

# First United Methodist Church

July 30, 2017

Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

<b>Prelude</b>	Amanda Anderson <i>"Lord, Be Glorified" – Arrg. Anderson</i>
<b>Call to Worship</b>	Choir <i>"I Love You, Lord" (FWS 2068)</i>
<b>Invocation</b>	Rev. Freeman
<b>*Gloria Patri</b>	UMH 70 <i>"Glory Be to the Father"</i>
<b>*Hymn</b>	UMH 521 <i>"I Want Jesus to Walk with Me" (vs. 1,2,3)</i>
<b>*Affirmation of Faith</b>	UMH 881 <i>The Apostles' Creed</i>
<b>Children's Time</b>	Rev. Freeman
<b>Offertory</b>	Amanda Anderson <i>"Just a Closer Walk with Thee" – Arrg. Anderson</i>
<b>*Doxology</b>	UMH 95 <i>"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"</i>
<b>*Hymn</b>	UMH 154 <i>"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" (vs. 1,2,6)</i>
<b>Pastoral Prayer</b>	Rev. Freeman
<b>Anthem</b>	Trio: Amanda, Jim, Laura <i>"Whispered Prayers"</i>
<b>Scripture</b>	Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52
<b>Sermon</b>	Rev. Freeman <i>"What Are You Looking For?"</i>

**\*Hymn** UMH 569

*"We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" (vs. 1,2,4)*

**\*Benediction**

**Choral Benediction**

Choir

*"In His Time" (vs. 2) (FWS 2203)*

*\*Please stand as you are able*

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**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](mailto:efreeman@umcna.org) or (205)393-2232; or at [heypreacher.wordpress.com](http://heypreacher.wordpress.com)
- ❖ Visit our website – [www.Winfieldfumc.com](http://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](mailto: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

- ❖ **Rev. Earl Freeman**, Pastor; (205)393-2232;  
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### **Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52**

**31** He told another parable to them: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and planted in his field. **32** It's the smallest of all seeds. But when it's grown, it's the largest of all vegetable plants. It becomes a tree so that the birds in the sky come and nest in its branches." **33** He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast, which a woman took and hid in a bushel of wheat flour until the yeast had worked its way through all the dough." **44** "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure that somebody hid in a field, which someone else found and covered up. Full of joy, the finder sold everything and bought that field. **45** "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls. **46** When he found one very precious pearl, he went and sold all that he owned and bought it. **47** "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that people threw into the lake and gathered all kinds of fish. **48** When it was full, they pulled it to the shore, where they sat down and put the good fish together into containers. But the bad fish they threw away. **49** That's the way it will be at the end of the present age. The angels will go out and separate the evil people from the righteous people, **50** and will throw the evil ones into a burning furnace. People there will be weeping and grinding their teeth. **51** "Have you understood all these things?" Jesus asked. They said to him, "Yes." **52** Then he said to them, "Therefore, every legal expert who has been trained as a disciple for the kingdom of heaven is like the head of a household who brings old and new things out of their treasure chest."

## **Announcements**

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### 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

### 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.
- ❖ Youth Meeting, Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.
- ❖ Choir Practice, Wednesdays:
  - ❖ First Youth practice at 6:00 p.m., August 2
  - ❖ First Adults practice at 7:00 p.m., August 23

### Monthly Events:

- ❖ **First Wednesday Potluck Dinner**, August 2, at 5:00 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 H.E. & Mary Bostick, and by Jim & Jane Raines.

### Special Request from Jack & Hermi Russell

Ronnie Russell, son of Jim and Pat Russell passed away July 17. Jack & Hermi say that your cards of encouragement and uplifting to Jim and Pat will be greatly appreciated. Their address is:

James C. and Pat Russell

955 Mountain Dr.

Fort Payne, AL 35967

### Prayer Requests & Praises

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#### Church Family:

Chuck Alexander

Glenn May

Nell Attaway

Harold McDonald

Edd & Mary Jim Black

Jim & Sue Perry

Max & Patsy Brasher

Hermi Russell

Misty Brown

Hilda Smith

Rose Byrd, new cancer treatment

Amanda Carothers South

Patsy Earnest

Deborah Tidwell

Marie Hill

#### Extended Family:

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, 7<sup>th</sup> grade boy in Vestavia Hills, cancer (Vicky & Larry McGee)

Allen Davis

Mac Fender

Jeff Halcomb, cancer (friend of Jimmy Chaffin)

Danny Harbin, cancer (friend of Linda McDonald)

Martha Harris (friend of Linda McDonald)

Bobby Lacey, leukemia

Brandi Lowe (daughter of Chuck & Ginny Dickerson)

Beth Mason (sister of Lynn Crook)

Myra Miles

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

Will Nailen, 8<sup>th</sup> 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

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)

Rose Warren, chemotherapy for cancer

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

**Praise Report:** Rose Byrd just completed the 2<sup>nd</sup> cycle of her new cancer treatment program, and is already making good improvement. She thanks you for all your prayers.

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