

First United Methodist Church of Gadsden

**Gadsden First
News**

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



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115 So. 5th St. Gadsden, AL 35901

October 20, 2019

Calendar for October 20– October 26, 2019

Oct 20, Sunday, **Children's Sabbath Sunday;**

8:45 am, Celebration Service, Gym; 10:00 am, Sunday School;
10:55 am, Traditional Service, Sanctuary

Oct 21, Monday, 9:00-1:00 pm, ELC; 9:00 am, Exercise Group,
Gym; **6:00 pm, District Pastor Appreciation Dinner, Gym**

Oct 22, Tuesday, 9:00-1:00 pm, ELC; 5:00 pm, Yoga, Gym; 6:30 pm, Mosaic, Back Forty

Oct 23, Wednesday, 9:00-1:00 pm, ELC; 12:15 pm, Prayer Team, Sanctuary;

5:00-7:00 pm, Fall Fest, Gym, Gathering Room, and 2nd Floor

Oct 24, Thursday, 9:00-1:00 pm, ELC; 9:00 am, Exercise Group, Gym;

5:30 pm, Thursday Worship, Sanctuary **Oct 25, Friday, 11:00-12:30 pm, Ladle of Love**

R & R Luncheon Oct. 28 at 12:00 noon in the gym

Special Guests will be Gadsden State Acappello Choir



Serving This Sunday

Sound Tech: Mike Self

Ushers:* Casey & Miller Wigley,
Ben, Max, & Jack Carr, Will & Jack
Brookshire, Mark & Parker Casey,
Danny & Noah Sherrouse

Greeters: Claire, Laney Claire & Camille
Wigley, Jennifer & Sara Kate Brookshire,
Allison & Anna Kate Casey; Cindy, Marit &
Mikko Norris; Jennifer & Kennedy Jackson

Acolytes: Parker Casey, Miller Wigley

No Children's Church

Memorials and Honoraria

General Budget Fund: In memory of Jane Trotter given by Glen & Evelyn Pierson.

Howell Erwin Medical Fund: In memory of Jane Trotter given by Sonya Nesbitt.

Homebound/Caring Angels: In memory of Jane Gomillion given by Bonnie Elaine Smothers.

Altar Flowers Fund: In memory of Jane Gomillion and Jane Trotter given by Jim & Barbara Bennett.
In memory of Jane Trotter given by Alex Holtsford and family.

Music Fund: In memory of Jane Gomillion given by Diana Rampey. In memory of Jane Trotter,
Sarah Shew, and Dewey Stansell given by DeLeath & Gloria Rives.

Immediate Prayer Concerns

Marj Ross
Joanne Hightower
Family of John Wiggins

Continuing Prayer Concerns

Bill Haller, Jr. Ormond Grimes
Ellen Cummans Ina Davis
John Robert (Bobby) McElroy, Jr.
Gloria Vickery (Chris Thrasher's sister)
Herman Humphrey (Jan Humphrey's Father)
Carolyn Humphrey (Jan Humphrey's Mother)

*Gadsden First United Methodist
extends Christian Sympathy to
John and Denise Floyd in the death
of her father
John Mouzon Wiggins
October 16, 2019*



Text to Give: 256-344-8464
Online Giving @ www.fumcgadsden.org/give

Week of October 13, 2019

Total Attendance	351	Tradition	120
Mosaic	18	Thursday	20
Celebration	85	Online	6
Blessing of the Animals	102		
Volunteer Service Hours	104		
People Served	208		
General Offering Budget	\$14,879.00		
General Offering Received	\$12,430.00		
YTD General Offering Budget	\$610,039.00		
YTD General Offering Received	\$588,714.04		

Birthdays.....

Oct 20 Bubba Masters, Dane Hyatt,
Reagan Mullin, Allison Haller
Oct 21 Bess Estis, Mandell Tillman,
Zackery Jones
Oct 23 Jack Brookshire,
Hadley Hedgspeth
Oct 24 Sonya Nesbitt, Jennifer Brookshire,
Samuel Dabbs, Anna Kate Casey,
Josephine Leach
Oct 25 Paige Whitt, Susan Whitt, Philips Leach,
Haley Goodwyn
Oct 26 Qwintan Brothers



Welcome to God's Family!



Holy Baptism

October 13, 2019

*John Henry
Darden
&
Josie Anne
Darden*

Sunday's Schedule

8:45 am, Celebration
10:00 am, Sunday School
10:55 am, Traditional Service

Monday-Thursday

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

Monday

9:00 am, Exercise Group, Gym

Tuesday

5:00 pm, Yoga, Gym

6:30 pm, Mosaic, Back Forty

Wednesday

11:00 am Wednesday Bible Study

5:15 pm Wednesday Night Meal

6:00 pm Adult Journey Groups;

Children's Journey Groups

6:00 pm Choir Practice

Thursday

9:00 am, Exercise Group, Gym

5:30 pm Thursday Worship

Friday

11:00-12:30 pm, Ladle of Love

Church Office

256-543-8200

GADSDEN FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
FALL FEST WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23
 5:00 - 7:00 PM
GAMES
 CHILI AND HOT DOGS
 JOIN US FOR:
CANDY BOUNCY HOUSE & SLIDE
 FACE PAINTING MUSIC
 115 S. 5TH STREET, GADSDEN, AL  ALL ARE WELCOME!
 WWW.FUMCGADSDEN.ORG

Fall Fest Volunteers Needed!

