

FIRST NEWS

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

JANUARY SERVERS

9:00

11:00

Ushers

Acolytes

January 6 Berkley Chambers
January 13 Cayden Powell
January 20 Mary Boyd Robinson
January 27

Ann Thomas Luke
Jack Lipscomb
Rachel Daniels
Charlie Martens

Crucifiers

January 6 John Farish Ard
January 13 Laura Grace King
January 20 Caleb Powell
January 27 Emory Dunn

Reid Hines
John David Brewton
Brooks Wiggins
Drew Sims

*If you are unable to serve as scheduled above, PLEASE remember that you are responsible for getting a substitute and **advising the church office of the change before noon on the previous Wednesday.***

Altar Guild

Melissa Lipscomb

Altar Flowers

January 6 —Dr. David Stallworth
January 13—Forester & Sammye Long
January 20—
January 27—

SUNDAY WORSHIP MUSIC SCHEDULE

9:00

11:00

January 6	Chancel Choir	Solo
January 13	Chancel Choir	Ensemble
January 20	Chancel Choir	Ensemble
January 27	Ensemble	Chancel Choir

CALENDAR OF EVENT

- 1 New Years Day—Office Closed**
- 13 Estate & Will Planning informational meeting**
(10 am) - Barnett Hall
Fellowship Lunch (12:00 N) - Wesley Hall
- 20 Men's Club Breakfast (8 am) - Barnett Hall**
- 21 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day—office closed**



Terri Turner, Executive Director of the Alabama-West Florida Conference United Methodist Foundation, will be hold a discussion on Estate and Will Planning **Sunday, January 13th at 10:00 am in Barnett Hall**

Terri Turner has been the Executive Director of the Alabama-West Florida Conference United Methodist Foundation since 1991, currently overseeing \$76 million in assets for churches. A graduate of Florida State University, Terri spent 13 years in the investment brokerage business and finds her expertise as a financial consultant very helpful in counseling with church members and churches. Responsibilities with the Foundation include overseeing the administration and investment management of permanent gifts and church funds as well as developing programs throughout the conference to encourage good stewardship of God's gifts.

There are still spots available to sign up as an Usher for our 9:00 and 11:00 services in 2019—see sign up sheet in the Narthex

Children & Youth



Keep up to date on upcoming events on our website, Instagram and Facebook pages!



10-12 year olds meet on
Wednesdays from 4:00-5:00 pm

CHILDREN(K5-5th graders) will meet on Sunday nights
in January from 5:00-6:00 pm

YOUTH (6th-12th graders) will meet on Sundays in
January from 5:00-7:00 pm

YOUTH PRAYER BREAKFASTS: AJ's—Wednesday
mornings in January at 6:45 am



When: February 1-3, 2019

Who: 3rd-5th graders

What: Grab your friends and come enjoy your favorite camp activities, great Bible studies, and more—at your favorite camp—in the Winter!

How Much: \$100

How to Register: see Pam

Youth Ski Retreat

Youth are planning a ski retreat to Wolf Ridge, NC February 15-18, 2019. Cost is \$325 and includes lodging, bus transportation, food, lift tickets and ski/board rentals

January Fellowship

Winter is here and let's take off the chill! Join us for a soup pot luck for lunch. Let's share assorted soups and enjoy the warmth of fellowship! Please bring your favorite recipe of soup, cornbread, or dessert following the 11:00 service in Wesley Hall. Bring a friend to share the meal—we always have plenty!

A Word From Our Pastor

First **United Methodist** Church
Is a Place....

Where the gentle hand of God touches the wounded hearts of people.

Where guilt & shame do not live.

Where we are wanting to make room for others who might wish to worship here.

Where we are seeking to live in an ever-changing relationship with each other & our community.

“Go Tell It On The Mountain” that Jesus, the Christ lives here and in us in 2019

Notes from Nancy

MANY THANKS to everyone who made the Advent and Christmas Season so meaningful...

