

Times of Worship

Sunday

10:00 a.m.

5:00 p.m.

Sunday Bible School

9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study

5:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

WELCOME VISITORS!

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GRATITUDE

Thanksgiving Day has passed, but I sincerely hope that the spirit of thankfulness has not. A man got on the bus one day, found a seat, and sat down. On the next stop, a lady got on and had to stand up because there were no seats left. The man stood up to give her his seat as he had been taught to do so as a boy. When the lady sat down, she fainted because she was so astonished that someone would offer his seat to her.

When she came to, she thanked the man. Then *he* fainted out of shock that somebody would actually thank him!

Another man needed his pants ironed. His wife was kind enough to iron them, but as she did so she burned his brand new pants that he was looking forward to wearing.

Her husband started to get mad but stopped to think before reacting and said, "Lord, thank you that my leg wasn't in those pants!"

There's always a reason to give thanks. "Don't worry about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, *with thanksgiving*, let your requests be made known unto God..." (Phil. 4:6-7).

- R. Medlin

Lessons for Today:

AM: "Encouragement!"
 Prov. 12:25

Randy Medlin

PM: "Devoted To Fellowship" Acts 2:42-44

Andrew Kingsley

Today's Activities:

Clayton Baby Shower
 UCC Holiday Party after PM
 UYM Holiday Party after PM

Focus on One Another

"For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another."

Galatians 5:13

This Week

Making announcements:

Sunday - 10:00 am: Ray Sherer

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Inner City Ministry: Resumes Jan 7

Ladies' Bible Class: Resumes Jan 8

5:30 pm Wed. Bible Study/Auditorium

Archaeology & His. Of Jerusalem-F. Austin

6:30 pm Wed. Bible Study/Auditorium

Fruits of the Spirit, Kindness-Justin Bond

Men's Bible Class: Fridays, 6:30 am,

Studying Deuteronomy 18

Elizabeth Wright Apts. Service:

Sundays, 8:00am

Records You Help Make

Sunday Bible Study	349
Sunday Morning Worship	535
Sunday Evening	378
Hispanic Ministry (12/09/18)	64
Elizabeth Wright Apts., Sunday AM	18
Inner City Monday Night Study
Wednesday Evening—6:30	295
Wednesday Evening—5:30	137
General Fund Contributions	\$22,090.81
Hispanic Min. Contributions (12/09/18)	\$108.75
Weekly Budget	\$24,147.00
Weekly Contribution Avg., 2018	\$22,510.47

Worship Leaders

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10:00 a.m.

Song Leader: Jon Podein - AM/PM

Main Prayer: Chris Baker

Preside at Table: Ray Dutton

Scripture Reading: Alexander Conley

Closing Prayer: Will Freeman

Serve Communion: Tom Edwards, David Fletcher, Dean Itson, Gerald Jones, Larry Joyce, Brian Kasarjian, Joe Kelly, Andrew Kingsley, Charlie Knapp, Charles Labriola, Scott Latham, Sam Lett, Kevin Long, Rob Lyle, Randall Mathis, Don McLeod, Bryan Smith, Steve Wages

5:00 p.m.

Main Prayer: Joseph Vickery

Scripture Reading: Jason Graham

Closing Prayer: Matt Sokoloski

Serve Evening Communion: Robby

Bates, Dustin Jones, Lance Tucker

Others Who Serve:

Chairman and Co-Chairman of the

Elders: Barry Buford & Carl Cheatham

Nursery

AM: Renee Davis

PM: Jennifer & Angie Brenneman

Greeters

East: Robert & Susan Waggoner

West: Jackson Graham & Copeland
Hilyer

Ushers

East: Phillip Norton

West: Nathan Stephen

Doorman

East: Dustin Jones

West: Volunteer

Youth & College Activities:

Youth: DECEMBER

16th-Christmas Party

27th-30th—Exposure Youth Camp in
Huntsville, AL

College: DECEMBER

17th-Jan 9th-Christmas Break

Those In Need of Our Prayers

Tammy Brewer is enduring her treatments.

Edith Bryant struggles with pain. She is some better with medicine changes.

