

THE WHITFIELD



SPIRIT

For Members and Friends of Whitfield Memorial United Methodist Church
September 11-September 17, 2016

September 11 Service of Remembrance

Dear Whitfield Family,

Hello to my brothers and sisters in Christ. This Sunday, September 11, marks the fifteenth anniversary of the terrorist attacks on our nation. I am confident that each of us remembers where we were when we first heard about this unspeakable tragedy and watched it unfold before our eyes. As individuals and a nation, we are forever changed due to the events of September 11, 2001. During our 8:15 and 10:30 worship services on this anniversary Sunday, we will take part in a service of remembrance which will include special music, prayers, scripture and other meaningful elements. Please make every effort to take part and bring others with you. Please enter the sanctuary in a spirit of quiet reflection, which will be the tone of the entire service. I look forward to sharing this special time of worship and remembrance with you. The following prayer of remembrance is shared by Dr. Jeremy Pridgeon, pastor of Montgomery's First United Methodist Church.

A Prayer for the Anniversary of 9/11

*O God, our hope and refuge,
in our distress we come quickly to you.
Shock and horror of that tragic day have subsided,
replaced now with an emptiness,
a longing for an innocence lost.
We come remembering those who lost their lives
in New York, Washington D.C., and Pennsylvania.
We are mindful of the sacrifice of public servants
who demonstrated the greatest love of all
by laying down their lives for friends.
We commit their souls to your eternal care
and celebrate their gifts to a fallen humanity.
We come remembering
and we come in hope,
not in ourselves, but in you.
As foundations we once thought secure have been shaken,
we are reminded of the illusion of security.
In commemorating this tragedy,
we give you thanks for your presence
in our time of need
and we seek to worship you in Spirit and in truth,
our guide and our guardian. Amen.*

Remembering with you,
Carolyn

Weekly Focused Corporate Prayer: Please pray for our nation and its leaders.



Ladies' Tuesday Bible Study
September 20 @ 2:00 PM
The Best of J. Ellsworth Kalas

Pick up your books from Patty BEFORE the first class.

Whitfield UMW Circle Meetings September, 2016

Morning Circle will meet on:

Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 10:00AM
 In the Sheppard Center

Hostesses: Betty Brasher and Ella Mae Eggers
 Chairperson: Jan Heath

RSVP: Gail Gilmore 396-3358

◆ The Evening Circle will meet on:

Thursday, September 22, 2016 at 7.00PM
 at 3016 Merrimac - Home of Nancy Allen
 Hosting is: Cover Dish

Chairperson: Bonnie Shanks

Wednesday Afternoon Prayer Group

A new prayer group will begin meeting this Wednesday, Sept. 14 at 2:00 p.m. Come and join us in prayer for our Whitfield family, our church, our country, and our world.

Lifeline Screening

Monday, September 12

Life Line Screening will be at Whitfield Memorial United Methodist Church on Monday, September 12, 2016 offering five safe, painless, non-invasive preventive health screenings that are typically not a part of a routine physical. Appointments are limited, so please sign up now by calling 1-800-690-6495 and receive a \$10 discount off the package or visit Life Line Screening's website at www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.

Welcome Bishop Graves!

A Service Celebrating the Episcopal Assignment of Bishop David William Graves to the Alabama-West Florida Conference will be held on Sunday, September 11 at Montgomery FUMC at 4:00pm in the sanctuary.

Attendance September 4, 2016

Sunday School 52 Morning Worship 94

Wednesday Night Dinner and Programs
September 14

Menu: Beef Tips & Rice, Pineapple Casserole, Side Salad, Roll & Dessert.

Program: Blue Lake Camp Night

Trusting the Covenant
Bible Study

Thursdays, September 22
 through November 10.

10:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.



Are you ready to PoP?

New weekly family prayer group - **Power of Prayer** (PoP) - will meet on Wednesday afternoons at 4:30, beginning September 21, 2016. This group is open to all - children, parents, older adults, youth. James tells us that "the prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective." (5:17) Come join us.

Library

Wednesdays, 4:30 p.m.

Stay for Fellowship Supper & Programs following.

A+ Trip to Tuskegee

A+ will sponsor a trip to Tuskegee on Monday, October 3, to tour the Tuskegee Airmen's Historic Site, the George Washington Carver Museum and the Oaks—home of Booker T. Washington. Transportation will be provided and the museums are free as they are under the National Park Service. Lunch will be "on your own" between tours in downtown Tuskegee. Since advance reservations are required for groups of ten or more, you will need to sign up in the church office by Monday, September 19, if you wish to join us.

