

Wasn't it yesterday when they were toddling around, with snaggle-toothed grins, playing little league and having dance recitals?

When our 2018 seniors stand before us this Sunday, we will all be awash with memories of them and dreams for them. Rev. Rick Lane has written a beautiful series of prayers that parents, seniors, pastors, and the full congregation will pray together at our 11:00 worship service this Sunday to give thanks to God for our graduates.

We will surround our graduates with those who have taught them what it means to live a Christian life. They will be surrounded by those who have taught them to serve in the community and love their neighbor. They will be surrounded by those who have shown them how to sing God's praises. They will be surrounded by those who have shown them compassion in their times of trial. They will be surrounded by those who have taught them to study God's Holy Word. They will be surrounded by those who have shown them what it means to be the Body of Christ.

I cannot help but rejoice as I think of the faith that you have nurtured in this generation of graduates. May we love God and love these seniors as they take the next step in life's adventures.



Robin Wilson

2018 High School Graduates

William Henry Brown, Jr.
DeWitt Gardner Daffin
Katelynn Reynolds Epperson
William Taylor Jones, Jr.
Benjamin Clay Meadows
Madison Leigh Moreman
Lauren Elizabeth Newman
Carson Raines Plan
Justin Thomas Whitlow
Davis Butterfield Whittelsey, Jr.

LAITY MINISTRY THIS WEEK

Greeters
8:30 a.m.: Buddy & Becky Young;
Bill & Barbara Kent

11:00 a.m.:
O.D. & Colleen Alsobrook;
Charles & Ann Bentley

Gathering Music
Nathan Goff

Cross Bearer
11:00 a.m.:
Baker Rowton

Acolytes
8:30 a.m.:
Jackson & Sadie Rainey

11:00 a.m.:
Hannah Cottrell &
Hannah Halverson

Sound & Video
8:30 a.m.: Nathan Goff
11:00 a.m.: Will Levins &
Peter Elliott

Ushers
8:30 am: Myles Tatum, Sr.
(Captain); Michael Bass;
Blake Epperson;
Crawford Tatum, III
11:00 am: Mike McKee (Captain);
O.D. Alsobrook; Bo Bryan;
Al Cook; Bill Levins; John Rice;
Jake Thompson

Welcome Letters
Barbara Sims

Nurturing Notes
Pat Brown

Flower Ministry
Vikki Hendricks,
Bill & Nell Samford

Hospital Visitation Ministry
May 21 - Fay Burns
May 22 - Donna Moreman
May 23 - Judy Smith
May 24 - Rhonda Boothe
May 28 - Margaret Whittelsey

Tuesday Office Volunteer
Jo Lovell

Jail Ministry
Cynn timer James, Laura Fuller,
Anne Whittelsey,
Margaret Rogers,
Danielle Fornea

ATTENDANCE & GIVING

May 13, 2018

Attendance
Sunday School: 203
Worship: Sunday Morning: 502

Giving
Weekly Offering: \$31,002

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, May 20
8:30 a.m. - Worship
9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
11:00 a.m. - Worship
4:00 p.m. - One Accord
5:00 p.m. - SN Youth

Tuesday, May 22
12:00 p.m. - UMW Salad Luncheon

Wednesday, May 23
7:00 a.m. - Men's Devo
6:00 p.m. - Chancel Choir

Thursday, May 24
5:15 p.m. - L.A.F.F.

MEMORIALS

Jim Royal:
Mary Carol Hitchcock
Nell & Bill Samford
Gene & Bo Torbert

HONORARIA

Gus Krehling:
Jim & Jeannie Green
Nolen Wilson:
Rebecca Crews

SUMMER PLAYLIST

Summer Playlist

No one sings like United Methodists! Everyone has hymns that have brought them close to God. Indeed, we learn about faith, grace, salvation, and more through these lyrics and melodies that shape us.

During the 5 Sundays of July, we will be singing YOUR favorite hymns, and molding our worship around the ways these special songs communicate the love of Christ. In order to do this, we need your help. Please email Laura Boggs (lauraboggs@fumcopelika.org) with your 5 favorite hymns, and why they are meaningful to you. The top 5 hymns will be the ones we use as our themes each Sunday, so all submissions must be received by May 25 at 12:00 pm.

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

Orphanage Emmanuel Mission Trip - July 12 to July 19, 2018

Join us for a life changing trip to Orphanage Emmanuel, Honduras where you will be the hands and feet of Jesus. For more information, please contact Sara Jane Tatum sjtatum@att.net

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

"VBS" (Vacation Bible School): June 18 - 21 (Babylon - Daniel's Courage in Captivity)

Experience the thrill of traveling back to ancient *Babylon* with Daniel and his friends.

We need volunteers!!! Please contact Priscilla Blythe or Drew Speakman if you can help!

Jail Ministry - May 15, 2018

Volunteers: Jean Heath, Colleen Alsobrook, Fay Burns, Margaret Rogers

Inmates ministered to: 36 men

Bibles Given: 4

Message: "Tough Trials" - Danielle Fornea

Rejoice that God cares enough about our character to allow trials to come into our lives to teach and train us.

