

Who is coming on Christmas Day?

How many times have we asked young children this question and expected them to respond, "Santa Claus!" We in the Church know that December 25 is about much more than just presents, parties, trees, Santa, snowmen, and reindeer; it is the day that we celebrate the birth of Christ, the incarnation of our God, Emmanuel. God is with us!

During this Advent season in our services of worship, we have Reclaimed Christmas for Jesus Christ! We have explored what it means to use this season as a way to truly celebrate the birth of Jesus, to hear God's call on our lives to be in the ministry of John the Baptist, preparing the way for Christ to be born anew in the lives of others, and to claim the fulfillment of all God's promises in the New Covenant born on Christmas day in Christ himself.

This weekend we will hear from the prophets of old claiming that God will save us. Then on Christmas Eve our Gospel message will inspire us to Reclaim Christmas as a celebration of the God who is with us.

I hope you will join us this Sunday and then again on Tuesday, December 24, as we light the Christ Candle and adore our Emmanuel!

Christ is coming on Christmas Day! Come take part in this holy time in the life of our church as we all welcome Him anew into our hearts and minds!

**God's Peace,
David**



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.

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY & CHOIR
Suspended for the Holidays

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.

**SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP &
WORSHIP ARTS**
Suspended for the Holidays

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY
Suspended for the Holidays

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IG: Tweenfumcdothan

YOUTH

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

Middle School Winter Retreat 2025
- Laguna Beach Christian Retreat,
Panama City, FL - February 14-16 -
Registration is underway
at fumcdothan.org/youth.
To learn more about this retreat for
6th & 7th graders, contact
Robbie Amunds at 334-793-3555.

JOIN THE FUMC STAFF

For job descriptions, and how to
apply for the positions listed below,
visit fumcdothan.org/join-our-team.

POSITIONS:

- Jr. High Ministry Director
- PT Nursery Worker
- FT Daycare Worker

JOYS & CONCERNS

RELEASED FROM HOSPITAL:
Martin Andre
Megan Carter

CONGRATULATIONS TO:
Caroline Meadows & Jon Hoops
who were married Saturday in the
Sanctuary. Caroline is the daughter of
Myron and Libba Williams.

*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.*

RESPIRE CARE MINISTRY

**VOLUNTEER & CAREGIVER
TRAINING**
(Next meeting Jan. 8)
The training group meets on the 2nd
Wednesday of each month in
Rm. 158.

**RESPIRE CARE MINISTRY
CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP**
(Next meeting Jan. 19)
The support group meets on the 3rd
Thursday of each month in Rm. 165.

THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

First Light Chapel Communion
Micah 5:2-5a
Hebrews 10:5-10
Luke 1:39-45

Bridge and Sanctuary Worship
"Reclaiming Christmas:
God Saves"
Isaiah 9:2-7

FUMC PARENT CONFERENCE

**Shooting Straight about
Parenting with Trent and Andrea
Griffith – Saturday, Jan. 25, 8:30
a.m. - 1p.m., Fellowship Hall** - For
more information, contact
Ryan Deaton at ryan@fumcdothan.org.
Children's programming and a nursery
will be available.
Register online **before**
Jan. 15 at fumcdothan.org/events.

55 FORWARD

**Travel with 55 Forward -
Christmas Markets Along
the Danube,
Nov.30 - Dec. 11, 2025 -**
To learn more about this exiting
European trip, visit
fumcdothan.org/55forward, or email
Ashley Brasington at
ashley@fumcdothan.org.

**55 Forward – Senior Adult
Ministry Lunch Fellowship –
Jan. 15, 11:30 a.m., at Hot's Deli,**
located at 180 Westgate Parkway.
To reserve your seat, please call the
church office at 334-793-3555 by
Jan. 10.

HONORARIUM

Lee Ann Boykin
Jane Williams
Liz Hinton & Hugo Ochoa
Jeanie Solomon
Katie Holland
Jane Williams
Maryann Horne
Jane Williams
Anne Claire Langford
Jane Williams
Matt & Anne Clarie Langford
Jeanie Solomon
David & Elizabeth Saliba
Jeanie Solomon
Maria Shelor
Jane Williams
Jane Williams
Sharon Church

MEMORIALS

Sharon Duffie
Mary & Bill Dunnivant
Sandra & Obe Farish
Hunts Restaurant
Carpenter, Wiggins, Jordan, Thomas &
Scarborough, P.C.
Rudy Heintzelman
Cynthia & Ben Craven, Jr.
Anne Thomas
Kathleen Noojin

FUMC COOKBOOKS ARE IN!

The FUMC Cookbooks are in!
If you have pre-ordered an FUMC
Cookbook, or if you would like
to place an order, please contact
Sarah Elizabeth Carroll by emailing:
cookbookfumc@gmail.com, or texting
334-618-3211.

Welcome new members to FUMC Dothan



From left, Elligrace Barron, pictured with her husband and family, joined our church on December 15. We also congratulate her daughter, Libby, pictured above, who was baptized the same day!

✈️ Travel with 55 Forward
Christmas Markets Along the Danube

Nov. 30 – Dec. 11, 2025
Sign up by: Dec. 30, 2024 to lock in 2024 pricing
ashley@fumcdothan.org



Randy Reeves joined our church on December 15.

MISSION TRIP RECAP:

TANZANIA

With Lee Ann Boykin

Dec. 22 | Fellowship Hall
| 10:05 a.m.



United Women in Faith

Tuesday, Jan. 7, 11:45 a.m.
Fellowship Hall

Make lunch reservations by calling the church office at 334-793-3555.

