth classes are in Epworth Hall. All are welcome. Please ask a member of our hospitality team for the location 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:** 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)
5:00pm Providence Baptist Church Choir Concert (Sanctuary)
- Monday:** 6:00pm Women’s Group - Faithfulness (Library)
- Tuesday:** 6:30am Men’s Group Delta (Chappy’s Deli)
6:30pm Joel Team (Wesley 101)
- Wednesday:** 7:00am Men’s Group Alpha (Wesley 202)
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)
11:30pm Powell Sunday School Lunch (Epworth 101, the gym)
- Saturday:** 8:00-10:00am Staff/ Church Council Executive Committee Session (Pratt Hall)

Announcements

Choir from Providence Baptist Church - today at 5pm

Don’t miss this 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.

August dates to remember:

- August 2nd: Staff & Executive Committee Communications Session - 8-10:00am
August 3rd: Chancel Choir Ireland Homecoming concert - 8:30 & 11:00am
August 10th: Promotion Sunday & Blessing of the Backpacks - 8:30 & 11:00am
Baptism at the Creek - 6:00-6:45pm
August 13th: Agape Dinner for First Responders - 5:30pm
August 17th: Genesis Singers begin rehearsals - 5:00-6:00pm
August 20th: First Wednesday Night Dinner and Activities - 5:00-7:30pm
August 21st: Summer Lunch & Learn - 12:00-1pm
August 31st: Blood Drive - 9:30am-12:30pm

Youth Week - July 28—August 2

Pray for our Youth and Youth leaders as they prepare for Youth Week. A great week planned for our youth to bond and share God’s love with each other. See our newsletter for more information or contact hunter@prattvillemethodist.org.

Join our Serve Team!

Sign up today to help serve PFMC and our community through serving at events and weekly programming! Our Serve Team meets the 2nd Monday of each month in W101 at 6:00 PM. Contact daniel@prattvillemethodist.org for questions.

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.



Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 27, 2025
8:30 and 11:00 AM

“Jesus answered, ‘I am the way and the truth and the life.’”

- John 14:6

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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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.

MORNING WORSHIP

July 27, 2025

Seventh 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

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

Prelude Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus arr. Henry

Welcome and Announcements 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 To God Be the Glory 531

†Call to Worship Hunter Taylor
Leader: Trust in the steadfast love of God forever and ever.
People: We will thank God forever, because of what God has done.
Leader: In the presence of the faithful, proclaim God’s name.
People: For God is good.

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

All: Almighty God, you brought creation into being through Christ, and in Christ all things find their purpose. Open our eyes to see the world as your gift and to use your gifts for the sake of Christ, that through the witness of our lives the gospel may be proclaimed to all people. 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 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.

Concerns and Celebrations of the Congregation Dr. Wayne Perry

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer

Offertory
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!

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

Anthem His Eye is On the Sparrow arr. Labenske
Marianne Gamper, pianist

†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.

Children’s Moment Stacey Lewis
(Children K - 6th grade are invited to Children’s Worship in Epworth 206.)

†Hymn Love Lifted Me 89

Scripture Reading John 11:25-26
Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.”

Sermon “VBS: Not Just For Kids, It’s About Life” Rev. Larry Patton

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 Just As I Am, Without One Plea 509

†Benediction

†Postlude

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

†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, Russ Thompson (new prayer needs) Tony Camara & Family, Charles DeRamus, Billy Thompson, Leanne Wadsworth & Family

Extended Family: Libby Barrett, Yon Chong, Austin Cochran, Mason Daniel, Richard Dudley, Nellie Haynie, Angela Howell, Carla Howell, Sid Johnson, Jolie Lee, Bobby Nummy, Chad Ray, SuDonna Reese, Sandra Richards, Clayton Thompson (new prayer needs) Frank Moody, Bill Tatum, Emma Tatum, Rebecca Lee

The flowers on the altar have been placed to the Glory of God in memory of Freda Woodman on her 90th birthday with love from her daughter, Jennifer Aughtman and Family.

Sermon Notes

Also Serving in Worship

Angie Mitchell, Guest Conductor
Patty Crowley, Organist Marianne Gamper, Pianist
8:30: Nolan Currier, Crucifer
Camryn Page and Nancy Claire Currier, Acolytes
Denise Gilmore and Katrina McLeod, Altar Guild