



"To Know Jesus And To Make Him Known"

Good News

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"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made" (Psalm 139:14a)

"Summertime and the living is just a breeze." Yeah, not at all! So how often do we find ourselves busy for the summer? For many of us summertime is filled with more stuff than ever before. In fact if we go on a vacation it almost seems that when we get back we need a vacation to recover from our vacation.

Yet does it have to be this way? No!!

There is a reason in Genesis that God said to rest on the seventh day. The first six days are filled with work, but we need to take time to reflect and reaffirm who we are and why we are here on that seventh day. So who are we and why are we here? Well, if we look to the beginning of the bible we find in the first two chapters of Genesis a very clear message, God created us and asked us to care for all that is in this world and "it was very good (Genesis 1:31)."

We have worth because we are a creation of God, and God asks us to partner with him in bringing about the redemption of this world. God wants his creation to operate fully and well. He would not have sent his son if he didn't value us. Perhaps as the fall starts to gear up, you can take that summer pattern of a moment of rest into the fall and maybe into the entire year.

Our Discipleship Team has prepared an Amazing opportunity for you this fall. Please let us know if we can serve you in any way. We are so bless by our staff that serves our church so well.

Family Promise will be Aug 19-26. Will you serve with me? I can be reach via phone, email or the office.

Richard

Worship Arts Ministry

You are cordially invited to attend our Aldersgate Chancel Choirs' "Taste of Christmas 2018" 7:00 pm Wednesday, August 22

We'll begin with a quick choir practice to introduce everyone to our beautifully cinematic "The Christmas Song" musical with gorgeous arrangements by Bradley Knight.

Our rehearsal will conclude at 8:15 with a smorgasbord of Christmas dessert cuisine for everyone. Please come and join us as our guest.

Acolyte Recognition

We will have a special recognition for all of our Acolytes during our upcoming August 26, 10:30 worship service in the Sanctuary. Immediately after our service we will have an Acolyte training session at 11:40 in the Sanctuary for all of our children and youth, eat lunch together and then enjoy an afternoon pool party.



Teeny Tykes and Tunes will be offered at Aldersgate on Wednesday nights beginning **August 22** from **5:45 to 6:15** for ten weeks.

Did you know that much of your child's development occurs before Kindergarten? *Teeny Tykes & Tunes* is research based, educationally sound and has been proven to be a vital and exciting program through which parents can help their children grow and develop. You can sign up on our website at www.aldersgateumc.org, with our Weekday Children's Ministry Music Director, Rebekah Bye, or by email to Rev. Steve Badskey, steve@aldersgateumc.org.

Our dress will be casual and our music spirited and uplifting during the month of August in our Chapel and Sanctuary Services.

White Cane Day September 29, 2018

Aldersgate's Outward Vision + Inward Vision Support Group will be participating in the 5th annual White Cane Safety Day, a nationally recognized observance.

This is a time ...

- To spotlight the accomplishments and abilities of our blind citizens.
- To bring awareness to the importance of the white cane
- To reflect on the blind's abilities to live a full independent, successful life.

The day will begin with an opening ceremony on the steps of the State Capital followed by a symbolic walk from the Capital to the Montgomery Riverwalk; there, we will find exhibitors and vendors. Our Support Group will be one of the exhibitors. There will be food and fun activities; such as, learning to write your name in braille, games for children (soccer beeper ball played blindfolded). All this and no cost!! Mark your calendar now. For more info contact Betty Cates.

Covenant Bible Study

The Covenant Bible Study begins meeting Wednesday, September 5 from 9:30 until 10:30 a.m. in Room 26. We look forward to seeing our faithful members from the past and the new members who will participate for this year. For the fall, we will study the book of Mark. Judy Loughridge will give us an overview of Mark on September 5. You will receive your book at that time. Janet Hite needs to have a number count of our participation before books are ordered. Please call Janet Hite at 514-9810 or email her at nanahite@yahoo.com. Please join us for an inspirational Wednesday morning Bible Study and Christian fellowship.

Aldersgate Library

Please feel free to visit Aldersgate's Library located in room 21. If you decide to check something out, there are a number of categories to pick from: Bible Study and Devotions, Sunday School Resources, Personal and Family Issues, and Children's Books and Material. Members of Aldersgate may check out materials at any time, but please do not remove anything from the library without signing and leaving the check-out card. Materials need to be returned within 3 weeks by placing them in the brown basket on top of the card catalog.

SEED Planting



The Dream Campaign, our ministry partner in Savannah, GA, is growing. This fall they will be at two new sites – on the eastside in partnership with Community Bible Church of Savannah and on the westside in partnership with City Church Savannah. Both of these locations had plenty of needy children and youth but no structure for ministering to them. They sought out Glenn and Morgan Paddock after observing what they have been doing in their own community through The Dream Campaign.

