

First United Methodist Church of Gadsden

**Gadsden
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The People of Gadsden First United Methodist Church
Changing Lives by *Sharing Christ, Making Disciples,*
Serving and Giving Hope



www.fumcgadsden.org

115 So. 5th St. Gadsden, AL 35901

June 14, 2020

Calendar for June 14-June 20, 2020

June 14, Sunday, 9:00 am, Celebration Worship; 10:00 am, Living Waters Sunday School, GoToMeeting; 11:00 am, Traditional Worship, Live Streaming, (join us for Facebook Live or on the church website for livestream audio broadcast); 6:00 pm, Youth via Zoom or Instagram
June 15, Monday, 6:30 pm, Bible Study with Pastor Carrie, via Zoom
June 16, Tuesday, 9:00 am-1:00 pm, ELC Summer Schedule; 6:30 pm, Mosaic, Outside in the Green Space (corner of 6th & Chestnut)
June 17, Wednesday, 6:00 pm, Online Bible Study with Pastor Sam, Facebook Live; 6:00 pm, Youth via Zoom or Instagram
June 18, Thursday, 9:00 am-1:00 pm, ELC Summer Schedule; 5:30 pm, Thursday Worship, Sanctuary; 7:00 pm, College Group, via Zoom
June 19, Friday, 11:00 am-12:00 pm, Ladle of Love, Sack Lunches, Portico entrance

A letter was mailed last week to everyone explaining our phase-in worship activity. If you have not received your letter please contact the church office.

During Office Hours (8:00am-4:00pm) Monday thru Friday, you may call if you have a need that we can help with. If no answer, please leave a message and a staff member will return your call. Refer to the schedule of worship and times on the calendar via Facebook Live, Zoom, and GoToMeeting. Stay Well. Stay Safe.

Sunday through Friday at 10:00 am, Children and families join Pastor Carrie on Facebook Live for singing and a Bible Story.



Give! Your church needs your support now more than ever! Since we have had to suspend in-person worship service, we haven't been able to receive offerings (obviously). We still need your support to keep our awesome church going. You can always do online giving through our secure e-giving site. Go to our church website www.fumcgadsden.org or to the App: FUMC Gadsden to find out how or drop a check in the mail to 115 S. 5th street, Gadsden, AL 35901. If you can give something extra during this time, it would really help and be much appreciated! Call 256-543-8200 (church office) if you need any assistance.

*The rose on the altar is in honor
of the birth of
Decker Rampey
April 30, 2020*

Parents - Ryan & Dana

Big Brother: Ryker



*Given by the Children's Ministry
and the ELC*

Honorariums and Memorials

General Budget Fund: In memory of Dr. Larry Grimes and Dr. Adrian Chandler, given by Mr. & Mrs. Mark Condra.

In memory of Dr. Adrian Chandler, given by Evelyn Pierson. In memory of Dr. Adrian Chandler, given by Stanley & Leda Taylor.

In memory of Dr. Adrian Chandler, given by Mr. & Mrs. James Stivender. In memory of Dr. Adrian Chandler, given by Dr. Chip Griffith.

In memory of Holley Freeman Sparks, Mark Swann, Dr. Larry Grimes, and Dr. Adrian Chandler, given by Julia Nolen Knox.

In memory of Dr. Larry Grimes, given by Dr. George Fant. In memory of Dr. Adrian Chandler, given by Dave & Sissie Jensen.

In memory of Dr. Adrian Chandler, given by Kevin & Theresa Beightol.

Building Fund: In memory of Dr. Adrian Chandler, given by George & Joanne Hightower.

Benevolence Fund: In memory of Mark Swann, given by Pathfinders Sunday School Class.

Music Fund: In memory of Dr. Adrian Chandler, given by Alex Holtsford.

**memorials
& gifts**

Birthdays.....