The executive committee meets at 11 a.m. in Rm. 134.

Christmas Poinsettias 2024

In Memory of:

Sue and Pete Albright

Kristen Suzanne Barnes
Chris Barnette
Carolyn Bottoms
Clay Bryars
Jack and Joey Burton
Julia Brown

John E. Byrd Sr.
Betty Coleman
Elizabeth Cook
Cleve Creel
Cleve Creel
Margaret Ann Crawford
Jerry and Martha Creel
Shane and Josh Dagostin
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Alex and Evelyn Dauphin
Jim Dayton
Gale Wade Enfinger
Rev. Walker and Lynn Epps
Byron "Sparky" Griffin
Celeste Hart

Susan Hart

Dr. H. Paul Hufham, Jr.
Jeff Hutto

Dr. John Allen Jones, III

John Allen Jones, IV

Jim Bob Kelly
Bob Kirkby
Bill and Pat Lies
Bill Lisenby
Jacque Jones Longshore

Linda Bentley McGhee

Don Musselman
Ramarla Musselman
Helen Newton
Our Parents
Wayne and Ellen Read
Warren Rollins
H. Manning Sanders

Frances Sawyer
Frances Sawyer
Herb and Shelba Scarbrough
Nancy Shank
Moe Sigmon
Virginia Sikes
Bobby Sirmon
Art Solomon
Billy Solomon
John Z. and Janie Solomon
Judge Sorrells
Rev. Jimmie Spikes
Townsend Thomas
Oscar Tidwell
Sam Torrence

Given by:

Ashley, Jason, Griffin
and Grady McGee
Sandra and Butch Binford
Nancy and Dennis Egge
Bobby and Brenda Bottoms
Joe, Allyce and Braden Read
Craig, Ginger and Merrill Scarbrough
Her Children and Grandchildren,
Jason and Ashley McGhee,
Anna Bentley and Charlie
His Family
William and Mitzi Watson
Nancy and Dennis Egge
Phillip and Debbie Tidwell
Tate and Adrian Flowers Family
Nancy and Dennis Egge
Phillip and Debbie Tidwell
Lee and Mikell Thomas
Jean and Mike Dagostin
Katie and John Morris
The Dayton Family
Bobby and Brenda Bottoms
Ellise Epps-Ryan
Ashley, Jason, Griffin and Grady McGee
Lamar Hart, Kirby and Allison Hart, and
Katie and Ike deJong
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Katie and Ike deJong
His Family
Natalie Hutto
Kelton, Harrison, Thomas, Fran and
Jacque Morris
Kelton, Harrison, Thomas, Fran and
Jacque Morris
Janie and Jim Kelly
Helon Kirkby and Family
Jenie Solomon
Nina Lisenby
Kelton, Harrison, Thomas, Fran and
Jacque Morris
Her Children and Grandchildren ,
Julie Ratcliffe, Ashley and Jason McGhee,
Anna Bentley and Charlie
Marlene Musselman
Her mother
Nancy and Dennis Egge
Lee and Mikell Thomas
Joe, Allyce and Braden Read
Jan Rollins
Joe, Senty, Manning, Mary Daniel and
Rhett Sanders
Jason and Libby Sawyer
Jenie Solomon
Craig, Ginger and Merrill Scarbrough
Meredith Flowers
His Family
Joe, Allyce and Braden Read
Jackson Ann and Zay Deaton
Jenie Solomon
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Arch and Tracy Solomon
Gloria Sorrells and Family
Freida Spikes and Family
Tom and Nina Thomas
Phillip and Debbie Tidwell
Juleann Torrence and Family

In Memory of:

Lester Trotter
Jo Williams

In Honor of:

Minna Appleby
Jackson and Ashley Britton
Rhenn Cartwright
Dorothy Clark
Sonia Crutchfield
Steve Gamble
Bo Gholson
Katie Holland/Respite
Debbie Holt
Dan Jernigan Family
Caroline and Patrick Kelly
Collier and Mary Kelly
Sarah Jane Kelly
Mary Lamb
Bill and Sis Lee
Justin Martin Family
Mary Hinson,
Davis and Kathryn Mims
Brad Musselman
Chip Musselman
Fran Dollie Salter
Steve & Julie Shaw

Tanner, Amelia, Mary Mott
and Lillian Shelley
Haley Solomon
Anna Grace Tidwell
Jane Williams
3P Sunday School Teachers
Kindergarten Sunday
School Teachers
My Children and
Grandchildren
Our Family

Given by:

Arch and Tracy Solomon
Rhett Williams and Family

Given by:

Sawyer and Cory Crutchfield
Phillip and Debbie Tidwell
Tom and Nina Thomas
William and Mitzi Watson
Sawyer and Cory Crutchfield
Richard Gamble
Melissa and Web Gholson
Kathy Lanford
Sawyer and Cory Crutchfield
Ben and Lisa Martin
Janie and Jim Kelly
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Sandy Gamble
Bobby and Brenda Bottoms
Ben and Lisa Martin

Chris and Keely Mims
His mother
His mother
David and Nancy McClung
William, Charlotte, Annie,
Madison, Margaret, Sam,
Thomas and Frances

Phil and Jan Shelley
Sawyer and Cory Crutchfield
Phillip and Debbie Tidwell
Lester and Patricia Stewart
Zay Deaton

Jackson Ann Deaton

Jan Rollins
Lee and Mikell Thomas

PARENT CONFERENCE Shooting Straight About Parenting



Trent & Andrea Griffith

JAN. 25
9AM-1PM

\$25 per couple, Child Care Provided
Fumcdothan.org/events