

## This week at a glance

<b>Today</b>	
September 14	-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, 8:45AM, Chapel -Lay Leadership Training, 2:00-6:30 PM, WWC -First Groups (Everitt)- 4:00-5:30 PM, MB 129 -Alpha, 5:15-7:45 PM, MB 300 -SingleSpace, 6:30-9:00 PM, WC 216
<b>Monday</b>	
September 15	-Boy Scout Troop 15, 7:00 PM, WC Scout Room -Financial Committee Meeting, 6:00-7:00 PM, MB 113 -Stewardship Committee Meeting, 7:00-8:00 PM, MB 113
<b>Tuesday</b>	
September 16	-Church Office Closed, ALL DAY -Prayer and Care Group, 10:00 AM, MB 125 -Prayer Shawl Ministry, 1:00 PM, Parlor -SWEEM Board Meeting, 5:00-9:30 PM, WC 216 -Living in the Kingdom Parables, 6:00-7:30 PM, MB 129
<b>Wednesday</b>	
September 17	-S.A.G.E.S, 9:30-11:00 AM, MB 129 -Church Library Open, 2:00-4:00 PM, WC -Mid-Week Meal, 5:15-6:00 PM, WC 117 -Disciple 1, 5:45-8:15 PM, MB 129 -God's Garage Band Rehearsal, 6:00-8:00 PM, WC 203 -Exalt Band Practice, 6:00-10:00 PM, WWC -W.o.W. Women of the Word, 6:00-7:30 PM, WC 216 -Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, 7:00-8:30 PM, MB
<b>Thursday</b>	
September 18	-First Groups (Lynne's Ladies'), 9:00-11:00 AM, MB 129 -New UMW Circle Forming, 11:00 AM, Parlor -GO Team Prayer Time, 12:00 PM, Chapel -Safety and Security, 5:45 PM, Conference Room -New Song Rehearsal, 6:30 PM, Wesley Worship Center
<b>Friday</b>	
September 19	-Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7:30 AM WC Fellowship Hall
<b>Saturday</b>	
September 20	-Have a great weekend!

### Attention:

The Upper Room September and October 2014 issues are now available. They are \$1.00 each and can be picked up in the following locations: Sanctuary, by the elevator leading to the Sanctuary (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor), or in the Wesley Worship Center. They can also be purchased from the receptionist in the church office during normal office hours.

## Financial and Attendance Reports

<b>Annual Budget</b>	<b>\$2,261,598.00</b>	<b>\$660,705.86</b>
<b>09/07/2014</b>	<b>Ministry Budget</b>	<b>Building Fund</b>
Received This Sunday		
Needed Each Week		
Received Year to Date		
Needed to Date		
Over/(Short) to Date		
Spent Year to Date		

**\*\*Due to our conversion to Arena this week we do not have contribution numbers. Sorry for the inconvenience and thank you for your patience.**

### Faith Promise

Pledged for Faith Promise 2014/2015: .....\$  
Received to date for 2014-15 Faith Promise: .....\$  
The GO budget is available for review online at [www.huntsvillefirst.org](http://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	1128	1035
Sunday School	415	403

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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

September 14, 2014

## Help Wanted!

We have immediate openings for the following positions:

Adult Education Director- Full Time  
Assistant Director, Children's Ministry- Part Time  
Assistant Director, Youth Ministry- Part Time

For more information and application instructions, please visit our website at [www.huntsvillefirst.org](http://www.huntsvillefirst.org) and click "Employment Opportunities" under the "About" menu. Resumes and cover letters can be sent to [jobs@huntsvillefirst.org](mailto:jobs@huntsvillefirst.org)

## First Groups-Sign Up Today!

Check out the First Groups' flyer in your bulletin to learn all about this new initiative. We want all of you to join one! Here is a list of First Groups leaders:

Bo and Doni Harrison (full)	Elizabeth Bowman
Phil & Judy Bueche	Donald Cash
Chris and Lauren McNeill	Wren Clanton (full)
Melanie McRae	Barbara Cook
Connie Cook	Jim Ellis and Kim Cox
Henry & Patricia Everitt (full)	Lynn Fortner
Herb and Camille Vaughan (full)	Cary Gibbs
John and Debbie Youngs	Ruth Fulmer

For more information about these leaders' groups, visit the First Groups page at <http://www.huntsvillefirst.org/>

## Office Announcements

-The church office will be closed all day Tuesday, September 16th for Staff Training.

