

**Calendar for the Week of June 4 - 10, 2017**

<b>Sunday, June 4</b>		
8:30am	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
9:45am	Sunday School	
11:00am	Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
11:00am	The Well	PrattHall
5:00pm	Prayer Ministry Team	Parlor
6:00pm	Annual Conference Begins	Frazer UMC
<b>Monday, June 5</b>		
8:00am	Annual Conference	Frazer UMC
9:00am	VBS Decorating	
7:00pm	Men's Bible Study	Bell House
<b>Tuesday, June 6</b>		
8:00am	Annual Conference	Frazer UMC
9:00am	VBS Decorating	
10:00am	Staff Meeting	WES 102
<b>Wednesday, June 7</b>		
8:00am	Annual Conference Concludes	Frazer UMC
9:00am	VBS Decorating	
9:30am	Way-Out Wednesday Activity	Rockin' Jump
7:00pm	Chancel Choir	Music Suite
7:00pm	The Well Worship Team	Pratt Hall
<b>Thursday, June 8</b>		
9:00am	VBS Decorating	
11:00am	Golden Age Luncheon	Pratt Hall
<b>Friday, June 9</b>		
9:00am	VBS Decorating	
<b>Saturday, June 10</b>		
7:00am	Church Beautification Day	

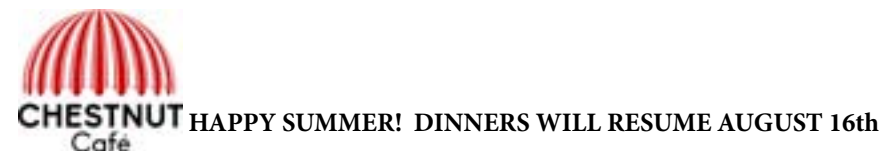
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**Through Our Prayers**

**Church Family-** Hunter Baxter, The Brasel Family, Jo Felio, Jane Finley, Barbara Glass, Rev. Leonard Howell, Nellie Faye Johnson, Joan McCloskey, Mac Macready, Billy Mellown, Louise Moody, Douglas Nelson, Eddie Nummy, Liza Peterson, Eddie Pope, Claudia Storay, Bill Tatum, Joan Taylor, Nadyne Thompson (*New*) *John Coats, Meg Lowry, Kim Lamar Miers*

**Extended Family-** Cheryl Anderson, Wynn Arkle, Barbara Barnett, Hazel Boles, Rob Cook, Pamela Cooper, Susan Cranfield, Ame Duan, Dustin Hoffman, Leigh Hoskins, Kevin Kiser, Joe Lovelady, Sr., Sandy Mead, Charles Meadows, The Family of Dallas McElroy, Beverly Price, Sue Pruettt, Rex Reddish, Winston Rhea, The Family of Blake Rice, Dale Riddick, The Family of Sonny Ryan, Dalton J. Smith, Mary Lou & Shawn Watkins (*New*) *Rod & Betty Douglas*



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**THE WEEKLY WORD**  
WORSHIP · GROW · SERVE · MULTIPLY

**"Hesitation"**

Second guessing ourselves is inevitable. However it is not a condition by which we may be defined...unless we let ourselves be. A strong argument can be made for the fact that sometimes we have a Ready, Fire, Aim attitude and it almost always gets us in trouble. Hesitation isn't always a bad thing. More times than I would like to admit, I have sat glued to my chair, staring at the pulpit into which I was about to step, praying under my breath: "Lord, I'm not sure I am ready to do this." Hesitation is a reality.

When Joe Garagiola was a catcher in the major leagues he had a young pitcher out on the mound who had just come up from the team's farm club. It was his first time to ever pitch in the majors, and the first two batters he had faced had both gotten hits and now were on second and third. The next batter, the one standing there in the batter's box, was none other than the Cardinal's inimitable slugger, Stan Musial.