Jun 14 Cindy Kasper,
Kelly Page, Jackson Page,
Shannon Muratta
Jun 15 Janice Dreyer,
Blaise Jarecki
Jun 16 Beth Dial
Jun 17 Judy Dressman, Rick Moran,
Josh Reeves
Jun 18 Carter Murray, Cole Murray
Jun 19 David Woodall
Jun 20 Brenda Copeland, Will Estis,
Sarah Katherine Edmondson



Week of June 7, 2020

Total number of Live viewers 398
Celebration 119 Traditions 128
Mosaic 32 Youth & College 12
Children's Bible Story Break 58
Bible Study Groups (3) 49
General Offering Budget \$15,440.00
General Offering Received \$27,120.00
YTD General Offering Budget \$355,120.00
YTD General Offering Received \$337,171.04
Special Easter Offering: \$8,220.00

Text to Give: 256-344-8464

Online Giving: www.fumcgadsden.org/give

Immediate Prayer Concerns

Family of Dr. Adrian Chandler
DeLeath Rives
John Floyd



For all families who have lost a loved one due to COVID-19. For peace to be restored to our Nation. For ongoing healing.

Continuing Prayer Concerns

Doug Martin Joanne Hightower
Ina Davis Marj Ross Mary Freeman
Herman Humphrey (Jan Humphrey's father)
Carolyn Humphrey (Jan Humphrey's mother)



COKEBURY'S VBS

KNIGHTS OF NORTH CASTLE

GADSDEN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
WWW.FUMCGADSDEN.ORG

JUNE 22-26

9:30 - 11:00AM DAILY
VIRTUAL VBS ON FACEBOOK LIVE

SUPPLY PICK UP:
FRIDAY, JUNE 19 & SUNDAY, JUNE 21
10:00AM-12:00NOON


TO REGISTER, GO TO
2020.COKEBURYVBS.COM/GADSDENFUMC




VBS will take place virtually during the week of June 22-26, beginning at 9:30am. Our theme is *Knights of North Castle: Quest for the King's Armor*, which uses various Bible Studies to build the Armor of God. All participants will receive a Theme T-shirt, Lanyard and Bag, a Bible, a lesson activity book, and all Craft Supplies. These will be picked up at the Portico on a date and time to be announced. Please encourage all the children you know from Pre-K to 5th Grade to participate. Registration is online at 2020.cokesbury.vbs.com/gadsdenfumc.

All Services, Sunday School and Wonderful Wednesday and activities for children are postponed through June 30.

Bible Break: 10 am
Sunday through Friday
Facebook Live






Attention: All Youth, College students, and parents!
 Send a message of encouragement to the youth during this time. You can send Andy a letter, a video message or record yourself singing a song. They will be posted on the GFUMC Facebook page and Instagram pages. Let us encourage one another! You can even send a message to the younger elementary age kids at church! Invite your friends to join us during our zoom meetings too! Don't miss out on the fun!


ELC News

Summer session began June 2nd and will end July 23. We have 28 students participating this summer and have enjoyed getting back to school. ELC Board hopes to host some form of 4K graduation in July. More information to come. Plans are being discussed for the beginning of the Fall 2020-21 school year. *Thanks, Helene*



Sunday & Wednesdays, 6 pm

Join Andy on Facebook Live or Instagram.




United Methodist Women

Pending the opening of restaurants this summer, the plan is to have a "Summer Fun Night" each month so all the ladies can get together for fellowship. This is the normal way to connect during the summer months.
*If you would like to set up a GoToMeeting for your circle, please contact **Sheila Freeman @ 256-490-5018**.*

UMW Online Auction for Local Missions

Gadsden First's UMW is having an online Auction on June 25 from 6 pm to 9 pm to raise money for local missions. This auction will be open for the entire congregation to participate! Each circle is being asked to donate at least 4 items for the auction, including one "higher value" item or basket that can be used for the "Facebook Live" portion of the Auction. We need your help in gathering some great items to donate for the auction. Please contact Eileen Graham or your Circle Leader if you are willing to purchase or create and donate an item for our auction. Several of you might have fun collaborating on a basket to donate! Auction items must be dropped off at the church portico Monday, June 15, between 12 pm and 3 pm. It's going to be a lot of fun and support local missions plus we can support some of our local businesses as we gather items for the auction!





Fruit of the Spirit

When the World is in Chaos

Pastor Andy Yarnell

June 14, 2020

9 am Celebration

11 am Traditions

Facebook Live (video) Broadcast: Search for the church Facebook page: @FUMCGadsden on Facebook. Like or follow GFUMC on Facebook and allow "notifications" in order to receive an alert when the church is broadcasting on FacebookLive.

Live "Audio Only" Broadcast: Go to www.fumcgadsden.org/media and look for the "sermon player".

On Demand Video & Audio of each of the worship services will generally be available on the church app and website within one hour of services.

One, one, one... Challenge!

