

The Neighborhood Watch

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CONNECTING HEARTS TO CHRIST



SHAN ODOM, OUR NEW EXECUTIVE MINISTER

We are in exciting times here at the First Methodist Church of Trussville! It was exciting to see the energy of everyone ready to come together for our first Wednesday night meal which was a blessing with 227 in attendance. It is exciting to see the reconstruction happening in some areas and the continued success happening in other areas. Just as Acts 2 opens with the Holy Spirit and Peter's sermon at Pentecost, the chapter wraps up with a wonderful illustration of the fellowship of believers. We experienced the beginning of that fellowship at our first potluck meal. Church, it seems as if we are living out this chapter of Acts as we move forward humbly walking in God's will for our lives and our church.

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I want to encourage each of you to make sure you jump into a Wednesday night study and a Sunday night study. I am a firm believer that healed people help other people and saved people serve other people. Lean into being the 'hands and feet of God' every opportunity you can, including being in fellowship with each other. I believe we are about to see God show up and show out as He moves in real time right in front of our eyes just as He has been faithful to hear our prayers over the past year.

While I have been on staff for the past four years, it is exciting to move into a new role with more opportunities to interact with you and have the ability to come alongside other ministries to lend a hand where needed in the background. I am thankful for the blessed past four years while serving with the leadership team at Celebrate Recovery.

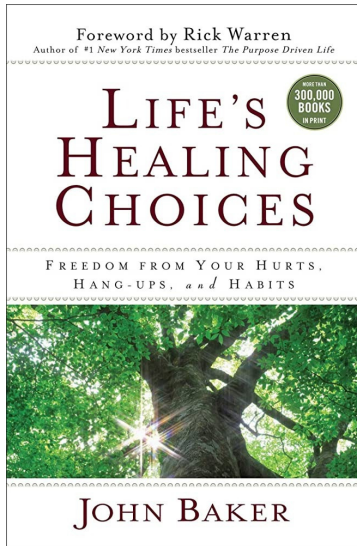
I look forward to all of the blessed times ahead as we live our faith out loud each day as the body of Christ while giving all praise, honor, and glory to our Savior.

My door is always open and my phone is always on. I think it is safe to say that all of our leadership team members are praying over each of you and we are excited to see what God has in store for our church!

Much Agape to you!
Shan



SMALL GROUP STUDIES



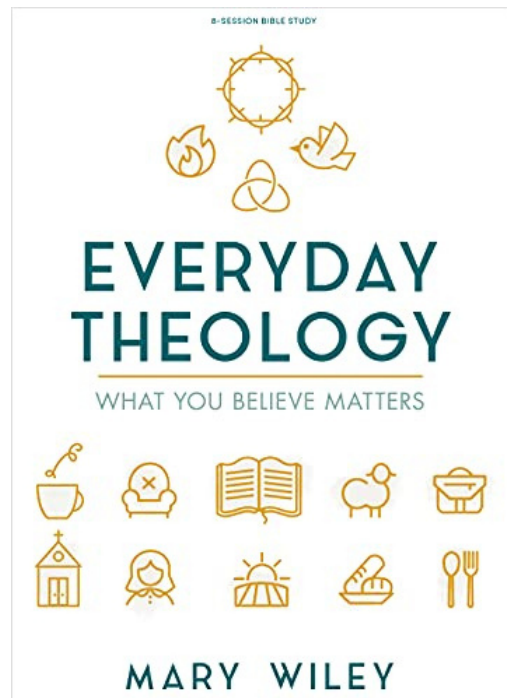
LIFE'S HEALING CHOICES LED BY REV. SHAN ODOM & REV. BOB MURRAY

The only way to become a disciple is to make disciples. Before we can make disciples, we need to really look at ourselves in the mirror of Truth which is Scripture! Join us on Wednesday nights from 6:30 - 7:30 as we learn new ways to grow closer to God and understand His purpose for our lives and our church!



EVERYDAY THEOLOGY LED BY DR. STEVE STRANGE

'Everyday Theology' - a new 8-week study facilitated by Dr. Steve Strange, will launch on Wednesday, July 12th. In tandem with this adult, church-wide small group, the SWAG group will present 'Everyday Theology for Teens'. The adult Bible study will begin at 6:30 pm. The cost of the book is \$20. If you have any questions about the adult study, please see Steve Strange. Questions about the SWAG group study should be directed to Molly Hatcher or Carolyn Matthews.