-If you are interested in purchasing a book or materials from last week's presentation by Michael Belk please visit [www.journeyswiththemessiah.org](http://www.journeyswiththemessiah.org).

-Cloverton cd's are still available for purchase in the church office for those interested.

Upcoming Events

Mark Your Calendar and Save the Date

For more upcoming events check out our calendar at [www.huntsvillefirst.org](http://www.huntsvillefirst.org)

- Lay Leadership Training-Today
- Office will be Closed for All Day Staff Training- September 16
- ALPHA overnight at Camp Sumatanga- September 27-28
- Honduras Mission Trip- October 4-11
- WoW! Women of the Word Prayer Bootcamp - October 17
- Confirmation Service- November 2

Looking for an opportunity to plug-in?

The Wednesday night food ministry is in need of a group of volunteers (4-5) to support them on the 1<sup>st</sup> and/or 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month. Commitment would be from 4:30 to 6:30. If you, your friends, or even your Sunday School Class would like to assist and serve, please email Marla Wood at [marla@huntsvillefirst.org](mailto:marla@huntsvillefirst.org).

Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal

This Week -Taco Salad

Meals are served 5:15 – 6:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall (Wesley Center) Cost: Adults - \$6, Children - \$3, Maximum cost per household - \$20 Reservations are required each week (No later than noon Monday). You may make your reservations in the way most convenient for you:

- (1) Pew card on Sunday (place in the offering plate)
- (2) Phone (539-5738 Ext. 210 – can leave a message 24/7)
- (3) Email, at any time, ([lisa@huntsvillefirst.org](mailto:lisa@huntsvillefirst.org))

Church Quiz!

True or False (check all that apply)

- \_\_\_1. You LOVE God
- \_\_\_2. You LIKE body humor and/or sports
- \_\_\_3. You want to make a difference in a kid's life  
(but can't volunteer on Sundays)

If you checked at least one of these choices, YOU'RE PERFECT to be a small group leader for boys during the school week. YOU SET THE TIME before school/work, after school/work, whenever your guys can meet!

Leaders needed for BOYS in 6th-8th and 10th grade.  
Email Sarah Lauren V. Kattos at [SLVK@comcast.net](mailto:SLVK@comcast.net) or  
Paige Doyle at [PaigeDoyle@comcast.net](mailto:PaigeDoyle@comcast.net) for more information.

Adult Education

Alpha

Come investigate questions about the existence of God, the purpose of life, the afterlife, the claims of Jesus and more. Alpha gives everyone the opportunity to explore the meaning of life in a relaxed, friendly setting. The class meets every Sunday at 5:15 PM on the 3rd floor of the Main Building. Each class will begin with a meal, followed by a short talk and time to discuss what's been taught. Contact Tamra Ozbolt at 256-652-1668 for more information.

WoW! Women of the Word

All women are invited to join WoW! (Women of the Word) this fall to study Priscilla Shirer's Gideon study. The group meets on Wednesday nights from 6:00 - 7:30 pm in the Wesley Center small dining room (room 216.) On Friday, October 17th from 5:30 - 8:30 pm, WoW! will have a Prayer Bootcamp in the Wesley Worship Center. After the Prayer Bootcamp, the group will be studying Mark Batterson's The Circle Maker from October 22 - Nov. 12. All women are welcome! For more information email: [marla@huntsvillefirst.org](mailto:marla@huntsvillefirst.org)

Disciple I

Wednesdays from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Room 129 MB (Wed. class started August 20<sup>th</sup>)  
Disciple I is the foundation of the DISCIPLE Bible Study program. This 34-week study gives equal time to both the Old and New Testament, emphasizing the wholeness of the Bible as the revelation of God. Contact John Youngs (256-650-5012) if you have any questions.

