



# Promise of Christmas

Benefitting the Harbor

**This Sunday evening, December 15,** we have the opportunity to join together in fellowship as our contemporary worship band, Promise, presents, The Promise of Christmas.

Promise will share their amazing talent as they fill the Fellowship Hall with music that will lift your spirit and fill you with the beauty and awe of the Advent season. **The night will begin at 5:30 pm with a time of fellowship and food as we ask everyone to bring a sweet or salty snack to share.**

This is the perfect chance to take a few minutes out of the

**Bring a sweet or salty snack for Food & Fellowship @ 5:30 p.m. in the gym.**

**Worship begins @ 6 p.m.**

busyness of Christmas and visit with your church family while sharing a yummy treat.

**At 6 pm the service will begin.** Promise will play songs that we will sing together as a congregation, as well as share new, special selections for the Christmas season.

We also will have an opportunity to hear from The Harbor's pastor, Rev. Derrick Tiller and a member of The Harbor community who will share the ways this amazing ministry makes a difference in their life each day.

**Additionally, as a church family, we will be able to be a blessing to others as we place donations under the Christmas tree in the gym. These items will allow The Harbor to meet the needs of those in our local community. At the right, you will find the list of some suggested items to bring.**

**This Sunday night, bring an item or two for**

**The Harbor, bring your favorite holiday treat,** and join us for a night of worship and fellowship that will both bless you and allow you to be a blessing to others!

**ITEMS NEEDED FOR**



**The Harbor**  
A Refuge From Life's Storms

- Paper goods
- Non-perishable food items
- Blankets
- Coats (sizes L-5XL)
- Men's athletic shoes (all sizes)

# 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*

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## 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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## YOUTH

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

**Rock N Serve & Rock the Universe - Youth Trip To Orlando, FL - Jan. 23-26** - Register now to join us on this unforgettable mission and worship experience in Orlando, Florida! This experience combines community service projects through Serve Orlando with exciting worship and theme park time during Rock the Universe at Universal Studios. For more information, visit our website at [fumcdothan.org/youth](http://fumcdothan.org/youth), or 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](http://fumcdothan.org/join-our-team).

### POSITIONS:

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

## JOYS & CONCERNS

**OUR SYMPATHY TO:**  
Nikki & Mark Williams and family due to the death of Nikki's father, Keith Stapleton who died Dec. 2.

**IN THE HOSPITAL:**  
Martin Andre - Children's, Birmingham

**CONGRATULATIONS TO:**  
Amelia & Tanner Shelley who announce the birth of a daughter, Lillian James Shelley, born Dec. 5. Grandparents are Jan & Phil Shelley.

*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).*

## RESPIRE CARE MINISTRY

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

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

## THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

**First Light Chapel Communion**  
Zephaniah 3:14-20  
Philippians 4:4-7  
Luke 3:7-18

**Bridge and Sanctuary Worship**  
"Reclaiming Christmas: God Promises"  
2 Samuel 7:8-17  
Jeremiah 31:31-34

## FUMC PARENT CONFERENCE

**FUMC Parent Conference 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](mailto:ryan@fumcdothan.org). Children's programming and a nursery will be available. Register online **before Jan. 15** at [fumcdothan.org/events](http://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](http://fumcdothan.org/55forward), or email Ashley Brasington at [ashley@fumcdothan.org](mailto: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

**Liam Spry**  
Terri & John Turner

## MEMORIALS

**Sharon Duffie**  
Despina Vodantis

**Natalie Woods**  
Lisa & Ben Martin

**Please note:** For gifts of memorials or honorariums you wish to be acknowledged for 2024, the finance office will need your information by this Monday, Dec. 16.

## UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

**United Women in Faith meeting - Jan. 7, 11:45 a.m., Fellowship Hall** - The UWF executive committee meeting takes place in Rm. 134, at 11 a.m. To register for lunch, please call the church office at 334-793-3555. For more information, call or text Priscilla Tucker at 334-618-0210.

## FUMC COOKBOOKS 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](mailto:cookbookfumc@gmail.com), or texting 334-618-3211.

# Baptism



Martin Taft Leger was baptized Sunday, December 8. He is pictured with his parents, Carly & Hunter Taft Leger. His grandparents are: Laura & Bill Martin, Susan Leger, and Jerry Leger.



*"Let the little children come to me ..."*  
Matthew 19:14

## Welcome our new member to FUMC Dothan



Julie George joined our church December 8.

*Thank You!*  
**BETTY HELMS**



**RETIREMENT RECEPTION**  
December 15, 10 a.m., Parlor

*Respite Ministry*

**DEMENTIA-FRIENDLY  
COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS  
SERVICE**

December 17 | 1:15 p.m. | Sanctuary

**CHRISTMAS** with the *HARBOR*



**Gift Wrapping**  
December 15: 2 pm, gym  
Wrapping Volunteers Needed



Service of

# HEALING & PRAYER

## HOPE ON THE LONGEST NIGHT

December 18 | 6 p.m. | FUMC Chapel

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.

✈️ 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

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