Their ministry isn't the only area of growth in the Paddocks' lives. They recently became foster parents to two teenage girls. These girls had been in their program for some time, and because of that long-standing relationship Glenn and Morgan were looked upon as next-of-kin. The court recognized the growth the girls had exhibited through their involvement with The Dream Campaign and allowed them to come to the Paddocks instead of being placed in a foster home with strangers. If you were at Aldersgate 15 years ago, you'll remember Morgan as a much beloved youth director. She still keeps in touch with many of "her kids" from those years of ministry here.

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.

Monday Morning Bible Study For Women

11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

“A Clash of Kingdoms”– by Ray Vander Laan
Led By Betty Cates, Room 26, Book \$10

Organizational Meeting: August 27

First DVD on September 10 – Study ends on December 10

We will not meet on 9/3 (Labor Day) nor on 11/12 (Veterans' Day).

This study will challenge us to be God's partners in the same mission God gave to the Children of Israel at Mt Sinai. Ray Vander Laan's DVDS take us on Paul's 2nd teaching tour in the Province of Macedonia (Philippi, Thessalonica and Corinth). As Christians, we're called to proclaim God's name in all the earth, but how do we do that in the midst of false gospels? In this film series, discover how Paul communicated the Good News of Christ in a Roman & Greek world that worshiped false gods much like the world in which we live today. Books need to be ordered! Please contact Betty at bamcates@charter.net.

History Committee Invites You To Travel With Us to Camden UMC September 20, 2018

We will be celebrating the Alabama Bicentennial of 200 years of Methodism in Alabama. The Reverend Ebenezer Hearn preached his first sermon in the Alabama territory on April 18, 1818, at “Bear Meat Cabin” (present day Blountsville). We will hear from Ebenezer in a dramatic monologue (portrayed by Reverend Ed Shirley), and we'll eat lunch in one of the state's finest restaurants: The Gaines Ridge Dinner Club, which was built by Hearn in 1837. Also, the Wilcox Historical Society will present a program about the important historic landmarks in the area. Prior to returning home, we'll explore the majestic homes, churches and civic buildings from the early 1800's. You may go in your car or ride on the church van. Cost is \$20.00 (lunch included). If you ride on the church van, you will be asked to share in the cost of gas. Registration is requested by September 5th. Get your registration form from front desk or from S.S. book. Sign up for riding the van with Betty Cates at bamcates@charter.net.

River Region Readers

Join the book club at **6:00 p.m. Sunday, August 12**, in room 119 as we discuss *Small Great Things*, by Jodi Picoult. All are welcome! Come even if you haven't finished the book.

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.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Harper and Sharon Pruet on the birth of a granddaughter. Caroline Davis was born on August 2nd in Birmingham. Glenn and Peggy Salter are the proud great grandparents.

Midweek Gathering

August 15, 2018, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Serving & Clean-up:
Wesley Class

Adults & Children:
Meatloaf and Mashed Potatoes
Green Peas, Rolls and Red Velvet Cake

Kid's Option: Chicken Nuggets

Or:
Entrée Salad

(Cost is Adults/\$6.00, Youth/\$5.00,
College/free, Children/\$3.00,
Family/\$25.00 maximum)

To register, please sign up on the sheet provided in the attendance pads, call the church office by Monday noon www.aldersgateumc.org - “Events” or 272-6152



Aldersgate Food Pantry

AUGUST FOOD PANTRY

Macaroni and Cheese

Matthew 22:39
Love your neighbor as yourself.

23% of the Aldersgate Food Pantry Clients live in zip code 36116. They ARE our neighbors.

Thank you for your continued support of the Food Pantry Ministry! Please place all donations in the containers throughout the church.

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Join us for worship this Sunday!
Our gifts to God!

August 12, 2018
 “Real Life: Relationships”
 Colossians 3:12-14

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

July 29, 2018
 Morning Worship—148 Sunday School—125

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 7/31/18	19,413

Aldersgate Weekly Calendar of Events
 August 12—18, 2018

<p>SUNDAY, AUGUST 12</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. 3D Kid’s Worship/Chapel</p> <p>10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service/CAC</p> <p>3:30 p.m. UMC Listening Post/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>MONDAY, AUGUST 13</p> <p>9:00 a.m. UMW Quilting/Room 22</p> <p>1:30 p.m. Mission Prayer Team/Room 28</p> <p>TUESDAY, AUGUST 14</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Food Pantry Waiting Room/Room 29</p> <p>6:00 p.m. Scouts/Rooms 15-29, CAC</p>	<p>WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15</p> <p>5:30 p.m. Midweek Gathering/CAC</p> <p>7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>THURSDAY, AUGUST 16</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>FRIDAY, AUGUST 17</p> <p> (No events listed)</p> <p>SATURDAY, AUGUST 18</p> <p>8:30 a.m. Scouts—Adult and Senior/Room 22</p> <p>9:00 a.m. Lifeline Screening/CAC</p> <p>9:00 a.m. UMW Executive Committee Mtg/Room 119</p> <p>10:00 a.m. Gospel of John Bible Study/Room 26</p>
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