Well, Garagiola squatted down behind home plate and flashed the signal for the fast ball, but the young pitcher shook his head to indicate that was not the pitch he wanted to throw. So Garagiola flashed the signal for the curve ball, but again the young man shook his head to say that wasn't the pitch he wanted to throw either. Joe signaled for the change up and the slider, but neither of these pitches suited the young rookie. Garagiola called time-out and ran out to the mound. "Hey, man", he said, "I've called for every pitch in the book and you've shaken them off. What do you want to throw?" And the frightened young man looked Garagiola in the eyes and said, "Nothin', Joe. Nothin' at all. I just want to hold onto the ball as long as I can."

We all know what it is like to feel fear, even in routine situations. More often than not that kind of fear is rooted in the prospect of failure. And failure is a frightening prospect. A successful life is not one in which there is no fear, but a life in which fear is overcome or managed. The possibility of failure is always present. It is part and parcel of living. If absolute certainty is a basic requirement for life then being born was a fundamental mistake.

We tend to overlook the possible value of failure. Unless it is constantly repeated, we learn far more from our failures than we do from our successes. We tend to think the only time we win is when we win. Consider the times and places in your life from which you have learned the most. It may surprise you. If you fail it does not mean you are a failure. It means that you are moving along the continuum toward wisdom and maturity. You cannot hold the ball all day.

Play ball!

Blessings to You,

Pastor Bobby

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WORSHIP Highlights:

This Sunday, June 4, 2017

## Traditional Worship Genesis Singers Welcome Home Concert

### In The Well:

Sermon Series: Easter - Risen With Christ  
"With Us"  
Matthew 28 : 16 - 20



Worship  
Grow  
Serve  
Multiply

#### Through Our Gifts

2017 Operating Budget \$1,237,038.52  
Total Received 05/28/17 \$7,830.84  
Total Received For 2017 as of 05/28/17: \$435,859.50  
Total E-Giving Received For 2017 as of 05/28/17: \$14,978.57

Through our Presence  
Worship- 293  
Choir Tour - 53  
Sunday School-148

This Week's Prayer Focus:

Those times I have alienated others.



**Habitat for Humanity** is building a house in Prattville! We are seeking individuals eager to assist in this blessing! If you would be interested in learning more information, please contact Pastor Drew at [drew@prattvillemethodist.org](mailto:drew@prattvillemethodist.org). A date and time for our team will be determined at a later date once a team has been put in place.

### Announcements

**Your Assistance Needed!** Each Ministry Area seeks to be good stewards of the finances, equipment and resources within each department. Recently, we have seen an increase in items missing from the kitchen and office areas as well as other ministry areas of the church. We are asking for your assistance in this matter. If you need to borrow any items from any area of the church, please contact the church office BEFORE gathering those items so that we may put you in contact with the proper person who oversees the stewardship of that area.

**There will be a Welcome Home Breakfast** for the Genesis Singers THIS SUNDAY morning at 9:30am in the Gym. All Youth will meet in the Gym to assist in this event.

**ATTN ALL PARENTS: All Children Sunday School Classes** will meet in the Youth Room **THIS SUNDAY ONLY!** For the Summer Schedule, ALL Children's Sunday School Classes will meet in the Gym for a GREAT Summer Program! Don't miss out!

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** Make plans now to welcome home our Genesis Singers **THIS SUNDAY** at 8:30am and 11:00am in The Sanctuary as they bless us with their Homecoming Concert! Join us on **Sunday - June 11th** at 5:30pm as we hear the Genesis Singers perform the National Anthem at the Biscuits Game. Tickets are available for \$9 and can be ordered in the church office. Deadline for placing your order is June 5th. For more details, please contact Jeremy Pyles.

**PLEASE consider helping** us transform the entire church for VBS! We will be decorating ALL DAY June 5th - 12th from 9am - 4pm. Childcare will be provided but you must register your child with Stacey. All hands are greatly needed and appreciated! Come for a few hours or the whole day! Thank you, in advance, for your much needed help!

**Attention:** Church services are filmed and broadcast via the Internet, and photographs of church attendees may be displayed in printed publications or in electronic format such as on church websites or social media pages.

### S.A.M. NEWS

#### JUNE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**8th** - Golden Age Luncheon - 11:00am in Pratt Hall - Jimmy Harris from Lanark will be our speaker.

