First United Methodist Church

July 23, 2017

Sixth Sunday After Pentecost

Prelude

Carol Dickinson

"How Great Thou Art" - Arrg. Carter

Call to Worship

Choir

"Seek Ye First" (vs. 1,2) (UMH 405)

Invocation

Rev. Freeman

*Gloria Patri

UMH 70

"Glory Be to the Father"

*Hymn

UMH 404

"Every Time I Feel the Spirit" (vs. 1,2)

*Affirmation of Faith

UMH 881

The Apostles' Creed

Children's Time

Rev. Freeman

Offertory

Carol Dickinson

"Wonderful Words of Life" - Arrg. Bliss

*Doxology

UMH 95

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

*Hymn

UMH 528

"Nearer, My God, to Thee" (vs. 1,2,3)

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Freeman

Anthem

Kara & Wren

"Lord, I Need You"

Scripture

Matthew 13:24-30

Sermon

Rev. Freeman

"Let It Grow"

*Hymn

UMH 591

"Rescue the Perishing" (vs. 1,4)

*Benediction

Choral Benediction

Choir

"In Your Time" (vs. 2)(FWS 2203)

*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 <u>efreeman@umcna.org</u> or (205)393-2232; or at <u>heypreacher.wordpress.com</u>
- ❖ 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
- Todd Birdsong, Russell Carothers, Steve Reaves, and Jason Tucker – Ushers

Church Staff

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Matthew 13:24-30

24 Jesus told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like someone who planted good seed in his field. 25 While people were sleeping, an enemy came and planted weeds among the wheat and went away. 26 When the stalks sprouted and bore grain, then the weeds also appeared. 27 "The servants of the landowner came and said to him, 'Master, didn't you plant good seed in your field? Then how is it that it has weeds?' 28 "'An enemy has done this,' he answered. "The servants said to him, 'Do you want us to go and gather them?' 29 "But the landowner said, 'No, because if you gather the weeds, you'll pull up the wheat along with them. 30 Let both grow side by side until the harvest. And at harvesttime I'll say to the harvesters, First gather the weeds and tie them together in bundles to be burned. But bring the wheat into my barn."

Announcements

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Native American Artifacts:

Today, Sunday, July 23rd, Jack Russell will be showing his collection of Native American artifacts in our Fellowship Hall. Adults are invited from 3:00-5:00. At 5:00, Jack will hold a special session for children, answering questions and teaching about the items. Jack has spent many years collecting, so this will be a great opportunity for us!

VBS Pool Party:

- ❖ The Pool Party will be Monday, July 24, at the Guin Water Park at 5:30 p.m.
- Anyone who would like to make a donation to our VBS mission project, Backpacks & Beyond, may do so at the Pool Party.

Church Cleanout:

• We are planning to do a "Church Cleanout." If you have anything you have stored at the Church, please retrieve it ASAP or it will be discarded.
Jimmy Chaffin, Trustee

Ushers for July:

Todd Birdsong, Russell Carothers, Steve Reaves, & Jason Tucker

Weekly Events:

- ❖ Bible Study, Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m.
- ❖ Youth Meeting, Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ Adult Choir Practice, Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. (suspended until August)

Monthly Events:

- ❖ Wesleyan Fellowship, Monday, July 24, at 6:30 p.m.
- ❖ First Wednesday Potluck Dinner, August 2, at 5:30 p.m.
- Methodist Men's Breakfast, Sunday, August 20, 7:30 a.m.
- ❖ Finance Committee Meeting, Sunday, August 20, at 4:30 p.m.
- ❖ Administrative Board Meeting, Sunday, August 20, at 6:00 p.m.
- Wesleyan Fellowship, Monday, August 21, at 6:30 p.m.

Memorials

- David Keeton: Donations have been made to the Memorial Fund in memory of David Keeton by Russell & Becky Carothers, Jim & Carol Dickinson, and Scott and Reneé Shirley.
- Alidean Cochran: A donation has been made to the Memorial Fund in memory of Alidean Cochran by Russell & Becky Carothers.
- Cindy Nichols: Donations have been made to the Memorial Fund in memory of Cindy Nichols by Russell & Becky Carothers, and Jim & Carol Dickinson.
- Frank Housh: A donation has been made to the Memorial Fund in memory of Frank Housh by Russell & Becky Carothers.
- Rosa Ward: A donation has been made to the Memorial Fund in memory of Rosa Ward by Jim & Carol Dickinson.

Alter Flowers

Flowers were placed at the altar today by Betty Lawrence in loving memory of her mother.

Prayer Requests

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Church Family:

Chuck Alexander Family of David Keeton

Nell Attaway Glenn May

Edd & Mary Jim Black Harold McDonald

Max & Patsy Brasher Mark Nichols & Family

Misty Brown Hermi Russell

Rose Byrd, new cancer treatment Hilda Smith

Patsy Earnest Amanda Carothers South

Marie Hill Deborah Tidwell

Jim & Sue Perry have moved to assisted living in GA. New address is:

Big Spring Place, Room #34, 131 Melissa Lane, Cedartown, GA 30125.

Extended Family:

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

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

Bill Foster (brother-in-law of Earl Ray Norris)

Jennifer Fowler (friend of Misty Brown)

Jordan Frye (friend of Lann & Donna Stewart)

Jeff Halcomb, cancer (friend of Jimmy Chaffin)

Danny Harbin, cancer (friend of Linda McDonald)

Martha Harris (friend of Linda McDonald)

Bobby Lacey, leukemia

Beth Mason (sister of Lynn Crook)

Myra Miles

Tammy Mozingo, completed 12 weeks in full body cast (niece of Deborah Tidwell)

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, amputation of lower led (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)

The Jim Russell family, whose son passed away (son was Jack & Hermi's nephew)

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

Mellissa Shelman

Buddy Smithers (cancer) & wife, Ginny (caretaker) (friends of Jim Raines)

Kaitlyn Studdard

Glynda Swinney, chemo (friend of Linda Housh)

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

Jerry Tucker (nephew of C. W. Box)

Family of Rosa Ward, who passed away recently

Rose Warren, chemotherapy for cancer

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

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