



"To Know Jesus And To Make Him Known"

# Good News

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## Break Time

Our family loves summer break and all that comes with it. We hop from pool to pool. We take time to travel. The kids enjoy their sleep, while Christina and I are glad to not have to navigate the morning crazies. It is a time of recharging, of sharing love, and enjoying the goodness of God in our lives.

We all need to take breaks. Going all out all of the time leads to empty, joyless lives. Taking time to step back from work or school, to take a breath, and to recognize where God is at work actually makes us better employees, students, and leaders.

Of course, this isn't just the current leadership jargon. This is actually a part of God's design. Rest (and the need for it) was built into God's creation. God rested on the seventh day of creation and invites us to do the same. In fact, remembering to rest and honor God (the Sabbath) is actually one of the 10 commandments.

What does Sabbath look like for you?

I love the images that David gives to us in Psalm 23. In this familiar Psalm, David describes God as a shepherd to us, his sheep. David says that God "makes me to lie down in green pastures." Imagine a soft, grassy field with a nice breeze in the late afternoon. That's the rest God hopes for us.

Any shepherd who leads sheep provides ways of rest for them. If an earthly shepherd cares for his sheep, how much more does your earthly father care for us?

This summer, take some time to take a break. Take the time to lie down in green pastures. The shepherd of our souls, who rested in his work, calls us to do the same.

Peace,

## Worship Arts Ministry



### Senior Saints Spring Schedule

Friday, June 15 1:00 Sing at Cara Vita  
(Note change in time & date)



### Choir Cookout

All singers are invited to come join us at our Choir Cookout on Sunday, July 8, at 5:00 p.m. at Steve & Mary Badskey's home in Stoneybrooke Plantation.

## New Bible Study Begins!

A new Bible study will begin **Saturday, June 16, at 10:00 a.m. in room 26.** *The Gospel of John* is a daily-weekly study for 12 weeks prepared by Ben Witherington, Ph.D, Amos professor of New Testament for doctoral studies at Asbury Theological Seminary and author of numerous books and publications. This will be a focused and substantive study to learn Scripture through a steady method. Study materials are a DVD and a 182 page study guide for students, plus one for the leader. Tom Babington will be leading this interesting new study. You can visit [onebook.seedbed.com](http://onebook.seedbed.com) for information. If you need more information, please contact Richard at 272-6152 or [richard@aldersgateumc.org](mailto:richard@aldersgateumc.org).

## Options for Giving

There are four primary funds to which you can give and support the mission of God through Aldersgate.

**General Fund** - This crucial fund handles the day-to-day operations of the church. Through this fund, worship supplies are bought, youth activities are paid for, the light bill is paid, and staff salaries are supported. When you make a stewardship pledge, this is the fund to which you are pledging.

**Faith Promise** - With your Faith Promise giving, we are able to support the mission of God throughout the world with strategic partnerships. Faith Promise partnerships (local, national, and international) and determined by our Global Outreach Lead Team. This fund is the focus of our Global Impact Celebration.

**Building Fund** - Because of the nature of capital expenses, it is not possible to cover all maintenance needs from the General Fund. The Building Fund, then, becomes especially important to cover large expenses, such as roof replacement, elevator repair, and parking lot paving (all of which we have done within the last 4 years).

**Permanent Endowment Fund** - The goal of the PEF is to provide ongoing income for the sustained ministry of Aldersgate. Your gifts to the PEF will be pooled with others and create a principal from which the earned interest will support ministry to future generations.

# Sing!

How Worship Transforms Your  
Life, Family and Church.  
Beginning Sunday, July 15 at 3:30

Rediscover what it means to lift up your voice in praise. Join us for Sing! How Worship Transforms Your Life, Family, and Church. A 5 week bible study on Sunday afternoons at 3:30 in our Choir Room beginning on Sunday, July 15. In *Sing!*, modern hymn writers Keith and Kristyn Getty explore why we sing and what that means for individual worshippers and churches. With attention to the Bible's witness on worship, this book will help us better understand and more deeply appreciate praising God with music and in song. We sing to proclaim the gospel together in obedience to God and to celebrate the gift of faith. Books are \$5 each – contact Rev. Steve Badskey at [steve@aldersgateumc.org](mailto:steve@aldersgateumc.org) to sign up.

## SEED Planting



On Saturday, June 16, Robert Thompson will lead a team of 14 to Quito, Ecuador, where they will work with our ministry partner SIFAT for a week. They will work daily at the Gotitas de Esperanza (Little Tears of Hope) project in Aida Leon on the southeast side of Quito, helping to build a two-story Compassion International center. They will also be conducting morning and afternoon VBS for children ages 4-17.

Please pray for the team and those they go to serve, for safe travel, good weather, and a blessed experience for all. Team members are Wendy and Aubrey Askew; Patsy Eiland; George and Sarah Mingledorff; Carla Pugh; and Robert, Susan, and Rachel Thompson from Aldersgate; and Cory and Hillary Pugh Eckstein; Braxton Hancock; and Stuart and Patsy Lockwood of First UMC Tallassee. This will be Aldersgate's fourth mission team to go to Ecuador since 2012; they will return on Sunday, June 24.

## Door Greeters Needed!

Welcome Team Greeter Training is coming up at 11:35 on Sunday, June 10 in the Choir Room. Our Worship Arts Team is in need of additional Sunday morning Welcome Team "Door Greeters." Training is short, and your time as a greeter will be as little as one or two 20 minute periods every other month. We encourage your support of our church's hospitality efforts. GREETERS make a difference EVERY Sunday!