**13th** - SAM Advisory Team Meeting - 1:30pm in WES 102.

**15th** - Third Thursday Activity - 1:30pm in WES 102. We will be making cards for our military.

**22nd** - Games Day at 10:00am Please contact Barbara Howe at 365.4900 to make your reservation.

**Make your plans** to join us on June 15th for this special Third Thursday Activity! If you have a family member or friend that has served in the military for any length of time, (active, reserve, guard or retired) please turn in their address to the church office or contact Libby Bruce. We want to have a great list of cards to send!

**Our next church** beautification day will be June 10th from 7am - Noon. Volunteers are greatly needed! Please mark your calendars now to assist in making our grounds beautiful!

**MANDATORY Volunteer Training** for VBS and Safe Sanctuary will be held June 11th at 12:00 in the Gym. Lunch & Childcare will be provided. Please contact Stacey Lewis for details and if you will need childcare.

**Please contact Avery Beatty** at 782.4992 if you would be willing to provide a refreshment for our VBS leaders during VBS June 12 - 16, 2017. THANK YOU for your donation!

**Summer Women's Bible Study** - Join Leslie Davis for a study by Babbie Masons, entitled "This I Know For Sure" Monday nights from 6-7:30 in the Parlor beginning June 12 and lasting through the month of July. Contact Leslie ASAP so she can order your workbook (\$10).

**If you would be interested** in serving on the Hospitality Team in the Well this summer, please contact the church office. WE NEED YOU!

**The Festival of Wisdom and Grace Conference** will be held August 7 - 10 at Lake Junaluska. For more information, please contact Leslie Davis or Libby Bruce.

### Seeking Director of Contemporary Worship

#### Part - Time Position

First United Methodist Church of Prattville is currently seeking a part-time Director of Contemporary Worship. This position includes primary musical leadership in the Contemporary Worship Service, rehearsal with the praise team, recruiting and encouraging musicians and working with the church worship planning team. Interested candidates may email resumes to [freda@prattvillemethodist.org](mailto:freda@prattvillemethodist.org).

**Sizzling Summer Sunday Nights**

Fun Sunday Night Activities for the whole family!

- June 11th - 5:30pm Genesis Singers singing @ Biscuits Game - Tickets \$9 (order form in office)
- June 25th - 6:00pm Joint Worship at Father, Son & Holy Ghost
- July 16th - 6:00pm Providence Baptist Church Choir Concert in Sanctuary
- July 30th - 6:00pm Churchwide Family Reunion in Pratt Hall

REGISTER NOW! ONLINE



CLICK HERE to REGISTER As a PARTICIPANT OR VolUNTeER!

### Children's Ministry

VBS Maker Fun Factory - June 12-16 from 9am - Noon

Register Online NOW! [www.prattvillemethodist.org/vbsregistration](http://www.prattvillemethodist.org/vbsregistration)  
Participants - K - 5th Grade and Volunteers 6th - 12th Grade and ALL Adults Welcome!! A Preschool and Nursery will be available for Volunteer's children.



**VBS**  
June 5-9  
9am - 4pm  
Help transform the church into the Maker Fun Factory!  
Childcare available upon request to Stacey at 365.5977  
**Decorating Workdays**

**COMING THIS SUMMER! DIG-IN!** is an exciting new Sunday School Curriculum. Students will all gather in the Gym for an opportunity to dig in to the life of Jesus and learn more about His love for us!

#### WAY-OUT WEDNESDAYS - JUNE 7TH - ROCKIN' JUMP!

Registration deadline is JUNE 5th

Cost is \$10 if you have Rockin' Jump socks and \$12.50 if you do not. We will leave the church at 9:30am and return by 11:30am. Children age 8 and under will be required to have a chaperone present for this event. Please note that ALL parents will be required to sign a waiver online before their child can participate. For more details, contact Stacey.

### Youth Ministry

## Mission Mondays

Calling ALL Youth to the Mission Field This Summer!

June 19th - Working on Church Grounds  
June 26th - Singing @ Charlton Place  
July 5th (Wed) - Habitat for Humanity  
July 24th - Adullam House



Harbor Youth Hinton Mission Trip is July 9 - 15, 2017. Parents may download forms by visiting our Youth Page on our website and clicking the link. You may also click here in your email copy of the Weekly Word.