To the singers and ringers, I appreciate the sacrifice of your time, and your willingness to be a part of the Choirs in our church. Your dedication to the music of First United Methodist Church means so much to so many people both in our church and in our community.

To the Worship Committee and Altar Guild, thank you for making the Sanctuary ready for Advent Worship and for making sure that we had families in place to light the Advent Wreath.

To all who have helped to share the love of Christ and the joy of Christmas, let us remember our work is not done. Now we must continue to share the song of God's Grace!

CHANCEL CHOIR will resume rehearsals on January 9th

ENSEMBLE rehearsals resume on January 6th

CHANCEL BELLS will begin rehearsals again on January 9th

DISCIPLE **FAST TRACK** BIBLE STUDY FOR BUSY LIVES

The Winter/Spring 12 week session of Disciple Fast Track will be a study of Luke and Acts.

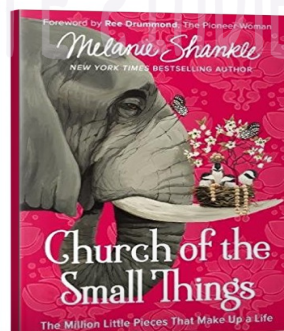
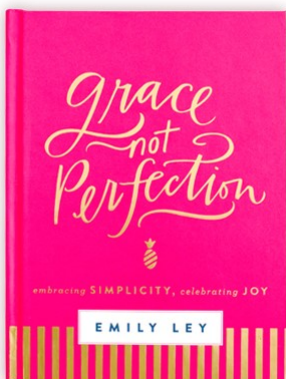
We will meet at 5:00 PM, Monday, January 14, 2019 to decide the best day and time to meet. Please contact Pam Barnhardt, Micheal Ard, or Hunter Lindblom for further information.

**MEN'S
BREAKFAST**
Sunday, January 20 | 8am | Barnett Hall

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

Starting
Wednesday, January 9th

Wednesday mornings at 9:30 am—
join us as we start a new study
“Grace, Not Perfection” by Emily
Ley



Starting
Wednesday, January 9th

Wednesday evenings at 5:15 pm—
join us as we start a new study
“Church of the Small Things” by
Melanie Shankle

2019 Church Council

Church Council Chair	Misty Powell
Church Council Vice-Chair	Bill Rainey
Church Council Secretary	Bridget Glidewell
Lay Leader	Collins Brown
Lay Delegate to Annual Conference	Laura King
Lay Delegate to Annual Conference	Micheal Ard
Alternate Delegate	Sebrena Moncus
Board of Trustees Chair	*Elected by Trustees
Committee on Finance Chair	Al Brewton
Church Treasurer	Jonathan Dick
Staff-Parish Relations Committee Chair	Belinda Dorrance
Sunday School Superintendent	Mike Cobb/Ben Johnston
Evangelism	Rosemary Johnston
Missions	Karen Robinson/Sherry Daniels
Worship	Karen Robinson
Kitchen Committee	Beth Barnes
Care Ministries Coordinator	Christi Dunn
Disaster Response Coordinator (Home Area)	Corey Barnes
Wills and Legacies	Milton Coxwell
Young Adult Member	Charlie Martens
Youth Member	John Farish Ard
Memorial Committee Chair	Penelope Hines
UMM President	Al Brewton

Church Staff

Pastor (Ex-Officio member of all committees)	Bill Curtin
Minister of Education and Youth	Pam Barnhardt
Music Coordinator/Organist	Nancy Carleton
Business Manager	Jessica Hankins
Pastor Emeritus	Thomas L. Butts
Nursery Director	Christ Dunn

Board of Trustees

Class of 2019:	Rick Dorrance, Trent Hughes, Sage Smith
Class of 2020:	Stacey Countryman, Tom Tate, Marcus Montgomery
Class of 2021:	Beth Barnes, Zac Chambers, Stacey McKenzie
	<i>Ex-officio: Wednesday Man</i>