Pierre Caldwell is in UAB and now in ICU as his blood pressure dropped very low.

Walter Colburn is scheduled for back surgery Dec 17th at Baptist South.

George Crapps is home recuperating from a bad fall on the 7th.

Peggy Dorminey will be having back surgery on Dec 17 at Baptist South.

Edith Edwards, Patrick Daly's mother, has a mass on her lung and is undergoing tests to see what the exact nature of it is. Pray for good results. Thank you all SO much. Her address for cards: 637 American Blvd, Warner Robins, GA 31093.

Sandra Jones' niece, Tina and her baby as they deal with complications.

Kana Kingsley should have surgery soon to remove the nodule at St. Vincent East in Trussville, AL.

Larry Ludwick is to have spinal neck surgery on Dec 17th at Baptist South.

George Mitchell is home and healing well from his hernia surgery.

Dorothy Moberly as she is getting older and all that entails.

Dorothy Mosby as she endures her health issue.

Billie Moseley, Mary's mother, had surgery on the 14th, but they were not able to remove the mass. Please keep both in your prayers.

Turner Paseur is now confined to John Knox Nursing home and misses all greatly.

Marie Ward is hoping the doctors will find the cause of her dizziness soon.

Those confined, dealing with ongoing health problems, and military: Dan Alexander, Tammy Brewer, Edith Bryant, Bannie Burt, Pierre Caldwell, Eddie Clark, Blois & Lucy Clifton, Wally & Sharon Colburn, Rebecca Deason, Kathleen Dees, James & Joyce Duncan, Mickie Haynes, Sandra Honaker, Bob Hudson, Gail & Tomi Hudson, Dottie Huggins, Dennis Itson, Laura Jenkins, Sandra Jones, Sara Jones, Martha Keel, Helen Lester, Lynn McDaniel, Charles Mills, Dorothy Moberly, Dorothy Mosby, Bruce Morton, Turner & Geraldine Paseur, Caleb Richardson (Military), Laura Spencer, Lynne Spencer, Omega Tatum, Tom & Suzy Taylor, Rose Turner, Sherry Wadsworth, Marie Ward, Dan Winstein.

FRIENDSHIP BREAD

We encourage all of our Visitors to pick up your (baked especially for you) Loaf of Bread in either foyer as you enter or when you leave. Thank you for worshipping with the UCC family.



Announcements

We extend our condolences to **Martha Grubb and Family** in the passing of her husband, **Mitch Grubb**. Leak Memory Chapel has scheduled a viewing today from 2 to 4 pm. Tomorrow, Dec 17 here at the University church building, will be a viewing at 10 am, the funeral will begin at 11:30 am and the burial is at Greenwood Cemetery. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Thank you for all the cards and especially the ones with all the names from our LBC. **Martel Pace** is so appreciative of your constant care and concern for him.

There will be a **Baby Boy Shower** honoring **Page and Mary Beth Clayton** on the arrival of Bo Joseph Clayton TODAY from 2-4 pm in the College Room. The Claytons are registered at Target and Storkland. Please see Lindsay Smith for more details.

TODAY is the **Inner City Church** Children's party. See Sara Bills or Elenore Conley to make cash donations.

We are excited about this year's Christmas Party TONIGHT following the evening service. It will be a festive evening with good food and entertainment. Please bring a **Holiday appetizer, finger foods and dessert**. We will have an area for special family pictures. This is a fellowship you will not want to miss!

The Wallace Family Christmas Open House will be on Dec 22 from 3-9 pm. Everyone's invited!

Holiday Schedules: On Wed. Dec 26th, we will have a short Devotional at 6 pm. There will be no classes. Then, Sunday, Dec 30, is a 5th Sunday. The elders have decided to have our regular 9 am Bible Classes and 10 am worship service, but NO in house meal and NO 5 pm worship service.

There are sign-up sheets in both foyers to sign up for the Couples Retreat, Jan 25, 26 & 27th.

Check your info in the East Lobby for the **Pocket Directory** to update or make corrections.

The **HP DRIVE** items may be place in the middle foyer.

L2L Registration forms are due along with the \$40. registration fee.