



# Algood Reflections

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## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### **Sundays**

Worship, 10:55 AM, FLC

### **Tuesdays**

Bible Study, 10 AM, Library

## NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

3/12 – Kyle & Lauren Graves  
9/19 – Derek & Kelly Bush  
26/05 – Chet & Ginny Butler

## NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2 – Abigail Brown  
15 – Terry Foutch  
15 – Gertha Medley  
22 – Marie Dick  
26 – Glenna Litwin  
27 – Albert Willis

## SEPTEMBER STEWARDSHIP

Attendance

Average Worship: 27

Offering

Budget Total: \$10,946.46

Helping Hands: \$130

“In Celebration of Life!”: \$150

Church Membership: 179

## TREASURER'S REPORT

The September balance of \$119,472 includes \$109,140 in restricted funds; leaving our actual balance at \$10,331. The Finance Committee recommends we maintain a balance of \$15,000.

## DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Ends 2 AM on 11-1-20

Set clocks back before going to bed on Saturday night!

## ALONG THE JOURNEY OF FAITH

“So what if this never changes? Then what are you going to do?” This was a question from God to me when I asked God, “Lord, when will this pandemic ever end?” I have gone over and over and over in my head and with prayer and hearing people from both sides of these issues. There have been some decisions made for now. See “Activities Resuming” on next page.

Worship announcement: This Sunday, November 1, we are back in the sanctuary for our Sunday worship service at 10:55 AM. Socially distanced seating with *masks mandatory* in the sanctuary; *masks optional* seating in the annex. Ushers will be available to assist.

This Sunday is Communion and All Saint's day, so this will be a special time of remembering our members who passed away this year and also will remember loved ones not a member of AUMC.

There are people in our community that are lost and hurting. We need to be the hands and feet of God. As I was reading this morning in Psalm 119:121-128, the psalmist wrote, “I love you. Your commands more than gold, more than pure gold” (v.127). God's words are more valuable than even the finest gold. This is and has to be our soul refreshment. I pray that our souls are consumed with longing for God's laws at all times. Allow God's words to refresh your mind, heart, and soul...

Caught by His amazing grace!

Brother Albert

## NOVEMBER SCRIPTURES

- 11/1:** All Saints Sunday, Holy Communion  
Joshua 3:7-17; Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37; 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13;  
Matthew 23:1-12
- 11/8:** Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost  
Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25; Psalm 78:1-7; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18;  
Matthew 25:1-13
- 11/15:** Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
Judges 4:1-7; Psalm 123; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30
- 11/22:** Christ the King Sunday  
Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Psalm 100; Ephesians 1:15-23;  
Mark 25:31-46
- 11/29:** First Sunday of Advent  
Isaiah 64:1-9; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9;  
Mark 13:24-37

## CONNECTING WITH AUMC

Join the AUMC Facebook page to stay in touch with AUMC family and friends. Brother Albert posts daily messages and music as well.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/117570711593816/>

## **SEPTEMBER SPECIAL GIFTS**

*"In Celebration of Life!"*  
In Honor of  
Ken and Virginia Sircy  
In Memory of  
Earlene Williams

*Memorials*  
In Memory of  
Willie Arms, Earlene Williams

*Memorial Garden Permanent  
Endowment Fund*  
In Memory of  
Richard and Ruth Harding

## **POINSETTIAS**

You are invited to place a poinsettia in the sanctuary for the Advent season in honor or memory of a loved one. The cost is \$8.

Please have payment and information in the church office by 10AM on Monday, November 23.

## **EMAIL CHANGE**

After continuing issues with our Frontier email address, we are switching to g-mail. Please use [algoodumc@gmail.com](mailto:algoodumc@gmail.com) to reach the church office. Thanks!

## **GIVING TO AUMC**

The mission of AUMC goes on, expenses continue. We are cutting back everywhere we can, but it is important to keep up with our giving. We have options for keeping current with our stewardship. Electronic giving is available on our website, and is easier than before. On our website, [algoodumc.org](http://algoodumc.org), click on "Giving to AUMC" at the top of the home page and fill out the info. It's much like checking out at Amazon! To make our mail more secure, we now have a post office box: AUMC - PO Box #49174 - Algood TN 38506

**Website:** [www.algoodumc.org](http://www.algoodumc.org)  
**E-Mail:** [algoodumc@gmail.com](mailto:algoodumc@gmail.com)

## **ACTIVITIES RESUMING**

*Sunday School* - Two classes will begin on Sunday, November 8  
1. The Diversity class in Fellowship Hall with Helen Metz and others leading  
2. The Faithstrong class in the Library with Garrett Dick leading

*Alpha Gathering* will begin once-a-month on Wednesday, November 18 and December 16. We'll start with a 5:30 PM meal and then divide into classes for Bible study. For meal-planning, there's a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall to indicate your interest in attending.

## **THANKSGIVING DINNER**

We will be serving Thanksgiving dinner to the community this November as a drive up and take home meal. We need a couple of people to take charge of this. Please let me know who wants to coordinate. All hands on deck! There's a sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall to indicate how you can help.

Speaking of **ALL HANDS ON DECK**... we need everyone on Saturday at 10 to come help move our Sanctuary items back to the Sanctuary. Altar table, sound equipment, Hymnals, Bibles, and to clean our bathrooms and sweep and wipe down our pews. Help us make our first Sunday back a special day.

## **HELEN'S CORNER by Helen Metz**

Consider all the corner of our lives, house corners, paper corners, photo corners, art corners, street corners, corners of the world. Corners in expressions. Getting backed into a corner. How many ways can we make corners? Corners intersect. Corners keep our lines from staying straight. In what corner of the world do you stay?

When I want to hide, I find a corner and a good book. Where do you hide? I hide God's work in my heart so I don't lose it. But God has said to "Go and make disciples of all the world." (Matthew 28:19) So I can't stay hidden in my corner. Do you try to stay hidden in your corner?

## **CHARGE CONFERENCE**

Our Charge Conference is at 1 PM on Sunday, November 1. Everyone is invited to participate, but Church Council members need to participate. It will be done via Zoom meeting with audio and video or conference call with just audio. All required information to join meeting:

Join Zoom Meeting: Meeting ID: 873 8023 8824 Passcode: 818542  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87380238824?pwd=bXRybmQ4Y2hjd1dqOXZrQ2ROVTBCZz09>

## **SHARE THE WARMTH!**

Time to gather clothing items for children in our local schools without proper winter clothing. Donations of clothing may be placed in Fellowship Hall through December 6, and will be delivered to the schools. Thank you!

*ITEMS NEEDED* in sizes 4-16, boys and girls  
New Jackets, Coats, Socks, Sweatpants, Sweatshirts, Sweatshirt Jackets, Long-Sleeved T-Shirts, Gloves, Scarves and Hats



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**Sunday Worship at 10:55 AM**