

**Gadsden
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First United Methodist Church of Gadsden

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 21, 2020

Calendar for June 21-June 27, 2020

June 21, 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 22, Monday, 6:30 pm, Bible Study with Pastor Carrie, via Zoom
June 23, Tuesday, 9:00 am-1:00 pm, ELC Summer Schedule; 6:00-9:00 pm, UMW Auction online; 6:30 pm, Mosaic, outside in the Green Space (corner of 6th & Chestnut)
June 24, Wednesday, 6:00 pm, Online Bible Study with Pastor Sam, Facebook Live; 6:00 pm, Youth via Zoom or Instagram
June 25, Thursday, 9:00 am-1:00 pm, ELC Summer Schedule; 5:30 pm, Thursday Worship, Sanctuary; 7:00 pm, College Group, via Zoom
June 26, Friday, 11:00 am-12:00 pm, Ladle of Love, Sack Lunches, Portico entrance

A MASK is required if you are attending any service or activity at the church. If you do not have one, we have them available for you to use.

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.



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/give 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.

Honorariums and Memorials

General Budget Fund: In memory of Dr. Adrian Chandler given by Diana Rampey. In memory of Mark Swann, Dr. Adrian Chandler, and Dr. Larry Grimes given by Juanita Hammons. In memory of Dr. Larry Grimes and Dr. Adrian Chandler given by Pat Martin. In memory of Dr. Larry Grimes given by Susan Ragland.

Ladle of Love Fund: In memory of Dr. Adrian Chandler and Mark Swann given by Bill & Donna Campbell.

Benevolence Fund: In memory of Mark Swann given by Diana Rampey.

Music Fund: In memory of Jane Trotter, Dr. Adrian Chandler, Dr. Larry Grimes, and Mark Swann given by Sid & Jane Gardner.

Altar Flowers Fund: In memory of Dr. Adrian Chandler given by Jim & Barbara Bennett.



Birthdays.....

Jun 21 Alice Otto,
Larry Payne,
Bentley McClendon
Jun 23 Meg Fleeman,
Eric Wright,
Leland Trotter
Jun 24 Bob McElroy
Jun 25 Carolyn Howren, Sophia Hornik
Jun 26 Peggy Casey, Raymond Lane,
Cortland Phillips, Taylor Smith
Jun 27 Ciara Caldwell, John Freeman



Week of June 14, 2020

Total number of Live viewers 468
Celebration 144 Traditions 153
Mosaic 22 Youth & College 7
Children's Bible Story Break 49
Bible Study Groups (4) 71

General Offering Budget \$15,440.00
General Offering Received \$12,474.00
YTD General Offering Budget \$370,560.00
YTD General Offering Received \$349,645.04
Special Easter Offering: \$8,220.00
Text to Give: 256-344-8464
Online Giving: www.fumcgadsden.org/give

Immediate Prayer Concerns

DeLeath Rives
John Floyd Jane Jones
Ronald Garry



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






ELC News

Summer session began June 2nd and will end July 23rd. 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*

Youth Activities

The amazing students at GFUMC took donuts to the police dispatchers, officers and fire fighters last week. Parents: let us know the plans for band camp, sports practice at your students school. Our youth group will be bringing popsicles and water to the students this summer.

Join us on Wednesday nights @ 6:30pm in the green space.



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

"June 23rd from 6-9 pm" Gadsden First's UMW is having an online Auction to raise money for local missions. This auction will be open for the entire congregation to participate!

There are lots of great items to bid on including a King's Olive Oil Basket, 2 Nights and Brunch at the Fairfield Inn, Lunch at the Lake (Condra's Lake House), Puppy Basket, Cooler with Snacks, Fly Fishing Trip, Handmade Pottery Angels by Karen Owen, Ceramic Light Up Christmas Tree, Homemade Ceramic Nativity Set, Stone Market Gift Card, and more!!

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!





"Our Father"

Pastor Sam Hayes

June 21, 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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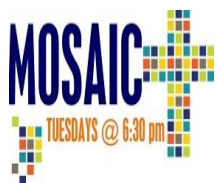
Text ONE

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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.

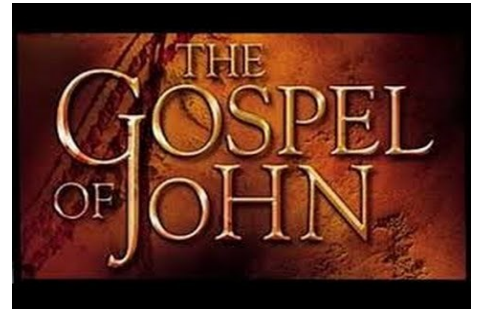
A Study of the Gospel of John

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

PRISCILLA SHIRER
The Armor of God



7-WEEK
BIBLE STUDY

LifeWay

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.