Changing Lives by Sharing Christ, Making Disciples, Serving and Giving Hope

#### 11-6-22 "From One Generation to Another" Sermon Notes

I am writing this on November 1 – "All Saints' Day." This day is not nearly as well known as the day before... "All Hallow' (Saints') Eve" (better known as "Halloween"). That being said, All Saints' day is a far more important day in the life of our church.

Since we can't always count on November 1st hitting on a Sunday, we always celebrate All Saints' Sunday on the first Sunday of November. It is a day that we remember all the saints from FUMC Gadsden who have died since last All Saints' Sunday the year before. We call their names, and light a candle to remember that their light shines still as a beacon for future generations.

You might say, "Wait a minute...United Methodists don't believe in saints, do we?" The answer to that is, "Yes and no." No, in that we don't revere saints in the same way that the Roman Catholic Church does. Yes, in the general sense that the Scriptures refer to all believers as "saints" and God's people. Those are the ones we remember on All Saints' Sunday – those who have run the race, finished the course, and have received the prize waiting for them...and who cheer us on as the "great cloud of witnesses."

This Sunday, we will be talking about how that our faith is always to be passed on from one generation to another. Psalm 145: 1-5 says,

I will extol you, my God and King,

and bless your name forever and ever.

- <sup>2</sup> Every day I will bless you
  - and praise your name forever and ever.
- <sup>3</sup> Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised: his greatness is unsearchable.
- <sup>4</sup> One generation shall extol your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts.
- <sup>5</sup> They will recount the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works I will meditate.

Psalm 145 praises God for attributes such as God's greatness (v.3), his grace, goodness and compassion (vv. 8-9), his glory and might (v.11), his righteousness and kindness (v.17) and his providential care (v.20). How could we not praise a God with these amazing characteristics?! Just as important as our praising God from day to day, is that we pass on the faith from one generation to another. Remember – give thanks – pass it on!

See you Sunday. Pastor Sam



Please join us! The Shaneyfelt Family In Concert 6 pm Sunday, November 6 In the Sanctuary First UMC Gadsden

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#### **Worship Opportunities**

Thursday Worship: 5:30 pm, Sanctuary

#### **Sunday Mornings:**

Celebration, 9 am\* Traditions, 11 am\* \*In Person (Sanctuary) and Online www.fumcgadsden.org/media or on Facebook Live: @FUMCgadsden

#### **ACOLYTES**

November 6:

Silas Hosey, Luke Barnes, & Brooks Bone November 13: Anna Kate Casey & Sara Kate Thornburg

#### **Tech Team Schedule**

(Please arrive 45 minutes prior to the start of the service)

November 6

Celebration: Eric Wright, Bill Haller,

Sheila Freeman

Traditions: Davis Varner, Brad Barnes

November 13

Celebration: Joe Pritchard, Sheila Freeman Traditions: Mark Casey, Parker Casey,

Sheila Freeman



#### November 9, 2022 RSVP by Tuesday at noon.

**Barbecue** 

\$7 per person, \$3 for 11 & Under \$20 Max per family

#### **Advent Small Groups Start Soon**

Prepare Ye The Way for the Lord by Adam Hamilton, Wednesday @ 6 PM, Harriet Murray, 4 Sessions, November 9-December 7

The Journey by Adam Hamilton, Wednesday @ 6 pm, Mark Condra, 5 Sessions, November 9-December 14

Prepare Ye The Way for the Lord by Adam Hamilton, Wednesday Morning @ 11 am, Pastor Sam, 4 Sessions, November 30-December 21

# Out of Town on the Weekend? Come to Thursday Worship! 5:30 to 6:00 pm each week In the Sanctuary

#### **Bible Study with Pastor Sam**

**Wednesday Mornings** 

11 am In Person Bible Study

Gathering Room, 201 The Book of Acts

Facebook Live @ 6 pm or on demand-via the FUMC APP or website

> 6:00 pm Small Groups Harriet Murray – Room 110

### Men at the Well Thursday Mornings 7:00 am

You are invited to join the weekly Bible study with the Men at the Well small group. They are currently meeting at the Choice Restaurant. "A Guide to Prayer for All Who Seek God" by Norman Shawchuck and Rueben P. Job.

Contact Todd Rains, Mark Condra, Mark Casey, or any of the Men at the Well for more information.

## RECONNECT with the Sunday School Class of Your Choice!

- Living Waters Sunday School Class, "Everybody's Normal Till You Get to Know Them", by John Ortberg, Room 112, In person and online. Contact a member of the class for the link to join online!
- Martin Fellowship Class, International Bible Studies, Room 116
- Muti-Age Sunday School, with Eric Wright and Harriet Murray, Room 208
- Pathfinders Class is currently meeting with the Multi-Age Sunday School Class, Room 208



#### Sign Up to Receive Emails from the Church

Sign up to receive emails from the church including the Weekly News, Devotionals, Ministry and Mission Notes, and Sermon Notes.

