

This week at a glance

Today	
October 5	-Traditional Worship Services, 8:30 & 11:00 AM, Sanctuary -New Song Celebration, 9:35 AM, Wesley Worship Center -Chapel Church, 10:00 AM, Chapel -Chapel Communion, 10:45 AM, Chapel -Exalt, 11:00 AM, Wesley Worship Center -Sunday School, 9:35 AM, Wesley Center and MB -Church Library Open, 8:00 AM-12:15 PM, 2nd Floor MB -Book Store Open, 9:00-11:00 AM, Wesley Center -Prayer Circles, 8:45 AM, Chapel -Adult Handbells, 4:00-5:30 PM, MB 212 -First Groups (Everitt)- 4:00-5:30 PM, MB 129 -First Groups (Bowman)- 5:00-6:30 PM, MB 125 -Alpha, 5:15-7:45 PM, MB 300 -In His Steps First Group, 5:30-7:00 PM -First Groups (Gibbs)- 6:00-7:30 PM, MB 125
Monday	
October 6	-Church Growth Committee Meeting, 5:30-7:00 PM, MB 113 -Trustees Regular Meeting, 6:00-7:00 PM -Boy Scout Troop 15, 7:00 PM, WC Scout Room
Tuesday	
October 7	-Prayer and Care Group, 10:00 AM, MB 125 -Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1:00 PM, Parlor -Living in the Kingdom Parables, 6:00-7:30 PM, MB 129
Wednesday	
October 8	-S.A.G.E.S, 9:30-11:00 AM, MB 129 -Church Library Open, 2:00-4:00 PM, MB -Disciple 1, 5:45-8:15 PM, MB 129 -Heavenly Honkers, 6:00-7:00 PM, MB 221 -Cook's Men's First Group, 6:00-7:30 PM -First Family Singers, 6:00-7:30 PM, MB 214 -God's Garage Band Rehearsal, 6:00-8:00 PM, WC 203 -Sewing First Group, 6:00-8:00 PM, MB 128 -Exalt Band Practice, 6:00-10:00 PM, WWC -W.O.W. Women of the Word, 6:00-7:30 PM, WC 216 -Parables of Jesus Study, 6:00-7:30 PM, MB 310 -Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, 7:00-8:30 PM, MB
Thursday	
October 9	-First Groups (Lynne's Ladies'), 9:00-11:00 AM, MB 129 -New UMW Circle Forming, 11:00 AM, WC -GO Team Prayer Time, 12:00 PM, Chapel -Safety and Security, 5:45 PM, Conference Room -Children's Ministry Food Packing, 6:00-7:30 PM, WC 117 -New Song Rehearsal, 6:30 PM, Wesley Worship Center
Friday	
October 10	-Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7:30 AM WC Fellowship Hall
Saturday	
October 11	-Have a great weekend!

Financial and Attendance Reports

Annual Budget	\$2,261,598.00	\$660,705.86
09/28/2014	Ministry Budget	Building Fund
Received This Sunday	\$34,249.92	\$12,029.00
Needed Each Week	\$43,492.27	\$12,705.88
Received Year to Date	\$1,525,368.32	\$413,979.84
Needed to Date	\$1,652,706.23	\$482,823.51
Over/(Short) to Date	-\$127,337.91	-\$68,843.67
Spent Year to Date	\$1,517,206.86	\$390,454.37

Faith Promise

Pledged for Faith Promise 2014/2015:\$116,253
 Received to date for 2014-15 Faith Promise:\$50,989.74
 The GO budget is available for review online at www.huntsvillefirst.org. Look under the "Global Outreach" tab.
 If you have any questions about how Faith Promise funds will be distributed to our mission partners, please contact John Bailey.

Attendance	Attendance Last Week	Average Attendance
Worship Services	968	1031
Sunday School	425	404

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Office Hours

Monday - Thursday from 8:30 AM until 4 PM
 Fridays from 8:30 AM until NOON
 Sundays from 8 AM until 12:30 PM



If you do not intend to take your worship bulletin and insert with you today, please place them in the designated baskets found in the worship areas so that they may be recycled.



A weekly publication of announcements and events

October 5, 2014



C.U. P. OPEN HOUSE!

Everyone is invited to the C.U.P. (Churches United for People) Open House TODAY from 9:30 to 11:00 in the Parlor to celebrate the C.U.P. Ministry that has been helping our neighbors in need for 25 YEARS!!

This is a home grown ministry funded by YOUR contributions that you bring to the altar every time you take communion or make a donation to C.U.P. in honor or memory of a loved one. C.U.P. helps those that are down on their luck by assisting them when their utilities that are about to be cut off or they are about to be evicted from their home.

By giving to C.U.P. you are showing God's love, compassion, grace and mercy to those less fortunate in our community. We reach out to the poor and needy as were commanded to do by Christ and as our on vision commands—"to influence our community to know Christ".

In the last 9 months C.U.P. has helped 263 families and there are still more in need. We ask as you share in the gift of Communion today that you think about giving generously to this special ministry!

HAPPY 206th BIRTHDAY HFUMC!!

Huntsville First United Methodist Church has been "influencing this community to know Christ" for 206 years.

Happy Birthday Huntsville First United Methodist Church!

Celebrate this special occasion with a print of the historic church suitable for framing by our very own, Lee Harless. The prints are available for purchase for \$10 in the church office and church library. All proceeds will go to the United Methodist Women Missions.