SOUND SYSTEM TRAINING

Anyone needing to use the sound system in the Sheppard Center must be trained beforehand by Dan Dillon. Please call Dan if you need to be trained.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar September 11 are offered to the Glory of God and in celebration of our long and happy marriage by Peggy & Brownie Brown.

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Sunday, September 11

Worship Service	8:15 a.m.
Sunday School	9:15 a.m.
Morning Social	10:00 a.m.
Choir Practice	10:00 a.m.
Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
UMYF	11:30 a.m.
Handbell Practice	4:00 p.m.

Monday, September 12

Walking Group (M-F)	7:15 a.m.
Lifeline Screening	8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, September 13

Prayer Group	7:15 a.m.
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Wednesday, September 14

Prayer Group	2:00 p.m.
Fellowship Supper	5:30 p.m.
Choir Practice	7:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 15

No events currently scheduled

Friday, September 16

Sew n sews	10:00 a.m.
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Saturday, September 17

No events currently scheduled

**New Tween Sunday School Class!
Beginning October 2 @ 9:15 a.m.
Parlor, Education Building**

Our kids are growing up, and we've got a new class to grow with them. Alice Henley will lead a Sunday school class for students in grades 6 - 9. Our first curriculum will lead our tweens through Confirmation studies, as they prepare to become full members of the church.

Youth News

Last week we discussed praying and how it is our way to communicate with God. He wants us to talk to him, this helps develop our relationship more and more with him as well as reading the Bible. And to help with Bible reading and devotionals, don't forget to take home a copy of the Upper Room devotionals that are usually available in the Narthex.

Praise The Lord!

Beverly

PSALM 139:23-24

²³ Search me, O God, and know my heart;
test me and know my thoughts.
²⁴ See if there is any wicked way in me,
and lead me in the way everlasting.

CHARGE CONFERENCE REPORTS DUE

Please return your completed Charge Conference reports to me by Sunday, September 11.

Thank you,

Carolyn

You Are In Our Prayers!!

Whitfield Members

Vivian Rogers, Kirk Wood, Jay Byrd, Louise Gargus, Peggy Brown, Martha Parker, Henrietta Cusick, Elmer Rogers, Alma Reynolds, Jo Moody, Peter Brambir, Betty Woodson, Libby Richardson, Joan Rodgers, Thursa Brown, John Woodson, Dottie Suber, Charlotte Brambir, Mildred Jones, Betty Fuller, Helon Haack, Kay Littlepage, Brownie Brown, Lib Cain, Tom Burns, Caryll Carrick, Elmer Stelk, Eloise Parsons, Sawyer Johns, Bill Fischer, Allison East, Jim Solomon, Edna Kohn, Jim Vice

Home Bound Members (in-town)

Lois Payne, Nealie Pruitt, Emmett Turner, Teresa Chavers, Ruby Solomon, Margaret Deacy, Wayne Read, Delores Dodson, Mitzi Warren, Hazel Askew

Home Bound Members (out of town)

Elaine McBride, Martha Payne, Juanita Pritchett, Katie Hopper, Blenda Lushington

Friends of Whitfield

Wayne Russell, Verna Stevens, Mary Mellott, Bill Miller, Jeff Varner, Doug Dennis, Sharon Brugh, Margaret Ann Batley, Gwinn Corley, Emma Hope Shaw, Joy Lushington, Marty Trawick, Doug Estes, Dan & Kate Lindsey, Myrtle Knight, Mona Pirsig, Kenneth Means, Nathan Hamilton, Mary Ellen Millis, Paul Lanier, Myles Wright, Ashley Dunwoody, Beverly Cornwell, Walter Albritton, Jean Cantey, Teresa Kempter, Mac Macready, Pat Nelson, Darlene Fox

Peace for the nations and protection for all those who live and serve in harm's way.

Note: Please submit any names you would like added to the church via telephone (281-2467) or e-mail (whitumc@bellsouth.net) All names submitted are kept on the prayer list for **four weeks** unless otherwise notified. *Those names in Italics are in need of long term prayers.*

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Church Office Hours:

8:15-12:30 and 1:30-4:15, M-Th

8:15-12:30 p.m. Friday

Sunday Services: 8:15 & 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.

**Worship Assistants - September 11
(2nd Sunday)**

Ushers: (8:15) Gene Holsenbeck
(10:30) Ken Carrick, Brownie Brown,
Jim Solomon, Jeannie Anderson

Counters: Steve Duffee,
Gene Holsenbeck

Van Driver: Pam Merritt

Soundboard: (8:15) Harry Brantley
(10:30) Vic Bradsher

Readers: (8:15) Tommi Holsenbeck
(10:30) Emma Duffee

Children's Worship: None this week