

## Welcome our new Children's Ministry staff

School has begun, and soon fall programming will kick off at FUMC. As we are gearing up and getting ready, we wanted to update everyone on our Children's Ministry team. Our Children's ministry has continued to grow through the spring and summer, with more than 350 children and volunteers at VBS and multiple programs each week. With the growth of the program, the support of wonderful volunteers, and the leadership of our clergy, staff, and SPRC, we are happy to announce our new Children's Ministry staff!

Elizabeth Saliba is our full-time Children's Ministry Director. She has served as one of the interim children's directors since February and was an excellent volunteer before that! We are grateful for all that she has done and will continue to offer our church! Joining her is Sarah Elizabeth Carroll, who is the Assistant Children's Ministry Director. She too was one of our amazing volunteers who stepped up and took the interim position as well, at a time our church needed staff support.

Sarah Elizabeth grew up in this church and our Children's Ministry Department and brings with her a wealth of knowledge to the staff. Elizabeth and Sarah Elizabeth both have a deep



commitment to Christ and an amazing love for our congregation.

In addition, we welcome Kaylee Vaughn who will serve as the part-time Assistant Children's Ministry Director. Kaylee and her family have been in Dothan for nearly five years. She has worked as a daycare teacher for several years, and like Elizabeth, and Sarah Elizabeth, she has a deep devotion to Christ and His church.

We are thankful to each of these women for their commitment to help make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world through the ministries of FUMC. I hope you will join me in welcoming Kaylee, offering words of thanks and encouragement to Elizabeth, and Sarah Elizabeth, and praying for our new Children's ministry team and all the lives they will impact!

**Complete in Him,  
Matt**



**Elizabeth Saliba**



**Sarah Elizabeth Carroll**



**Kaylee Vaughn (and her family)**

# This week & more at FUMC Dothan

## CHILDREN

**J.A.M. Time (Jesus and Me Time)**  
Available during the 8:30 & 8:55 a.m. worship services.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
Children's Bldg., 10-10:45 a.m.

**FB:** FUMC Dothan Children's Ministry

**IG:** fumc\_childrens\_ministry

## TWEENS

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**5th & 6th Graders**  
Tween Rm. 266, Sundays, 10 -10:45 a.m.

**FB:** FUMC Dothan Tween Ministry

**IG:** Tweenfumcdothan

## YOUTH

**YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
Youth Cafe, Sundays, 10 -10:45 a.m.

**IG:** Fumcdothanyouth

## SPECIAL CONFERENCE



Mark your calendars now for our **Aging is Living Conference, August 16, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., in the Fellowship Hall.** Featuring Dr. Natali Edmonds who will be accompanied by professionals in the field of dementia care, caregiver education, and self-care.

*This event will be hosted by:  
Respite Care Ministry  
Rosemary House and SARCOA*

**For more information, or to register, email Katie Holland at [katie@fumcdothan.org](mailto:katie@fumcdothan.org), today!**

## JOYS & CONCERNS

### OUR SYMPATHY TO:

Our District Superintendent, Sterling Boykin, his wife, Lee Ann, and their children, Ellie & Jes. Sterling's mother, Ina Mae Boykin, died July 30.

Judi Kelley and family due to the death of her daughter, Lori Batchelor, who died July 30.

**RELEASED FROM HOSPITAL:**  
Steve Francis

**IN THE HOSPITAL:**  
Jim Smith - SE Health

**OUT OF TOWN HOSPITAL:**  
Martha Ann Davis  
Bob Theune - Mayo Clinic, Jacksonville, FL

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:**  
Webb Reyner who celebrated his 91st birthday on July 27.  
Arne Foss who celebrated his 91st birthday on July 30.  
Beverly Bromfield who celebrated her 93rd birthday on August 3.

*Let us know if you, or someone you know, has concerns, joys, hospitalizations, upcoming surgeries, or is expecting a baby. Please call the church office at 334-793-3555, or email [prayer@fumcdothan.org](mailto:prayer@fumcdothan.org).*

## 55 FORWARD

**Movie Afternoon – August 22, 2 p.m., Room 165.** Join us for popcorn and the movie, *Blue Miracle (2021)*. For more information, contact Ashley Brasington at [ashley@fumcdothan.org](mailto:ashley@fumcdothan.org).