Notices

Upcoming Events

Mark Your Calendar and Save the Date

For more upcoming events check out our calendar at www.huntsvillefirst.org

- WoW! Women of the Word Prayer Bootcamp - October 17
- UMW Meeting and Sandwich Luncheon- October 20
- Night at Tate Farms- October 22
- Confirmation Service- November 2

Women's Night Out- Friday, Oct. 17th

All women are invited to join us for our Prayer Boot Camp! 5:30pm – 8:30pm in the Wesley Worship Center of HFUMC. We will be hearing from Suzanne Matthews as she focuses on 'Lord, teach us to pray.' Luke 11:1. You don't want to miss this! To RSVP, go to the church website (www.huntsvillefirst.org then go to 'Ministry', then 'Adult Faith Development' then 'W.O.W'). The cost is \$25. That includes dinner, speaker, childcare, goodie bag, and more! For more information or questions, contact Marla Wood at marla@huntsvillefirst.org or 539-5738.

UMW Meeting and Luncheon

All women of the church are invited to attend the Annual United Methodist Women's Meeting and sandwich luncheon Monday morning October 20th, 2014 at 10:00 am at the Wesley Center Large Dining Room. The First Family Singers: "Beyond the Purple Doors" and Mary Ena Heath, GO Team Chair, will present the program. Please bring one sandwich, cut in 4 parts, to share (drinks, chips and desserts will be provided). Tabitha, Sarah and Joanna Circles are hostesses and all circles will meet together. Make reservations by Thursday, October 16th by contacting Virginia Cook at cook147@comcast.net or 256-536-6386. All visitors are welcome! No business.

Office Announcements

- The church office will be CLOSED today.
- The Wednesday Mid Week Meal will NOT be held this week due to Fall Break.
- The children's choir and youth handbell rehearsals will NOT be held this week due to Fall Break.

Announcements and events

Library

The church library is all decked out for Fall and we have some great selections on the shelves. We currently have "The Prayer of Jabez", Micheal Belk's DVD and book "Journeys with the Messiah" (Parables Edition), and over 230 kits and books for small group studies.

Visit us online at huntsvillefirst.org and click on "church library" to check out all the other great selections we have in stock. And don't hesitate to visit the church library, there are great selections, the library is the perfect place to read and relax.

United Methodist Women

New Mothers and Daughters (Friends) Circle

Upcoming Events:

October 20th at 10:00 AM - General meeting and luncheon in the Wesley Center with other UMW Circles.

November 18th at 5:30 PM - Program on Sharing with stone soup for dinner. This event will be at the home of Linda Leles, 2600 Quarter Lane in Hampton Cove. You are asked to bring a can of vegetables or fresh vegetables for the stone soup as well as a turkey or \$2 (per meal you'd like to donate) for the Downtown Rescue Mission.

December 16th- A fun evening with music and refreshments at Redstone Village.

Information

Online Giving is Available

If you prefer to give online then visit www.huntsvillefirst.org and choose the "about" drop down tab and then click "give online". Once you are on the "online give" page you will need to register and follow the prompts to set up your onetime gift or reoccurring gifts if you would like. For more information or if you have questions concerning online giving please contact Cindy 256-539-5738 ext. 212 or cindy@huntsvillefirst.org and you may also contact Rhonda at 256-539-5738 ext. 224 or rhonda@huntsvillefirst.org.

SingleSpace

SingleSpace is a group for adult singles of all ages. All singles are welcome of church affiliation. We meet on Sundays at 6:30 in Wesley Center Room 216, unless otherwise announced.

Tonight: Fall Fling and Covered Dish Dinner.

Bring a covered dish that serves 6-8 people to share for the fall season.

Music

Pianist Needed!

Our Melody Singers need a pianist for their rehearsals. They meet on Wednesday afternoons from 4:30 to 5:30 PM. If you would be willing to serve in this capacity, please contact the Music office 256-539-5738 Ext. 227

Ringers needed!

Our Youth Handbell Choir (Grades 6 -12) has openings for youth that would like to join this talented music group. They meet on Wednesdays from 4:30 to 5:30. Ability to read music is a plus, but not required.

The Adult Handbell Choir has 2 openings at this time. They rehearse on Sundays from 4:30 to 6:00pm. Ability to read music is preferred for this group. If interested, please see Dr. Monte Bateman, or contact the Music Office 539-5738 Ext. 227.

Canadian Brass Performs at Trinity UMC

Canadian Brass will be performing at Trinity United Methodist Church, 607 Airport Road in Huntsville on October 10th at 7:30 PM. For more information or ticket pricing please visit www.hcmg.us or call 256-489-7415.

Youth

Announcements:

-With this upcoming week being Fall Break, youth will NOT be meeting TONIGHT!! We want to wish all of our youth a great week off and safe travels to all of the families who will be traveling this week.

-We are still in need of volunteers. If you feel called to help minister to the rising generation, please contact Grant Judah at grant@huntsvillefirst.org

Children

Save the Date!

HFUMC Night at Tate Farms
Wednesday, October 22 at 6:00 PM
Join us for hay rides, pumpkin pickin', smores over the bonfire and more!
To register please visit <https://huntsvillefirstumc.wufoo.com/forms/hfumc-night-at-tate-farms/>.

Announcements:

-Wednesday, October 8th we will not be have children's classes due to Fall Break.

-Check out the new Parent Cue app! For just \$1.99 you can get all the scoop from Sunday morning plus videos, songs, and activities to reinforce what your child is learning in Sunday School.

Sprouts

Infant-3 year olds, 9:35-10:35 AM in the Wesley Center Nursery.

Explore

3-4 year olds, 9:35 AM in the Wesley Center 2nd floor
This month the children will be learning BIG THINGS about how God can help them do things.

Upstreet

K-3rd Graders, 9:35 AM in the Wesley Center Fellowship Hall
This month the children will be learning that they can trust God no matter what.