



"To Know Jesus And To Make Him Known"

Good News

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God has not given up on you

A statement that should encourage us regardless of where we find ourselves. The scriptures gives us guidance in this area.

I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ.

Philippians 1:6 NRSV

In the midst of the summer, sometimes we find ourselves struggling to complete task or even just getting stuff done. At times I often think about what I have not finished working on. If it is not yard work, it is always laundry. If we were honest, at times we are not able to see things through to completion.

I am grateful for our Scripture that informs us that God is not like us. God continues to look at us in our sin and sees potential in each of us. This potential that God has for us is with us for the rest of our lives. If we allow God access to our heart, then a change can take place like never before. In the midst of all your task and responsibilities, don't forget to just breathe. This is a common practice for myself to engage in so many different tasks. We continue this week reminded that the shepherd wants us to breathe and remember that we are not forgotten but really covered. We are covered in so many ways. This Sunday we will share reminders of the covering we all have access to. Until we get to breathe together this weekend, have an amazing week.

2 ways to breathe this week

Saturday—Attend the baseball game with us on June 23. If you arrive at 4:45pm, you can even hear a live performance from a Christian Artist. If not, 6pm will work as well. Faith Radio has sponsored the night and it will be a night to remember. PS. Our seats are in the shade so if you were concerned about the SUN, we got you covered. If you need tickets, please call the church office.

Sunday—Have lunch with Friends here at the church. We will have food trucks and awesome activities for the Kids and Adults. We will have seating inside and outside so everyone will be comfortable. The Summer bash will be a treat!

Worship Arts Ministry



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.

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 worshipers 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 to sign up.

DINING IN THE DARK

A JOURNEY OF TASTES, SOUNDS, AND TOUCH

Outward Sight, Inward Vision
Presents the Sixth Annual
Dining In The Dark
In the Christian Activity Center
July 12, 2018 @ 6:00 pm

Keynote Speaker:
Dr. Katherine Donnithorne, MD
Montgomery Eye Physicians

Special Music - *Piano by Pete Maddock*

\$25 per ticket- All proceeds go to support activities for vision impaired persons. \$15.00 of ticket is a tax deduction

Thank You, Linda

After over 20 years of service at Aldersgate, Linda Anderson is retiring, effective on the last day of June. Hired during the tenure of Rev. Jim Dannelly, Linda has served as Executive Assistant under six senior ministers. Her work has been integral to the life of the church. She has produced baptism certificates for hundreds of infants and adults. She has assisted in sending out thousands of mail communications. She has produced hundreds of pages of Charge Conference reports. She has done it all with grace and a generous spirit. We know that many of you will want to show up your appreciation to Linda. Here are a couple of ways. First, stop by to say hello over the next week. Second, if you would like to give a gift of appreciation, please address it directly to Linda Anderson and give to Bill Haigler. She will be presented with them all at one time.

Summer Hospitality!

EVERY member of Aldersgate has a unique opportunity to show INTENTIONAL HOSPITALITY to our visitors. Many of us are creatures of habit who sit in the same pew/chair areas every Sunday, however, we ALL should be on the lookout for new faces in our worship services. We need to be ready to welcome new folks anytime an opportunity presents itself. Specifically, we need to introduce ourselves, ask for their names, and when possible, accompany these visitors to our "Welcome Center." Also, if possible, make every effort to introduce them to one of our Ministers or staff members. YOU may be the very WELCOME our visitors need to feel at home at Aldersgate.

SEED Planting



How exciting it is to hear testimonies from our missionary partners about God's prevenient grace wooing and winning people to Christ. Neal Hicks reports that the recent baptisms of two Japanese women has had a big impact on others they are ministering to at Crossroads of the Nations. He writes, "How greatly we praise the Lord for you all and for your wonderful partnership in the Gospel! We continue to see lives changed here as we day in and day out share Christ with unreached Japanese."

Our partners in Central Asia are seeing rapid growth in their new home fellowship as Muslims are learning about Jesus, being baptized, and following Christ. One of the newer believers in their fellowship led a couple of family members to the Lord the first time she shared the Gospel with them. Soon their home church will need to split into two or three groups to accommodate all the new believers. Some of those being disciplined have received quite a bit of backlash from their families, but they steadfastly proclaim that Jesus is their Savior and that they will follow Him.

God's been at work right here at Aldersgate, too. We celebrate the 16 professions of faith at this month's WinShape Camp and look forward to even more next year. Mark your calendar for June 10-14 and come be a part of 2019's Best Week Ever.

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-5th 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 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays.

Youth Announcements



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

Tuesdays @Two

Where Kids Learn, Serve, and Grow



- ~ 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 to find ways to pray for current requests from the church and community.
3. Set up online giving. By going to 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.

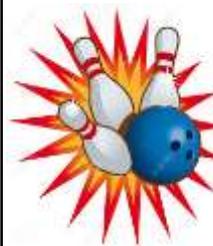
Thank You!

Thank you so much for your financial support of the WinShape scholarship fund. Many of those attending camp would not have been able to come without scholarship aid. I appreciate your donations and willingness to help. Thanks again.

Lynn Ray

Designating a Legacy Gift

Have you thought about a way you could play a role in Aldersgate's future? Designating a Legacy Gift to our church's Permanent Endowment Fund (PEF) by way of your Will or Life Insurance Policy is a means of doing that. For more information, go to the church's website and click on Permanent Endowment Program, or contact the church office. The staff will have a PEF committee member contact you.



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.*

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 Dr. Brian Miller
10:30 Contemporary— Rev. Richard Williams
10:30 Traditional— Dr. Brian Miller Psalm 23:4 “The Lord Is My Shepherd: Fear”

Our gifts to God!

June 17, 2018	
Morning Worship—266	Sunday School—149
May 31, 2018	
Budget for 2018	\$1,274,545
Operating Budget Requirement to Date	531,485
Operating Budget Income Received to Date	505,242
Operating Budget Expenses to Date	509,131
Total Pledges to Faith Promise	90,335
Total Received through 4/30/18	10,249

Aldersgate Weekly Calendar of Events
June 24-30, 2018

<p>SUNDAY, JUNE 24</p> <p>8:15 a.m. Chapel Service with Weekly Communion</p> <p>9:15 a.m. Sunday School for Adults, Youth, Children</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service Sanctuary</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service CAC</p> <p>10:30 a.m. 3D Kids Worship Chapel</p> <p>11:30 a.m. Summer Bash</p> <p>TUESDAY, JUNE 26</p> <p>9:00 a.m. History Group Room 119</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Food Pantry Waiting Room Room 29</p> <p>5:00 p.m. First UMC, Fort Worth, Youth Choir CAC Upstairs, CAC Kitchen</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27</p> <p>9:30 a.m. Knitting & Crocheting Group Room 25</p> <p>THURSDAY, JUNE 28</p> <p>6:30 p.m. Men’s Emmaus Reunion Group Meeting/Parlor</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Food Pantry Waiting/Room 29</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Open Time of Prayer/Room 28</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Mexico Mission Team Meeting Room 25</p> <p>FRIDAY, JUNE 29</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Youth Choir from First UMC, Florida, CAC Upstairs, CAC Kitchen, Rooms 22, 24, 25, 27, 119</p> <p>SATURDAY, JUNE 30</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Gospel of John Bible Study Room 26</p>
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