Go to: http://www.fumcgadsden.org/sign-up-to-receive-emails
Need Help: Contact Sheila Freeman @ 256-490-5018

#### **ELC News**

This past Monday, students, parents and faculty enjoyed the annual Halloween Parade. Special thanks to FUMC ministerial and front office staff as well as Lynne Frederick and Harriet Murray. The ELC will dismiss at 11:15 on Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> for all families to attend Gadsden's annual Veteran's Day Parade.

Helene Haller



#### **Youth Ministry News**

Wonderful Wednesdays are back!

Dinner at 5:15, please make a reservation!

Sunday School is back for Youth! Room 210 10 am on Sunday mornings.

**November 23** The youth and youth parents will be helping with the CommUnity Thanksgiving preparation from 10:00am -12:00pm.

December 31st-New Year's Eve- Lock-in at the church.

—Pastor Andy

Wonderful Wednesday Fellowship Dinner—Don't forget to make a reservation by Tues. @ noon.

November 9—Barbecue \$7 Per person, \$3 for Under 11 Max \$20 per Family

## Children's Ministry







LET'S HAVE THE LONGEST TABLE OF FRIENDS AND FOOD!
BRING A FRIEND AND A SNACK TO SHARE!

"WHEN YOU HAVE MORE THAN YOU NEED, BUILD A LONGER TABLE"-UNKNOWN

#### **November Mission Focus**

#### **CommUnity Thanksgiving Meal**

It is that time of year when we begin preparing for the **CommUnity Thanksgiving** event. As in the past, our church will provide the money to purchase the desserts for the meal. They are planning on feeding 8,000 people this year. We are going to have individually wrapped Cakes (Little Debbie) for the pick-up and delivered meals. Then, the usual pound cakes for those eating in the Venue. If you would like



to make a donation, please send a check or e-give and mark it for CommUnity Thanksgiving. Donations of approximately \$1200.00 are needed to provide these cakes. Thanks, as always, for your unending generosity! There will also be an opportunity for you to sign up to volunteer prior to Thanksgiving Day to slice cakes or help in other ways.

# Thanksgiving Food Drive No

#### **Thanksgiving Bags for Salvation Army**

Now is the time to fill a bag with non-perishable groceries for a family who has applied through Salvation Army for help with a meal for Thanksgiving. The bags are located at each entrance to the sanctuary and in the Chestnut Street lobby for you to pick up. The deadline to return them is Nov. 16.

**List of Suggested Items** (You don't need to purchase every item on the list.)

- Canned Hams (Make sure does not need refrigeration.)
- · Canned Chicken or Tuna
- Flour, Sugar, Corn Meal Mix, Rice, Pasta, Instant Potatoes
- Canned Pumpkin & Cranberries, and other Canned Fruits & Vegetables
- Jell-O and Pudding Mixes, Cereals, Crackers, Cake Mixes & Canned Frosting
- Canned or Powdered Milk, Tea Bags, Coffee

#### **UMW News**

November **UMW Luncheon** will be **November 14th** at 12:00 noon. The cost is \$15.00 per person. Our guest speaker will be Lori Lee with Rococo Floral Studio. There will be a door prize! Bring a guest! Call your lunch reservation in to Delores Abney by noon on Friday, November 4th. 256-458-0376

#### **UMW Bake Sale** Sunday, November 20

It's back! We are going to have casseroles, cakes, pies and more for everyone to buy for Thanksgiving, etc. for sale in the Chestnut Street Lobby Look for us between the worship services until gone! All proceeds go to missions. All ladies need to bring 3 items to sell.

#### 1st Advent Sunday, November 27

Our beautiful Chrismon Tree will be put up on Monday, November 21. We will be fluffing our "new tree" beginning at 10:00 am. We will go to lunch at Gadsden Variety at noon, then we will come back to put the Chrismons on the tree at 1:00 pm. LuVerna Waid Circle members, we need you. The Peggy Casey Circle has been asked to help also.

Thank you in advance for coming to help decorate our new tree so it can be ready on Sunday, November 27th.

-Barbara Bennett, President

#### **GFUMC**



"By this all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." **John 13:35** 

# Clothes Closet Workdays

1st & 3rd Tuesdays

**Open to Public** 

1st & 3rd Wednesdays

October dates are:

tes are: 10/5 and 10/19

9:00 am to 11:00 am

516 Broad Street Gadsden

#### **Ladle of Love**

Fridays, 11:00am-12:00pm, at the Portico entrance.