WELCOME  
TEAM

## Children's Ministry

Children are an important part of our family here at Aldersgate and are always welcome to worship with their families. Children ages Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> grade are also invited to attend 3D Kids Worship, an engaging worship experience designed especially for kids to Dig in, Discover, and Develop their faith. Those attending should be signed in by an adult at the Family Welcome Station located outside of the chapel beginning at 10:20 and signed out of 3D Kids at the conclusion of the 10:30 worship services. 3D Kids Worship meets in the chapel on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays.

## Youth Announcements



- June 13 Wednesday Night
- June 17 Sunday Worship Night
- June 28 Lock-in
- July 15 Sunday Worship Night
- July 16-20 Mission Week

## Tuesdays @Two

Where Kids Learn, Serve, and Grow



- ~ June 12—Meet up at Nancy's Italian Ice
- ~ June 19—Messy games (Church pavilion)
- ~ June 26—Movie with a mission afternoon (Bag rice and beans for our Food Pantry)
- ~ July 3—Meet up at the Montgomery Splash Pad
- ~ July 10—Preschool Palooza (EXACT Date and time TBD)
- ~ July 17—Bingo with Grand friends
- ~ July 24—Meet up at the planetarium, snack picnic to follow in the park
- ~ July 31—Back to School Bash Ice Cream Party (Church Pavilion)

All Kids ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to join us in the Christian Activity Center!

## Stay Connected During the Summer

As you are traveling this summer, here are a few ways to stay connected.

1. Read our weekly Scripture from wherever you are. Each week, the Scripture for Sunday is published in the newsletter. While you are at the beach or Disney or Ecuador, read along with us!
2. Join Prayer & Praise. You can pray wherever you are. So, email [aumcprayerandpraise@gmail.com](mailto:aumcprayerandpraise@gmail.com) to find ways to pray for current requests from the church and community.
3. Set up online giving. By going to [AldersgateUMC.org](http://AldersgateUMC.org), you can set up an account to give online. You can even schedule giving for the future.
4. Worship where you are. The gospel has spread throughout the world. Wherever you will be, the church is. So, find a local church and meet some new family members.

## River Region Readers

Join the book club at **6:00 p.m. Sunday, June 10**, in room 119 as we discuss *Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus: A Devout Muslim Encounters Christianity*, by Nabeel Qureshi. All are welcome! Come even if you haven't finished the book.

## Bowling League



If you are interested in joining a bowling league for the summer, contact Ronnie Watkins at 272 2212 or via text at 334 320 5020. **Youth are welcome to join as well.**

## Biscuits Baseball!



Aldersgate will be going to see the Biscuits play on June 23 at 6:05 p.m. Tickets are \$12.00 each. Call the Church Office if you are interested in going. For more information, contact Richard at 272-6152

or [richard@aldersgateumc.org](mailto:richard@aldersgateumc.org)

## Aldersgate Food Pantry



June Food Pantry



### Paper Goods— Toilet Paper & Paper Towels

The over 500 clients we serve get so excited to receive toilet paper or paper towels! Let's help CLEAN UP!! Please place all donations in the containers throughout the church

From a client: "Great job you guys are doing. May God continue to bless you for blessing others. Thanks for all you do."

**Join us for worship this Sunday!**

8:15 Chapel Service with Holy Communion
10:30 Contemporary
10:30 Traditional
Psalm 23:1-3
“The Lord Is My Shepherd: Want”

**Our gifts to God!**

<b>June 3, 2018</b>	
Morning Worship—291	Sunday School—190
<b>April 30, 2018</b>	
Budget for 2018	\$1,274,545
Operating Budget Requirement to Date	424,423
Operating Budget Income Received to Date	410,849
Operating Budget Expenses to Date	406,077
Total Pledges to Faith Promise	90,335
Total Received through 4/30/18	6,650

*Aldersgate Weekly Calendar of Events*  
June 10-16, 2018

<b>SUNDAY, JUNE 10—SUNDAY JUNE 17</b> Family Promise	1:30 p.m. Mission Prayer Team
<b>SUNDAY, JUNE 10</b> 8:15 a.m. Chapel Service with Weekly Communion 9:15 a.m. Sunday School for Adults, Youth, Children 10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service Sanctuary 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service CAC 10:30 a.m. 3D Kids Worship Chapel 11:35 a.m. Greeters Training Meeting Choir Room 6:00 p.m. River Region Readers Room 119	<b>TUESDAY, JUNE 12</b> 10:00 a.m. Food Pantry Waiting Room Room 29 7:00 p.m. Scouts/Room 22, CAC
<b>MONDAY, JUNE 11</b> 9:00 a.m. UMW Quilting Group Room 22	<b>WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13</b> 2:00 p.m. Knitting & Crocheting Group Room 25 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal 5:30 p.m. Youth Fun Night/CAC
	<b>THURSDAY, JUNE 14</b> 6:30 p.m. Men’s Emmaus Reunion Group Meeting/Parlor
	<b>FRIDAY, JUNE 15</b> 1:00 p.m. Senior Saints sing at Cara Vita
	<b>SATURDAY, JUNE 16</b> 10:00 a.m. Gospel of John Bible Study Room 26