



ALDERSGATE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NEWS FROM THE PEWS

SEPTEMBER 2020

Aldersgate's Mission Statement:

GATHER in Community—GROW through Discipleship—GO into the world

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00 a.m. Outdoor Service

11:00 a.m. Indoor Service

OFFICE DETAILS:

Hours: There is someone in the office for several hours each day during the week. You can come by but we will be using Social Distancing procedures.

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STAFF

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Rev. Marcus Johnston (ext. 110)

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Program Director:

Lynn Boan (ext. 103)

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Jennifer Smith (ext. 102)

Youth Director:

Jonathan Brooks (ext. 104)

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Mark Hodges

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Custodian:

Shpendi Dani



EPWORTH CHILDREN'S HOME WORK DAY OFFERING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020

The Work Day offering for Epworth Children's Home is a tradition that dates back decades when Methodists were challenged to "Give a Day's Pay" to the children at Epworth. While the emphasis has shifted a bit over the years, it is still important that we come together to provide spiritual, educational, emotional and physical support for the children at Epworth. As you consider what God is calling you to give to support our church's ministry to children, remember Christ's command to let the little children come to him. He embraces them, welcomes them, loves them and teaches them. Epworth is answering this call to let the little children come. Your generous contribution to our church's ministry enables transformation to happen for the children who call Epworth home. Epworth does not receive apportionments from the United Methodist Conference. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry.

For more information about Epworth Children's Home, visit them on the web at

www.epworthchildrenshome.org.



SEPTEMBER Birthdays

Ann Hubbard	1
David White	3
June Stitzel	6
Jen Smith	9
Mary Beth Copeland	10
Kevin Vannoy	14
Larry Brown	15
Gene Hunter	15
Shawn White	18
Tym Brace	19
Judy McCool	19
Monty Player	19
Fran Wheat	20
Ronald Burnett	21
Von Peggs	21
Pat Boozer	25
Norma Heriot	26
Philip Watry	27
Mike Boan	29

IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

Norm & Betty Taylor, Sonny Andrews, Laura Anglin, Betty Hodges, Nell Swartz, Faye Hampton, Larry Nettles, Mary Saunders, Mavis Britton, Jill Bennett, Ruth Johnson, Lora Osborn, Lynn Boan, Morgan White (deployed), Carey Player, Doug Wright, John Watt, Annie Day, Jim Wilkinson



The family of Joan Moon who passed away on August 13, 2020 in Florida.



Church Care Taker for the month of September is Doug Hammond.



Happy September! Our youth (grades 6th-12th) are continuing to meet outdoors on Sunday and Wednesday evenings, typically from 6:30-8pm, as we continue to take precautions against Covid-19. We will be continuing our Gospel Project Bible Study on Wednesday nights this Fall and we will also be participating in a Construction Ministry Workday on Saturday, September 12th. Contact Jon if you are interested in helping!



"Baby Bottle Boomerang"



The Baby bottles filled with your loose change needs to be returned to the church by September 6th. The proceeds go to Sumter Pregnancy Center.

UMW FOOD DRIVE

During the month of September the UMW is going to sponsor a church-wide food drive for Christian Charities. We'll have boxes at the entrances of the church and one set out for the outdoor service to place the food items in.

Suggested Items Needed

Canned meats, canned fruit, soup, and instant potatoes.

SEPTEMBER CIRCLE MEETINGS

Tuesday, September 1, 2020

Circle #1: 10:00 a.m. in Conference Room

Circle #2: 7:00 p.m. in Conference Room

SEPTEMBER MEETINGS

Tuesday, September 8

6:30pm Nurture

6:30pm Nominations and Leadership Dev. Team

Thursday, September 10

5:30pm Trustees

6:30pm Worship and Health/Welfare

Monday, September 14

6:30pm Finance

Tuesday, September 15

6:30pm UMW Board

Thursday, September 17

6:30pm SPRC (Zoom meeting)

Monday, September 21

6:30pm Church Council



We all take turns in different things in life. I have had a great turn at being the children's Director at Aldersgate. I want to thank all the children for all the fun times and memories we shared in the past. I also want to thank the parents for sharing their children with me! Beginning September 1st it will be Jennifer Smith's turn to be the children's Director. Thank you for all your support and I ask you to now support Jen as she starts this new chapter.

Thank you,
Pam King

PARENT/KID'S CONSTRUCTION DAY

Join us on September 12 from 10:00am-12:00pm for our Parent & Kids Construction Day for grades K-5th grade.



The day will focus on introducing kids on why it's important to gather, grow, & go to spread the gospel.

While the children are learning to build crosses their parents will be working on building a ramp for an in need Sumter resident.

All Covid recommendations from DHEC will be followed. Masks will be provided. Call 803-847-0285 with any questions or to sign up. Space is limited.

My Beloved Church Family,

No words can adequately communicate the gratitude I have in my heart for the countless ways in which you have shown your love to Annie and myself, as well as the rest of my family during these past several months. To be sure without your care and kindness, we would not have been able to endure the grieving process nearly as well as we have, and for that we are forever indebted to our Heavenly Father.

Since my mother went to be with the Lord in April, your thoughts, prayers, cards, calls, texts, emails, meals, etc. have blessed us far more than we could ever thank you. However, we would be remiss if we didn't at least try to express our deepest appreciation for the love with which you continue to exhibit, day in and day out, as together, we strive to honor our Lord and Savior, especially when one of us walks through the valley of the shadow of death. So, thanks for always being there for us, others, and one another, selflessly giving your time and talents to the Great Commandment and Commission!!!! You have a special place in our hearts and always will!!!

With Love from JESUS,

Pastor David



September 13, 2020



BLOOD DRIVE
Aldersgate UMC
Thursday, September 24, 2020
2:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

To schedule your appointment please visit www.redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: Aldersgate Sumter or use 29150.

THE NEED IS GREAT! PLEASE GIVE IF YOU CAN



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 10:00am Circle #1 Conf. Room 7:00pm Circle #2 Conf. Room	2 6:30pm Youth	3	4	5
6  9:00am Outdoor Worship 11:00am Indoor Worship 6:30pm Youth <i>Return filled baby bottles</i>	7 Office Closed for Labor Day.	8 6:30pm Nurture Committee (CR) 6:30pm Nomina- tions & Leadership (FH)	9 6:30pm Youth	10 5:30pm Trustees 6:30pm Worship/ Health & Welfare (FH)	11	12 10:00am-12:00pm Parent & Kids Construction Day
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