

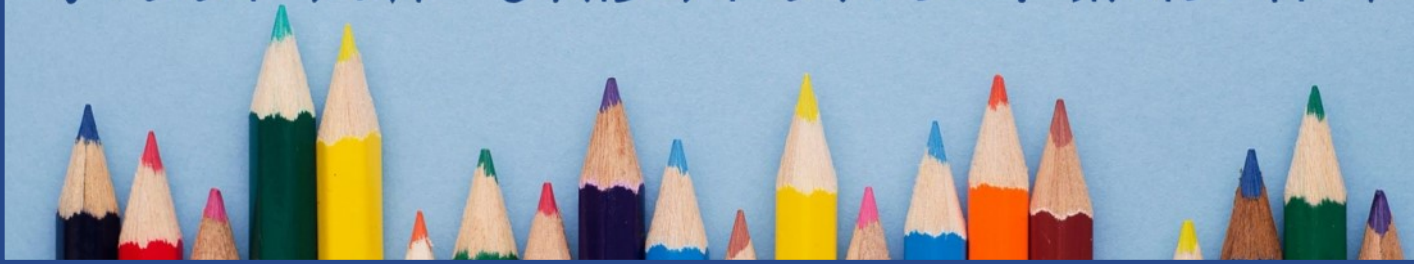
# connections

REACHING OUT...IT'S WHO WE ARE!

## First United Methodist Church of Dothan

Dr. James B. Sanders III, Senior Pastor | January 14, 2021

### WEEKDAY CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



The goal and mission of the Weekday Children's Ministry at FUMC is to provide a nurturing, developmentally-appropriate environment that encourages each child to develop mentally, physically, spiritually, socially, and emotionally. Age-appropriate learning experiences are provided to allow each child to progress at his or her own pace and to experience success through hands-on activities.

Psalm 127:3 says that children are a heritage from the Lord, offspring, a reward from him. We take great pride in our work and truly view it as a ministry. I am so very thankful for the children, parents, and staff who help make the Weekday Children's Ministry a place of love, compassion, and genuine kindness-even in the midst of a pandemic!

On February 1, we will begin in-house registration for church members and children who are currently enrolled in our program. Registration is quickly approaching and spots will fill fast! It's time to register your child for daycare and/or preschool for the 2021/2022 school year and for Summer Camp 2021.

If you're interested in any of these programs, please call our office at 793-2179, or email Krysten at [krysten@fumcdothan.org](mailto:krysten@fumcdothan.org). We will open registration to the public on March 1.

Blessings to you and yours!

Krysten M. Watts  
Weekday Children's Ministry Director



# WELCOME BACK TO

## CHILDREN B.L.A.S.T TIME

SUN. 5:00-5:45

OR

WED. \*3:30-4:15

NEW TIME!

SIGN UP

## TWEENS TIME FOR GOD

SUN. 5:00-5:45

OR

WED. \*3:30-4:15

NEW TIME!

SIGN UP

## CONFIRMATION CLASS

SUN. 6:00-6:45

## YOUTH SMALL GROUPS

WED. 6:00-6:45

## YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

SUN. 5:00-5:45

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

### Our Sympathy to:

~ Beverly and Cliff Allsup and family due to the death of Cliff's father, Clifford Clinton Allsup, Sr., who died January 3.

~ Ana and Larry Flowers and family due to the death of Larry's brother, Murphy Flowers, who died January 7.

### In the Hospital

~ Dawn Theune (St. Vincent's Andrews Clinic, Birmingham)

### Out of the Hospital:

~ Lee Britt (Southeast Health)

~ Celeste Hart

### Congratulations:

~ Adam and Carter Dozier on the birth of the daughter, Caroline "Harper" Dozier, born on January 4.

~ Brockman and Brooke Sanders on the birth of their son, "James" Brockman Sanders V, born January 7. Grandparents are Sally and Jim Sanders.

~ Happy Birthday to Mary Carr who celebrated her 103<sup>rd</sup> birthday on January 10.

*This week we are especially praying for the ways our church family is reaching out through our Communities of Transformation ministry as we offer a hand up to families in poverty.*

Help our church plan new discipleship training opportunities for 2021 by taking the Real Discipleship Survey online. Visit [fumcdothan.org/rds](http://fumcdothan.org/rds) to participate!

# Discipleship Corner

Dr. Phil Maynard, Director of Discipleship Ministries

GOAL: Perform a random act of kindness.

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God-this is your true and proper worship.  
- Romans 12:1 (NIV)

ACTION: Recently, Phil was driving to an event in New Hampshire and came to a toll booth on the interstate. As he moved his car up to pay the toll, the toll booth operator informed him that the lady in the car ahead of him had paid his toll. To say the least, he was surprised and feeling "warm fuzzies" at the act of kindness that had been displayed. Our culture calls actions like this "Random Acts of Kindness." The Scriptures call them service, and generosity, and even worship (refer back to Paul's words in his letter to the Romans). Perform an act of kindness (service, generosity, worship) this week in such a way that it is truly anonymous.

### JOURNAL REFLECTION:

What did you do? How did it make you feel? What surprised you the most about this experience?



## Memorials

### Ann Baker

Traci Newton

### Charles Baker

Traci Newton

### Martha Brennan

Traci Newton

### Randy Church

Traci Newton

### Joe Dunlap

Pat & George Barnard

Jenny & Joseph Cauthen

BJ Hodge

Connie Quincey

### Chuck Dunseth

Mitzi & Mark Chambers

Doug Creel

Barbara Liddon

Traci Newton

### Jo Garrett

Traci Newton

### Fred Garrett, Sr.

Traci Newton

### Warren Rollins

Traci Newton

### Ann Todd

Traci Newton

### Catherine Waid

Traci Newton

### Jim Wheeler, Jr.

Donna & Jim Farrior

Grace & Ralph Hobbs

Erin & Patrick Kelly

Justin & Kate Martin



## MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

Office and Weekday Ministry Closed  
Monday, Jan. 18

## UPCOMING SERIES

# MORE

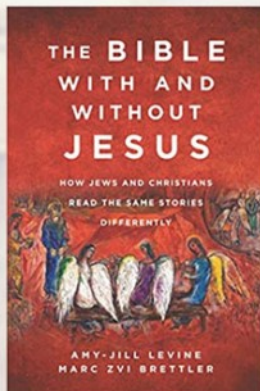
## LIFE AS JESUS INTENDED

## *The Preacher and The Rabbi*

TWO WEEK ZOOM STUDY

of "The Bible with and without Jesus"

led by Rev. Lynn Smilie Nesbitt and Rabbi Lynne Goldsmith



January 26 and February 2  
Tuesday Evenings, 7:30 CST/6:30 MST

"Caregiving: Managing Behavior -  
Start with Yourself"

## Live Training Webinar

for Caregivers and Volunteers

featuring Teepa Snow



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