Volunteers are needed to work the games and activities at this year's Fall Fest! **Sign up** is available in the **Chestnut Street Lobby** or through your **Sunday School Class** or you can **call or text Pastor Carrie Jones @ 256-872-6758** or email: carrie@fumcgadsden.org

Everyone Invited!

Fall Fest is fun for all ages!

Don't forget to invite your friends and family!

Come and Celebrate!

This Sunday, October 20th is **Children's Sabbath!**

We will celebrate ALL the amazing ministries Gadsden First UMC does with and for children!—in both of our Sunday morning Worship services! Find out more on page 3

WORSHIP BAGS
 are available for children!
 Please pick them up from the black buckets and return them after the service.



Sunday Mornings:

Sunday School 10 am

Preschool-Nursery-Room 115

Grades K-1st-2nd-Room 114, Grades 3rd-4th-5th-Room 106

No Children's Church- October 20



Youth Sunday School, 10 am-Rm 211

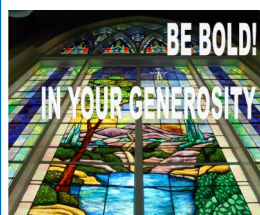
The Book of John

Youth Group, Wednesdays, 6 pm

"Dare to Dream"

October 23rd - Check with Andy to volunteer @ Fall Fest

October 30th- Youth Halloween Party @ Wonderful Wednesday



BE BOLD! 2020

It's not too late! Please return your promise card with your estimate of giving for 2020, as soon as possible so that it can be counted. **So far we have reached 50.4% of our goal for 2020!**

Thank you for supporting your church with your worship, growth, hospitality, mission & service and your generosity. **Because you give**, we are able to do amazing ministries in our community — ministries like *Ladle of Love*, *Clothes Closet*, supporting students and teachers at *Striplin Elementary*, helping support awesome community programs like *C.L.I.C.K.*, *Love Center*, and *211*. **Because you give** we are able to do new outreach ministries like *Mosaic*, reaching new people in new ways with the love of Christ! **Because you give** we are able to make plans to *expand* our already-great children ministry, youth ministry, music and missions.

Promise Cards Received: 74

Total Pledged: \$391,869

—Pastor Sam

Senior Pastor

—Jay Hedgspeth

Generosity Team Chair

Volunteer Opportunity! Mountain Lakes District Pastor Appreciation Dinner

When: October 21 at 6:00 pm Where: GFUMC Gym

This event is sponsored by the District to honor pastors and spouses. It will be hosted by our church. Volunteers are needed to help with set up, serving, and clean up. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Sandra Hill at 256-478-0002 or email bitbit4@bellsouth.net, in advance of the event.

You would need to arrive at 5:30 and should be through by 7:30.

UMW

November UMW

Luncheon will be

Monday, November 11th.

Information about all our

UMW circles and what they are doing is available in the Chestnut Street Lobby entrance. If you are already attending a circle, please invite someone to come with you that is not attending. Remember to **"BE BOLD"** in your hospitality.



R & R

October 28

11:00 am

Come and be a part of

Retired and Ready. Our guests will be the Show Choir from Gadsden State Community College. Due to the amount of people and sound needed, we will meet in the gym. Enjoy lunch and fellowship. Contact Donna Campbell at 256-492-9475 for reservations by October 23..



Caring Angels Information for October 2019



Hello Visiting Angels:

The October cards and gifts are ready for you to pick up in the church office in the reception area. This is a card for Halloween and some Halloween candy. Thank you for all you do for our home-bound church members.

Thank you, *Eileen Graham*

Wednesday Morning Bible Study



will not meet on Wednesday, October 23.

(*Bible study resumes October 30)

Wonderful Wednesday Dinner and Small Groups and Activities will resume on Wednesday, October 30.

Come and enjoy the

Fall Fest and Chili Supper

on Wednesday, October 23 from 5-7 pm!

Children's Sabbath

A Celebration of Children's Ministry

Sunday, October 20

Both Worship Services

On Sunday, October 20 during both Worship Services, we will celebrate ALL the amazing ministries Gadsden First United Methodist Church does with & for children – Children's Church, Sunday School, Wednesday Worship, the Nursery, The Early Learning Center, Striplin Elementary School, and the CLICK After-School Program. Children will serve in various ways during Worship, they will sing in the Traditions Service, and we will collect a special offering for our two Children's Mission Ministries,



CHILDREN'S
MINISTRY



Striplin & CLICK. **The goal for this offering is \$4000.**

For Striplin, this will support A/B Honor Roll Parties, Teacher of the Month Gifts, Perfect Attendance Awards, PTO Sponsorships, and the Teacher Appreciation Luncheon. For CLICK, this will support daily, nutritious snacks for the entire school year. This will replace the monthly collections made by small groups last year. It is sure to be a meaningful & special time of worship! We hope to see you there!



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FEST GAMES



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