Staff-Parish Relations Committee

Class of 2019	Jim Davis, Belinda Dorrance (Chair), Bradley Martens
Class of 2020:	Will Coxwell, Allison Montgomery, Boyd Robinson
Class of 2021:	Michael Lee, Kathy Ellis, Jim Lipscomb
	<i>Ex-officio members with vote: Collins Brown (Lay Leader)</i>
	<i>and Laura King/Micheal Ard (LMAC/Delagate)</i>

Nominating Committee

Chair: Pastor

Class of 2019:	Emily Williams, Bill Fleming, Bridget Glidewell
Class of 2020:	Christi Wiggins, Sebrena Moncus, Rick Dorrance
Class of 2021:	Katie Lee, Melissa Lipscomb, Shannon McKenzie
	<i>Ex-officio member with vote: Collins Brown (Lay Leader)</i>

Finance Committee

Chair	Al Brewton
Treasurer	Jonathan Dick
Assistant Treasurer	Kermit Brown
Lay Leader	Collins Brown
LM-AC	Laura King/Micheal Ard
Church Council Chair	Misty Powell
Staff-Parish Relations Chair	Belinda Dorrance
Trustees Chair	*Elected by Trustees
Business Manager	Jessica Hankins
At-Large Members	Milton Coxwell, Jack Whetstone, Jodi Chambers, Bill Fleming

Scholarship Committee

Class of 2019:	Sandi Sims, Joy Whetstone
Class of 2020:	Lindsey Coxwell, Collins Brown
Class of 2021:	Wes Hines, Kay English
	Misty Powell (Church Council Chair); Penelope Hines (Memorials Chair)

Memorials Committee

Chair	Penelope Hines
Trustees Chair	*Elected by Trustees
Finance Chair	Al Brewton
Worship Chair	Karen Robinson

Education Committee

Children's Ministries	Collins Henderson
Youth Ministries	Scott Daniels
Adult Ministries	Penelope Hines
Higher Education	Stacey McKenzie
Older Adult Ministries	Mary Ann Brown
UM Children's Home Rep	Misty Powell

Fellowship Ministries Coordinator Christi Dunn

January Birthdays

- 1 Al Brewton
- 2 Phillip Ward
- 3 Billy Rainey
- 4 Dr. Jack Whetstone
- 5 Cindy Kennedy; Chris Smith
- 7 Dawn Hare; Nick Johnson
- 8 Nancie Robinson
- 9 Ray Owens; Betty Bratcher
- 14 Corey Barnes
- 15 Grayson Simmons; Diane Watson;
Sammy Long
- 16 Victoria Powell
- 17 Don More; Ann Elizabeth King
- 18 Tommy Tate; Gail Foukal
- 19 Ali Daniels
- 22 Ann Walker
- 23 Rosemary Robertson; Trey Carter
- 25 Kathy Ellis
- 26 Stacey Countryman

Please let us know if we left anyone out

FUMC CHURCH STAFF

Rev. William Curtin	Senior Pastor
Dr. Thomas L. Butts	Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Pam Barnhardt	Minister of Education
Nancy Carleton	Director of Music Ministries/Organist
Jessica Hankins	Church Business Manager
Christi Dunn	Nurse Director

Regular Church Service

Sunday:

9:00 am Morning Worship
 10:00 am Sunday School/
 CoffeeJam
 11:00 am Morning Worship
 4:00 pm Ensemble
 5:00 pm Children/UMYF

Wednesday:

9:00 am Wednesday Men
 9:30 am Ladies Bible Study
 4:00 pm Double Digit Disciples
 5:15 pm Ladies Bible Study
 6:00 pm Chancel Bells
 6:30 pm Men's Bible Study
 7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Monday:

1:00 pm Ladies Sewing Group
 5:00 pm Adult bible study

Thursday:

10:00 am Adult Coffee Time

