

First United Methodist Church

August 20, 2017

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude	Amanda Anderson
	<i>"Jesus Loves Me" – Arrg. Anderson</i>
Call to Worship	Choir
	<i>"Rejoice in the Lord Always"</i>
Invocation	Rev. Freeman
*Gloria Patri	UMH 70
	<i>"Glory Be to the Father"</i>
*Hymn	UMH 277
	<i>"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" (vs. 1,3)</i>
*Affirmation of Faith	UMH 881
	<i>The Apostles' Creed</i>
Children's Time	Rev. Freeman
Offertory	Amanda Anderson
	<i>"I Saw the Light" – Arrg. Anderson</i>
*Doxology	UMH 95
	<i>"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"</i>
*Hymn	UMH 572
	<i>"Pass It On" (vs. 1,3)</i>
Pastoral Prayer	Rev. Freeman
Anthem	Youth Choir & Rev. Freeman
	<i>"I Am the Vine" (by John Michael Talbot)</i>
Scripture	John 15:1-8
Sermon	Rev. Freeman
	<i>"What I Learned at Summer Camp"</i>

***Hymn** FWS 2129

"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" (vs.1,3)

***Benediction**

Choral Benediction Choir

"Lord Be Glorified" (FWS 2150)

**Please stand as you are able*

Welcome to First United Methodist Church! Thanks for worshipping with us! We hope you experienced God's love for your life while you were here. If this is your first time, we hope you'll come back. If you wish to know more about our church, here's how:

- ❖ Please contact Rev. Freeman at efreeman@umcna.org or (205)393-2232; or at heypreacher.wordpress.com
- ❖ Visit our website – www.Winfieldfumc.com
- ❖ We're on Facebook – **Winfield First United Methodist Church**
- ❖ Call or e-mail the church office at (205)487-2405 or info@winfieldfumc.com

In Worship Today:

- ❖ Rev. Earl Freeman
- ❖ Laura Lesley – Choir Director
- ❖ Amanda Anderson – Asst. Choir Director/Pianist
- ❖ Carol Dickinson – Organist
- ❖ Amy Clelland, Sherry Cunningham, Petra Davis, and Cynthia Tyra – Ushers

Church Staff

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John 15:1-8

1 "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vineyard keeper. 2 He removes any of my branches that don't produce fruit, and he trims any branch that produces fruit so that it will produce even more fruit. 3 You are already trimmed because of the word I have spoken to you. 4 Remain in me, and I will remain in you. A branch can't produce fruit by itself, but must remain in the vine. Likewise, you can't produce fruit unless you remain in me. 5 I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, then you will produce much fruit. Without me, you can't do anything. 6 If you don't remain in me, you will be like a branch that is thrown out and dries up. Those branches are gathered up, thrown into a fire, and burned. 7 If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. 8 My Father is glorified when you produce much fruit and in this way prove that you are my disciples.

Thank You for the cards we received and the prayers you lifted up for us. They were of much comfort to us during this difficult time.

In Christ's Love,

Jim and Pat Russell

Ushers for August:

- ❖ Amy Clelland, Sherry Cunningham, Petra Davis, & Cynthia Tyra

Weekly Events:

- ❖ Bible Study, Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m., except for First Wednesday, when Bible Study will be at 5:30 - 6:00 p.m. Starting Sept. 06, Bible Study will move to Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ Middle School Youth Meeting, Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. until September 06, when it will move to 5:00 p.m.
- ❖ High School Youth Meeting, Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m., starting September 06
- ❖ Choir Practice, Wednesdays:
 - ❖ Children & Youth practice at 6:00 p.m.
 - ❖ First Adults practice at 7:00 p.m., August 23
 - ❖ First Children practice at 6:30 p.m., September 06

Monthly Events:

- ❖ **Wesleyan Fellowship**, Monday, August 28, at 6:30 p.m.
- ❖ **First Wednesday Potluck Dinner**, September 6, at 5:00 p.m.
- ❖ **Middle School Youth Fund Raiser**, serving ice cream September 06, at Potluck Dinner at 5:30 p.m.
- ❖ **Methodist Men's Breakfast**, Sunday, September 17, 7:30 a.m.
- ❖ **Finance Committee Meeting**, Sunday, Sept. 17, at 4:30 p.m.
- ❖ **Administrative Board Meeting**, Sunday, Sept. 17, at 6:00 p.m.

Disciple New Testament Study-Introductory Meeting: August 20, 4:00 p.m., Group will meet in the Fellowship Hall to schedule meetings, etc.

Prayer Requests & Praises

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Church Family:

Chuck Alexander	Glenn May
Nell Attaway	Harold McDonald
Edd & Mary Jim Black	Vicky McGee, surgery
Max & Patsy Brasher	Jim & Sue Perry (Sue in hospice)
Misty Brown	Hilda Smith
Debra Burnett, in ICU after surgery	Family of Brenda Spiller, who
Rose Byrd, new cancer treatment	passed away recently
Patsy Earnest	Amanda Carothers South
Marie Hill	Deborah Tidwell

Extended Family:

Dennis Austin (nephew of Linda McDonald)

Lurleen Avery (Pam Brasher's sister's mother-in-law)

Marsha Baker, cancer (sister of Roger Davis)

Allen Barber, cancer has returned (friend of the Sexton family)

Zoé Benton

Brandon Bostick (grandson of Sonya and Jr. Bostick)

Sam Cunningham, 7th grade boy in Vestavia Hills, cancer (Vicky & Larry McGee)

Allen Davis

Mac Fender

Nick Fox (friend of Jim Raines)

Jeff Halcomb, cancer (friend of Jimmy Chaffin)

Danny Harbin, cancer (friend of Linda McDonald)

Martha Harris (friend of Linda McDonald)

Bobby Lacey, leukemia

Danny Loftis (nephew of Linda McDonald)

Brandi Lowe (daughter of Chuck & Ginny Dickerson)

Beth Mason (sister of Lynn Crook)

Myra Miles

Will Nailen, 8th grade boy in Vestavia Hills, cancer (Vicky & Larry McGee)

Duane Odell, stage 4 breast cancer (friend of Deborah Tidwell)

Bob Page

Dan Peoples, amputation of lower leg (brother of David Peoples)

Family of Brenda Pickle, who is in hospice (aunt of Pam Brasher)

Larry & Marion Reese

Sheree Roberts, cancer (friend of Jim & Jane Raines)

William Robert Rodgers (brother of Harry Rodgers)

James & Pat Russell, whose son passed away (Ronnie was Jack & Hermi's nephew)

Karen Shelly, health concerns (friend of Roger & Petra Davis)

Melissa Shelman

Kaitlyn Studdard

Glynda Swinney, chemo (friend of Linda Housh)

Jim & Brenda Taylor (friend Linda McDonald)

Roy Dale Tidwell, surgery for colon cancer (brother of Tex Tidwell)

Jerry Tucker (nephew of C. W. Box)

Rose Warren, chemotherapy for cancer

Karl Yeager, heart & kidney issues (friend of Bill Belle Isle)



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