United Methodist Women

Christmas Shoebox Ministry

The deadline for completing the UMW sponsored Christmas Shoebox Ministry for 3rd world children in Honduras is Monday, September 22nd. The boxes and instructions are located in the church library. Please consider filling one box or more boxes to give these children a blessing this Christmas season.

Martha Circle Meeting

Join us this Tuesday, September 15th at 8:30 AM for our September meeting where we will be traveling to the UMCOR warehouse in Decatur. Transportation is being provided by the church and all interested are asked to meet in the church parking lot on Clinton Street at 8:30 AM. For more information please contact Mona Gay Keith at 256-881-2458.

Annual October UMW Meeting and Sandwich Luncheon

All women of Huntsville First United Methodist Church and visitors are invited to attend! The luncheon will be held October 20th at 10:00 AM in the Wesley Worship Center large dining room. Each person attending this luncheon is asked to bring one wrapped sandwich cut into four pieces to share. Drinks and desserts will be provided. To make reservations please contact Virginia Cook at [lcook147@comcast.net](mailto:lcook147@comcast.net) or 256-536-6386 by October 16th. And for information please contact President, Norma Colbath at [colbath@knology.net](mailto:colbath@knology.net) or 256-881-1639.

Trustees

Our new parking lot is *almost* finished. We ask you to be patient for just a little longer. We are awaiting light poles and LED lights; property ownership, traffic flow, and city parking ordinance signs; and concrete stop for each parking space. Finally, we must receive a certificate of occupancy from the City of Huntsville once we pass their inspection after all improvements have been completed. If you have any questions or comments please contact Emily Craft at 256-585-7305 or at [emily.craft@outlook.com](mailto:emily.craft@outlook.com)

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: Patti Trigg and Friends

Patti Trigg and her guest will be entertaining us this evening with songs and music. Patti is working on her book and will be singing "It's a Merry Christmas when Pigs Fly". This will be an evening to remember so come and enjoy the fun!

Book Club

Huntsville First UMC Book Club opens 2014-2015 season with ***The Astronaut Wives Club: A True Story*** - September 23rd at 11 AM in the Wesley Center small dining room.

Pat Martin will review *The Astronaut Wives Club: A True Story* by Lily Koppel. All are welcome to hear about this era in American life. Fellowship, food and refreshments to follow. Reservation is not required and all books are available in the church library!

Youth

**Sunday School**- 9:35 AM **MYF Dinner**- 5:00 PM  
**MYF Program and 6th Confirmation class**- 5:30-7:00 PM  
**Ski Trip?**- Start thinking about whether or not you'd like to go on the Ski Trip this year! Registration will open soon.  
**Volunteers needed!** Any adults who would like to volunteer on Sunday nights with the youth group please email Grant Judah at [grant@huntsvillefirst.org](mailto:grant@huntsvillefirst.org)

Children

Sunday School

**Sprouts**  
Infant-2 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  
Children explore their relationship with God in their own special environment.

**Upstreet**  
K-3rd Graders, 9:35 AM in the Wesley Center Fellowship Hall  
Children see a Bible story come to life and worship God in a powerful way.

**Zone 45**  
4th-5th Graders, 9:35 AM in the Wesley Center 2nd floor  
Tweens discover answers to questions such as "Who is Jesus?", "What is United Methodist?", "What is Baptism?" and more.

Wednesday Nights

**Journey Thru the Bible**  
K-3rd Graders, 6:00-7:30 PM in the Wesley Center in Room 207  
Join us as we play games, make crafts, and explore what's in our Bible.

**Mpact**  
(What will your's be?)  
4th-6th Graders, 6:00-7:30 PM in the Wesley Center in Room 215  
Fellowship with games and a Snak Shack, Bible Study and a weekly Mission project.

Volunteers are always needed and welcome in Children's Ministry. Please contact Eliza Spearman to help: [eliza@huntsvillefirst.org](mailto:eliza@huntsvillefirst.org) or 256-337-9884.