Scripture reference: James 1:2-3

YOUTH NEWS

Sunday Morning Youth: Every Sunday morning on the 4th floor in the Cross Cafe from 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Milk and cereal and God's Word!

Youth Promotion (everyone moves up a grade) is Sunday, May 20th!

Graduation Sunday is Sunday, May 20th at the 11am service!

Sunday Night Youth on May 20th

Jr Hi Choir from 4-5pm

Jr Hi Youth from 5-6:30pm

Sr Hi Choir from 4:30-5:30pm

Sr Hi Youth from 5:30-7:30pm

SUMMER CALENDARS ARE HERE!!!!

SUMMER SIGN UP SHEETS ARE UP ON THE BOARD! Start signing up!

Prayer Concerns

EAMC:

Lynda Jimmerson
(Betty Hilyer's sister)

Arbor Springs Rehab:

Mildred Beals

Brookwood (Alabaster):

Dot Rice (Pat Mayfield & Debbi Thornton's sister)

Encompass Health (Dothan):

Natalie Woods (Valerie Smith's sister)

Emory (Atlanta): Bobby Turner

(friend of Sherri Rowton)

Pennsylvania Presbyterian:

Howard Hoch (Sue Bentley's father)

Home:

David Alexander
(Marcia Alexander's husband)

Dean Bledsoe

Sharolin Bravo

Jan Burke

Mable Collins (Arbor Springs)

Lori Botta Conner

Bette Corley
(Nann Ogletree's mother)

Kathryn Cooper

Betty & Hal Cummings

Trinchua Dukes

Libby Gaberlavage

Kay Gifford (friend of Stevie & Charlie Couey)

Anne Grady

Kathy Groves

Bob Hall

Bill Harrelson

Lou Harrelson

Barbara Hartley
(Marrell Hartley's mother)

Dottie Holmes

Bobby Huling

Donna Moreman

Dot Norrell

Oscar Penn

Julene Pugh

Pooker Robertson

Joan Salter

Fran Smith

Theron Sorrell

(Jake Thompson's grandfather)

Judy Welsh (Jeff Welsh's mother)

Jody Wilkerson

(Deborah Mitchell's brother)

Steve Young

Out of Town:

Evan Ashby (Macy Finck's cousin)

Scott Boggs (brother of Kenneth Boggs)

Shirley Brown

(Ginger Perkins' sister-in-law)

Ruth Chen (friend of Wei Beach)

Shannon Cook

(friend of Earle & Kenny Wilkes)

Traci Hart (Pam Hope's sister-in-law)

Sam Hayes, Jr.

(Sharon & Ron Rooks' grandson)

Carolyn Hicks (Lisa Abercrombie's mother)

Glynda Holliman (Sam Bailey's niece)

Julia Kirby (Peggy Dyar's mother)

Graham Lane (friend of Sherry & Richard Freeman)

Allen Liu (Wei Beach's nephew)

Lexi Melton

(great niece of Stanley Melton, III)

Bob Miller

(Sam Bailey's brother-in-law)

Frazier Moreman (Julia Moreman's son; Richard & Wallace's brother)

Sherry Parrish

(Meg Branch's step-mother)

Lea Botsford Perez

(daughter of Betty Botsford & sister of Leslie Anabtawi)

June Pyle (Ken Woolley's sister)

Marian Rogers

(Emily Finck's grandmother)

Carolyn Sell

(Jo Vaughan's daughter)

Gladys Shackelford

(Richard Shackelford's mother)

Jackie Spann (Terri Knight's sister)

Hilt Tatum, III (Corinne Hurst's brother)

Brian Taylor

(Glenda & Charles Bush's son)

Bobby Woodruff

(Caroline Bush's uncle)

Military:

Beau Carroll (friend of the Perkins)

Tyler Carter

(son of Tommy & Lynn Carter)

Michael Fischer, & T J Fischer

(friends of Phyllis & Jim Mayfield)

Robert Grozmann

(Bob Ingram's nephew)

Garrett Guess

(Becky Bailey's nephew)

Paul Leonard (Fay Burns' cousin)

Dalton Lucas

(son of Todd & Stacey Lucas)

Will McKee (son of Mike & Ginger McKee)

Chandler Norris (cousin of Mary

Virginia Norris & Louisa Wood)

Alex Pendergraph

(Janet Taylor's grandson)

Jacob Ramus

(Phyllis & Jim Mayfield's son-in-law)

Kennard R. Smith (friend of Anne &

Sheldon Whittelsey)

Ronnie Snyder

(grandson of Arden Snyder)

Bubba Sumrall

(son of Leslie Sumrall)

Drew Tatum

(son of Crawford & Lynn Tatum)

Christian Sympathy...

...is extended to Pam Alsobrook and all of the family upon the death of her brother, Starnes Windsor.