



"To Know Jesus And To Make Him Known"

Good News

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July 15, 2018

Dear Aldersgate,

We have had an amazing summer serving and reaching to new areas of our community. My sincere gratitude goes to those who serve without recognition each week. The level of service that is needed for the church can become tedious at times. The work can be massive but so many handle it with grace. This past week we worshiped around the central theme Free to Serve. It was an awesome time and fitting expression to what God is calling us to do.

As we approach the end of the summer many things will prepare to Kick Off in the area of Discipleship. We will provide meaningful opportunities for people to grow and share their faith. The Fall will be a season that acknowledges our past to inform our future. My prayer for you and your family is that you would commit to serving in a new way. We are grateful for our Midweek Gathering Kick Off which will be on Aug 15 with dinner beginning at 5:30pm.

As our students head back to school they will be given new schedules and meet new teachers. They will work hard to remember previous lessons and to apply those skills in action. Let us take a pointer from our students and try the same thing. Let us all be open to new experiences and opportunities for the purpose of the cross.

We will continue to welcome new people to our church. Let us never forget our mission statement is a call to action. We must accept it by growing deeper in our faith and being willing to share it.

I am grateful to serve alongside of you to grow in a deeper relationship with Christ. I am grateful to serve the discipleship and missions areas of the church. If you would like to lead a ministry or serve please be reminded that we are hear to walk with you through that process.

We are all Free to Serve.

Richard

Welcome New Member

A warm welcome to our newest member, CiCi Tinney who joined Aldersgate from another domination on July 1, 2018. Please help us welcome CiCi to the Aldersgate family!

Worship Arts Ministry

Prayer and Praise Email

All members are encouraged to join our Aldersgate Prayer and Praise email list. Prayer requests and notes of praise are sent out several times a week to our more than 150 different current and former Aldersgate members. You can join our email list by sending an email aumcprayandpraise@gmail.com or call the church office at 272-6152.

The Aldersgate Worship Arts Team

would like to remind all church members and classes that they can honor the life or memory of someone special by donating flowers on the altar in the sanctuary. If you want to designate a Sunday when you or your class would like to purchase the flowers, all you need to do is contact Allison Frost in the church office at 272-6152 or allison@aldersgateumc.org. The weekly cost for the flowers is \$50.00. We encourage you to remember this opportunity throughout the year and select a date that you would like to reserve.

Thank You, Aldersgate Worship Arts Team



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.



New Worship Series Starting Soon!

Ministers On Call

In order to provide care for the entire church, our pastoral staff is available in emergency situations. If you have an emergency and are in need of care overnight, during the weekend, or on holidays, please call 334-544-0168.

Did You Know?

Most people are willing to receive information about church in conversation with a friend, neighbor, or family member. The numbers regarding personal conversation are much higher than outdoor signs or magazine advertising. To help you invite your newest neighbors, find the “Welcome” cards in the Atrium and CAC. These give you a format to (1) offer help to your newest neighbors and (2) invite them to join you for worship at Aldersgate! Personal invitation is the heartbeat of a church excited about its future. Let's share our love for Aldersgate!

Prescription Bottle Recycling

Please remember that medicine bottle recycling does not include white bottles or colored bottles that were not originally prescription bottles. It is important that you do not put other types of recycling in the box.

Coming Up! Lifeline Screening

Saturday, August 18th, 2018
Call 1-888-653-6450

SEED Planting



From Ted Davis: We are pleased to announce that the Aldersgate UMC Backpack Ministry has developed a partnership with the Agudath Israel-Etz Ahayem Sisterhood. They heard about our Backpack Ministry and decided that, while they are small, they could still do something to have an impact on the needy children of Montgomery by partnering with us. This is now the third donation they have made to Backpack, and they are planning further involvement including helping us with one of our mass packing events. We look forward to serving together throughout the school year.



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.

Tuesdays @Two

Where Kids Learn, Serve, and Grow



- ~ 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!

Youth Announcements



- July 15 Youth Small Groups
 - July 16-20 Mission Week
- See Rev. Richard Williams for more information.

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!

"I would like all the ministers and my church family for their prayers, visits and gifts during my recent surgery and recovery. I would especially like to thank the quilting ministry for the beautiful lap quilt. I will always treasure it." -Reverend Julie Schaub

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*

JULY FOOD PANTRY



Peanut Butter and Jelly

Average number of children served on a monthly basis is 87...this is a 25% increase from previous year. Please continue to support the Aldersgate Food Pantry Ministry. Please place all donations in the containers throughout the church. All monetary donations may be placed in the offering plate, mark "food pantry" on your check. From a client: *"I would like to thank you. You are so kind. Thank you for the food. May God Bless you all."*

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Join us for worship this Sunday!

Our gifts to God!

July 15, 2018
"Them: Wrong Way"
Jonah 1

8:15 Chapel Service with Holy Communion
10:30 Contemporary Worship
10:30 Traditional Service

July 8, 2018
Morning Worship—248 Sunday School—133

June 30, 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 6/30/18	12,953

Aldersgate Weekly Calendar of Events
July 15-21, 2018

<p>SUNDAY, JULY 15</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>3:30 p.m. Sing! Bible Study/Choir Room</p> <p>5:00 p.m. Youth Small Groups</p> <p>6:00 p.m. River Region Readers/Room 119</p> <p>TUESDAY, JULY 17</p> <p>7:00 a.m. Statewide Election Runoff/CAC</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Food Pantry Waiting Room/Room 29</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY, JULY 18</p> <p>7:30 a.m. WCM Activity/Courtyard &Pavilion</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal/Choir Room</p> <p>THURSDAY, JULY 19</p> <p>6:30 a.m. Men's Emmaus Reunion</p> <p> Group/Meeting/Parlor</p> <p>9:30 a.m. All Staff Worship/Chapel</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>7:00 p.m. Sierra Club—Montgomery/Room 25</p> <p>SATURDAY, JULY 21</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Gospel of John Bible Study/Room 26</p>
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