**Welcome to Worship!** 

We pray that you feel the warmth and love of Christ as you enter and that you sense God's presence in worship. If there is anything we can do for you, please do not hesitate in letting us know. We are grateful having you today and hope you will consider coming again.

Sun. Worship Services, 8 & 10AM Sunday School for all Ages, 9AM

Choir Practice, 9:15AM Youth Meeting, 4PM

Mon. United Methodist Women's Meeting, 9:30AM

10/02

Tues. Men's Prayer Group, 7AM

10/03 Zumba, 6PM

AA, 7PM Al-Anon, 7PM

Wed. Weight Watchers, 4:30PM Choir Practice, 5:30PM

Thurs. Exodus Bible Study, 9:30AM

10/05 Zumba, 6PM

AA, 7PM

Sat. 10/06

Sun. Worship Services, 8 & 10AM Sunday School for all Ages. 9

Sunday School for all Ages, 9AM Choir Practice, 9:15AM Youth Meeting, 4PM

**WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS** 

We hare happy to welcome Alex Puls and Eli McSherdon into our church family. The boys reside at 31810 Grafton Rd, Lillian, AL. 36549. Eli and Alex joined LUMC on 09/10/17. Their Celebration of Baptism will be held at Camp Dixie today.

**UMW Meeting, Monday, October 2.** Please come for refreshments at 9:30AM and the meeting begins at 10. All women in the church are members of this organization and we hope you will come to be a part of this Christian Sisterhood. Our program this month is learning more about UMCOR and how this organization helps around the world.

**UMM Meeting, Monday, October 9 at 6PM** All men are reminded of our meeting. We'll have another fantastic supper followed by a very special program.

AARP SAFE DRIVER COURSE @ LUMC ON OCT.10TH, 9AM
A 6 hour course, \$15 member / \$20 non-member. Trained instructor, course materials provided, auto insurance discount may apply. Sign up sheets can be found on the Opportunity Table and on the counter in the Fellowship Building.

TRUNK OR TREAT, October 31st from 6-7PM

We need as many cars as possible to pass out candy to our trick or treaters. If you are unable to bring your car please bring candy. A box will be available in the back of the sanctuary for drop off. This is a fun outreach for our community and I need your help! Thank you! Joyce Ellison, 752-5062

# Lillian United Methodist Church REACHING OUT WITH GOD'S LOVE



I John 2:3-11

<sup>28</sup> And now, dear children, continue in him, so that when he appears we may be confident and unashamed before him at his coming. <sup>29</sup> If you know that he is righteous, you know that everyone who does what is right has been born of him. 3:1 See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup> Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. <sup>3</sup> All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. <sup>4</sup> Everyone who sins breaks the law; in fact, sin is lawlessness. 5 But you know that he appeared so that he might take away our sins. And in him is no sin. 6 No one who lives in him keeps on sinning. No one who continues to sin has either seen him or known him. <sup>7</sup> Dear children, do not let anyone lead you astray. The one who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous. 8 The one who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work. 9 No one who is born of God will continue to sin, because God's seed remains in them; they cannot go on sinning, because they have been born of God. <sup>10</sup> This is how we know who the children of God are and who the children of the devil are: Anyone who does not do what is right is not God's child, nor is anyone who does not love their brother and sister.

# **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

## **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Please sign the registration pad! Thank you!

\* HYMN # 334

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

- \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH HYMNAL Pg. 881 THE APOSTLES CREED
- \* COMMUNION LITURGY pg. 12

**CELEBRATION OF BEING STEWARDS OF GOD** 

OFFERTORY SPECIAL Blake Riley, Minister of Music

\*Doxology #95 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son & Holy Ghost. "God Bless America"

God Bless America, Land that I love. Stand beside her, and guide her Thru the night with a light from above. From the mountains, to the prairies, To the oceans, white with foam. God bless America, My home sweet home. God bless America, My home, sweet home."

**SCRIPTURE** 

1st John 2:28-3:10

HYMN # 408

"The Gift of Love"

Children up to first grade dismiss to Children's Church at this time.

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORDS PRAYER

SERMON

Walking into the Heart of God

**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION Pg. 13-15** 

HYMN # 431 "Let There Be Peace on Earth" Anyone desiring to become a member of the church and/or receive Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to come forward at this time! Please bring the "Wish to Join" card found in the pew with complete information.

#### \* CLOSING CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER # 574 "For Renewal of the Church"

Renew your church, Lord, your people in this land. Save us from cheap words and self-deception in your service. In the power of your Spirit transform us, and shape us by your cross. **Amen.** 

#### \* BENEDICTION HYMN

"Bind Us Together"

"Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken. Bind us together Lord, Bind us together, Lord, Bind us together with love."

Please take this time to offer one another signs of Christ's Love and Reconciliation as we depart to fulfill the mission of Christ.

\* Please stand, if able.

# IN HIS SERVICE

**8AM Ushers**: John Wade & Deb Endsley **10AM Greeters**: Jim & Barbara Roth **10AM Ushers**: Jay Dufer / Jim Westgate

**Outreach**: Nita Davis

**Counters**: Ed Kish/ Roy Oleson

# Todays altar rail contributions will benefit the World Communion Sunday Offering

#### YOUTH BAPTISMS AT CAMP DIXIE TODAY AT 4:30PM

Join the youth at Camp Dixie, located at 29711 Josephine Dr., Elberta, as we celebrate Eli and Alex's baptism by immersion. Anyone desiring to be baptized or to renew your baptism are invited to do so. You will need to bring a change of clothes and a towel. Bus will depart from church at 4PM.

LAITY SUNDAY

We will welcome Beverly Maddox as our guest speaker at the 8 & 10 worship services on October 15th. Beverly was elected as the 2017 Alabama West Florida Conference Lay Leader and has been a Certified Lay Speaker since 1998.

**Nursery Available** 9AM - 11AM for Birth to 3yrs. A cry room is located at the back of the sanctuary. Children's Church for ages 4 yrs. thru 1st grade is held in the Fellowship Building on Communion Sunday. Activity Bags for ages 7-10 are located on the Opportunity Table for children remaining in sanctuary worship.

Happy Birthday & Anniversary!

4 Jerry Garner 5 Betty Larson 6 Janis Byars 7 Florence McLendon 7 David Harding 2 Andy & Sondra Wilkinson

# **PRAYER CONCERNS**

Bob Donnenwirth Tom Canaday DiAnn Gilmore Ann Crook Ken Foster Clay Henry Dennis Fletcher David Palmer Hurricane and earthquake victims, and First Responders