## RESPIRE CARE MINISTRY

### VOLUNTEER & CAREGIVER TRAINING

**(Next meeting August 14)**  
The training group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in Rm. 158.

### RESPIRE CARE MINISTRY CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

**(Next meeting August 15)**  
The support group meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month in Rm. 165.

## THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

### First Light Chapel Communion

2 Samuel 18:5-9,15, 31-33  
Ephesians 4:25-5:2  
John 6:35, 41-51

### Bridge and Sanctuary Worship

"Love Dothan:  
The Second Commandment;  
Love the Lord Your God"  
Matthew 22:34-40

## JOIN THE FUMC STAFF

For job descriptions, and how to apply for the positions listed below, visit [fumcdothan.org/join-our-team](http://fumcdothan.org/join-our-team)

### POSITIONS:

- PT Nursery Worker
- FT Daycare Worker

# MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

*With Pastor David*

Returns Tuesday,  
August 13, @ 6 a.m.  
Fellowship Hall

A copy of N.T. Wright's *Luke for Everyone* will be provided as a companion reader for the study (\$10). All men are welcome to join us for coffee and hear Pastor David walk us through the Gospel as we center ourselves around God's Holy Word and enjoy the fellowship of other Christian men devoted to growing in their faith.

# FUMC youth impacts many lives in Honduras



Last week, we took 17 people on a youth mission trip to Honduras to serve at Rancho Ebenezer, a home for neglected, abused, and abandoned children.

After a 1,200-mile flight, and a challenging, hour and a half bumpy bus ride, we dedicated ourselves to making a positive impact.

Our youth worked on building fences, installing gutters, painting and helping out in numerous ways. On Thursday, we were able to help a local church family by replacing a dirt floor with a new concrete one in two of the rooms of their home.

We provided tutoring in math, reading, and English, and engaged with the children and staff in spirited soccer matches.



**Concrete flooring project**

Thanks to the generous support of our church family, we were able to organize a field trip to a local park where the children enjoyed swimming, visiting a zoo, and offering a cookout for everyone!



FUMC students spent their week devoting themselves to the children. With this outreach, I believe our students have grown in their understanding of how much they have been blessed. It was wonderful



to see them learning to lead like Jesus, and growing closer to Him.

Thank you for all of the prayers and support during this journey.

**Robbie Amunds, Youth Director**



3rd Grade  
**BIBLE  
PRESENTATION**  
Aug 11, 8:55 a.m. - During Bridge



**MEET THE  
TEACHERS**  
Children's Sunday School  
August 11th @ 10 a.m.  
**CHILDREN'S AREA**  
Questions: [esaliba@fumcdothan.org](mailto:esaliba@fumcdothan.org)

# BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

August 11 | 5-6:30 PM | Fellowship Hall

Family Cookout & Sundae Bar for children and Educators



## Snack 'N' Sing

with the FUMC Chancel Choir



Thursdays in August

6-7 pm in Room 255

## Acolyte, Server, and Communion Steward Training

Sunday, Aug. 18  
10 a.m.  
Sanctuary



## FLOOD BUCKET SUPPLIES NEEDED

Help us support those effected by flooding this hurricane season with flood bucket supplies.



Drop off in the church office during the week or the designated boxes on Sundays, now through Aug. 18

For details, visit [fumcdothan.org/events](http://fumcdothan.org/events)

## DONUTS with David

AUGUST 25, 10 A.M.  
FELLOWSHIP HALL

New members and visitors are welcome! If you are new to FUMC Dothan, interested in membership, or if you just want to know more about what it means to become a Christian, please join us!



## Rise

AGAINST HUNGER  
Volunteers needed!

Wednesday, Sept. 4  
5-7 p.m. - CLC Gym  
Dinner and nursery provided.

For more information:  
email Molly Blalock at [blalock.molly@gmail.com](mailto:blalock.molly@gmail.com),  
or call her at 334-618-8079.