Our theme for 2020 is #Connect2020. How do we reach out to each other and stay connected when we are in quarantine and being asked to practice social distancing? It's definitely a challenge, and it can be a bit overwhelming to think of the entire scope of this challenge. We can't reach out to *everybody*. But what if we could do for "one" what we wish that we could do for "everyone?"

When Mother Teresa saw the incredible problems on the streets of Calcutta – people being left on the streets to die alone...lepers not receiving care at all – she would say this to herself: *"Ek, ek, ek!"* It is Hindi for *"One, one, one..."* She didn't look at the masses of need. She looked at one. She said, *"I can only love one person at a time – just one, one, one. So you begin. I begin. I picked up one person... Just begin – one, one, one."*

The one, one, one challenge is simple: Make one phone call a day to check on somebody. Just see how they are holding up. Send one text a day to someone just to encourage them. It could be a friend, a family member...anyone whom the Lord puts on your heart. And then write one note a day. It could be a thank-you card, a "thinking-of-you" note...a sticky note you put on your spouse's mirror that reminds them that you care.

Sound simple? It is. Will it make a difference? I believe it will! I would like to see 111 of our church members take the one, one, one challenge. Just think of the power of that connection! If you would like to take this challenge and sign up for one, one, one – please call the church office. I'll be giving updates as we go along. How long will the challenge last? As long as we are being asked to quarantine and practice social distancing. But who knows...we might decide we like doing this so much that we keep it going!

—Pastor Sam

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Call ONE

ONE



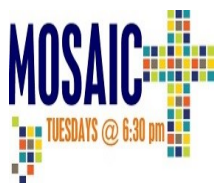
Text ONE

ONE



Write ONE

#GFUMCCONNECT2020



Join Pastor Andy for Mosaic

Come meet with us outside the church in the Green Space area on the corner of Chestnut & 6th Street, Tuesdays @ 6:30 pm!

Journey Groups

All "In-Person" Small Groups are Postponed through June 30.

Watch for updates as some small groups, Sunday school classes and Bible Studies will be offering, FacebookLive or online GoToMeetings.

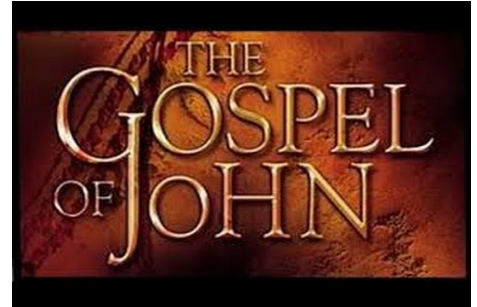
A Study of the Gospel of John

Join Pastor Sam each Wednesday night at 6:00 pm beginning May 27 for a study of the *Gospel of John*.

Facebook Live

Wednesdays @ 6 pm

(You can watch the weekly episodes "on-demand". Each lesson is uploaded to the church app and website following the live broadcast.)



Women's Bible Study

Participants have expressed an interest in doing another study, therefore beginning June 8, I will lead a 7-week study of Priscilla Shirer's, *Armor of God* on Mondays at 6:30pm. Per the participants request, we will use ZOOM as our online platform. Anyone interested in participating in the study can contact the Church Office or contact me directly via e-mail or Facebook.

—Pastor Carrie



GoToMeeting

GoToMeeting is a web-hosted service created and marketed by LogMeIn. It is an online meeting, desktop sharing, and video conferencing software package that enables the user to meet with other computer users, customers, clients or colleagues via the Internet in real time.

This is a super easy way for GFUMC groups to stay connected, meet for fellowship, prayer and Bible Study during this time.

- A GoToMeeting can be joined on your computer, tablet, or smartphone through a web browser or app.
- Participants DO NOT even have to have a computer to be able to participate. A phone number is also provided to call into the meeting.
- Invitations to join the meeting are sent out via email to members.

If your small group or Sunday School Class would be interested in doing a "GoToMeeting" and inviting members to come together online, please contact Sheila Freeman @ 256-490-5018.

We can easily set up a meeting for your small group, circle or Sunday school.
Each group will need to select a moderator or leader and this role can be shared.

Scheduled GoToMeetings:

Sundays, 10:00 am, Living Water Sunday School (Seekers and Martin Fellowship are invited to join, too!)
Tuesday, June 30 at 6:00 pm, Board of Stewards

Email sheila@fumcgadsden.org if you need the link or meeting id.