Clients served in October 2022

Ladle of Love 372 Clothes Closet 237

Thank you to all our volunteers for their time and service to these missions!

Find out more about mission and service opportunities @ www.fumcgadsden.org/serve

Phone: 256-543-8200

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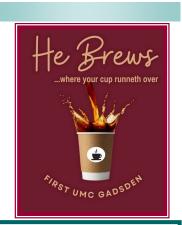
fumc@fumcgadsden.org

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# Inviting Ministries

Please join us for HeBrews Coffee Café Between the Sunday morning worship services, from 10 am to 11 am.









First United Methodist Church of Gadsden

Available in App Stores







Search: First UMC-Gadsden



MONTHLY LUNCH/BRUNCH AT 12:30 FOLLOWING TRADITIONAL SERVICE.

Sunday, November 6 at Villa Fiesta All Young Adults and Families Welcome!











#### **Generosity: Ways to Give**

www.fumcgadsden.org/give

Text to Give: 256-344-8464

Mail your tithe or gift: 115 S. 5th Street Gadsden, AL 35901



#### Calendar for November 6-12, 2022

#### Nov 6, Sunday All Saint's Day

9:00 am Celebration Service, Sanctuary 10:00 am Sunday School; HeBrews Coffee Ministry 11:00 am Traditional Service, Sanctuary

#### 6:00 pm, The Shaneyfelt Family, Music Concert

#### Nov 7, Monday

9:00 am-1:00 pm ELC Fall Schedule 9:00 am-10:00 am Exercise Group, Gym

#### Nov 8, Tuesday

9:00 am-1:00 pm ELC Fall Schedule 5:00 pm Yoga, Gym



#### Nov 9, Wednesday

9:00 am-1:00 pm ELC Fall Schedule

11:00am Bible Study Room 208 (Facebook Live @ 6pm)

5:15 pm Wednesday Night meal, Gathering Room

6:00 pm Adult Bible Study, Room 208 and 110

6:00 pm Children activities, Room 108

6:00 pm Youth activities, Gym & Room 211

6:00 pm Choir Practice, Choir Room

#### Nov 10, Thursday

9:00 am-1:00 pm ELC Fall Schedule 9:00 am-10:00 am Exercise Group, Gym 5:30 pm Thursday Worship, Sanctuary

#### **Nov 11 Friday**

11:00 am-12:00 pm Ladle of Love

# In Memory of His Life Alex Lafayette Holtsford October 27, 2022



#### **ROBBIE'S OF FAYETTE TRUNK SHOW**

Tues. November 15th 10:00am-3:00pm
Gathering Room Come and shop with us just in time for Christmas! A Portion of your purchase benefits the GFUMC Children's Ministry!

#### **Honorariums and Memorials**

#### **General Budget Fund**

In memory of Gail Linton, given by Clothes Closet volunteers. In memory of Alex Holtsford, given by Evelyn & Glen Pierson. In memory of Alex Holtsford, given by Shelley Burch.

#### Ladle of Love Fund

In memory of Judy Dressman, given by Diana Rampey.



#### **Immediate Prayer Concerns**

The Family of Alex Holtsford Pat Martin Jackie Herlong

#### **Continued Prayer Concerns**

Jerry Casey June Longshore John Jones (Dottie Roger's son)

#### **Birthdays**

Nov 6 Sheila Ford, Maddi Frickey

Nov 7 Alison McCoy

Nov 8 Dee Grimes, Hunter Skipper

Nov 9 Jane Ann Gann, Lynn Page,

Oliver Wright, Andrew Woodall

Nov 10 Katharine Barnes

Nov 11 Sherre McGinnis

Nov 12 Paul McIntyre, Bart Scott,

Scott Skipper, Roger Mills,

**Emily Lindsey** 

# Please update your family's record in the church office to include all dates of birth. Thank you! General YTD Ge



#### Week of October 30, 2022

In Person Total \*126 Online 309
Worship Total 435 Thursday Worship \*8
Celebration Service \*61/141
Traditional Worship \*57/168
Adult Sunday School \*25/4 Children \*2
Bible Study Groups \*27/33
Children \*14 Youth \*18 Nursery \*4
Total Small Group Attendance \*76/37
\*In Person

General Offering Budget \$13,175.00 General Offering Received \$9,629.00 YTD General Offering Budget \$579,700.00 YTD General Offering Rec'd \$561,699.00

Text to Give: 256.344.8464

#### Update Your Contact Information

Please help us update the membership records in the church office with your current mailing address, phone number, email address and birthdays for all family members.

Updates may be sent to susan@fumcgadsden.org or call Susan @ 256-543-8200.