Don't forget to come early on July 12th and enjoy the Trussville Methodist Men's Vegetable Fundraiser dinner. They start serving at 6:00 pm!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

➤➤➤ TMM MONTHLY BREAKFAST

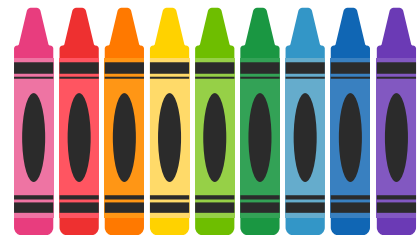
The Trussville Methodist Men will conduct their next monthly meeting on Sunday, July 9, 2023. Breakfast will be served at 7:00 am in the Fellowship Hall, followed by the meeting. Our speaker for July is Richard Searson, former Music Minister at Trussville First. Children and wives are welcome at meetings. Please notify Allen Hatcher by phone or text at (205) 773-9591 if you will be attending the meeting.

TMM FUNDRAISER

- Trussville Methodist Men's Vegetable Dinner Fundraiser Dinner is Wednesday, July 12 in the Christian Life Center - Food will be served at 6:00 pm.

➤➤➤ SCHOOL SUPPLY DONATIONS

For the month of July, our church will collect the following school supplies for neighboring school systems who have a need: crayons, washable markers, packages of wide ruled paper, and #2 pencils. Please drop off your donations no later than **Monday, July 31** at the Welcome Center or the Fellowship Hall in the bins marked for this collection. Thank you for your help!



➤➤➤ COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

The Mission Team volunteers this month at the Community Food Bank of Central Alabama from 9:00 to 11:30 am on Thursday, July 20, 2023. We welcome ALL who wish to help! If you would like to join the team, please register by calling Charlene Sharp at 205-835-2691 or email her at csharp@bellsouth.net.

➤➤➤ JULY NAOMI GIRLS LUNCHEON

Friday, July 21, 2023 at 11:00 am at the Olive Garden in Trussville. RSVP Linda Shaddix if you plan to attend.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

--Blessing Box on our front lawn-donation boxes just inside Front Door

-Toilet tissue collection for the Lovelady Center-area next to Fellowship Hall inside Front Door (Marked with sign on the wall)

-Serving as a volunteer for Nursery or Children's Ministry-contact Megan McEvoy

-Volunteering as an usher or liturgist-contact Lynda Payne

-Serving as a member of our Tech Team-contact Dan Shirah

-Kitchen Committee-help with potlucks and special events-call the church office (205-655-3259)

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➤➤➤ NAOMI GIRLS UPDATE

- Thank you for all the donations that have been given toward the Naomi Girls project, repairing water wells (\$1,500 each) and solar box kits (\$100 each) for communication. Please continue to send checks to FMC Trussville for these important projects. The money is sent to a local nonprofit, Designs for Hope, with Chris Bond.
- We have four water wells and 33 solar box kits donated at this time.
- Deadline for this project is Sunday, September 24, 2023. With your help, we can make it to five water wells by the deadline!
- Contact Linda Shaddix through the church office at 205-655-3259 if you have questions.

➤➤➤ SUPPORT FOR MISSION TRIP

Please help us support Mary Ann Cooper on her upcoming South Asia Mission Trip. Please use the following link to give:
<https://capstonechurch.managedmissions.com/MyTrip/maryanncooper1>

➤➤➤ SAVE THE DATES

- Sunday July 9 - Trussville Methodist Men's Breakfast 7 am-Fellowship Hall
- Wednesday July 12 - Methodist Men's Vegetable Dinner Fundraiser and small group study kick-off 'Life's Healing Choices' in CLC
- Wednesday August 16 - "Downrange Kilimanjaro" Designs for Hope Fundraiser Dinner in CLC

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

➤➤➤ MEGAN, MCEVOY, CHILDREN'S MINISTER

Church family,

Thank you so much for the warm welcome. A special thank you to Mrs. Barber for her dedication to this ministry and all her hard work keeping it going during a uncertain time in our church.



June has been so much fun already. We were able to help with and participate in the Community VBS, which was held at Clearbranch and hosted by us, Clearbranch, Clay Fellowship, and Springville Methodist. I want to say a big thank you to all of those who helped make this possible for our kids and the kids in the community. Our church was well represented with children AND volunteers. Here are just some of our kids who attended!

We have some exciting things planned and in the works for this ministry. With the start of Wednesday night dinners and adult Bible studies our children will have some fun and get creative! We have so many wonderful and talented church members who will be leading our children's classes in art or music on these nights. If you are interested in leading one of these nights please contact me, the more the merrier!

The children's ministry is updating all our contact lists. I need contact information for parents and information such as name and birthday for children. I am also getting volunteers together for all areas of this ministry. If you or someone you know might be interested in volunteering, please contact me. Volunteers are needed for Nursery, Sunday School (all ages), and Wednesday night classes. I would also like to get Children's Church started for all services, if anyone feels lead to help with that reach out to me.

Megan McEvoy

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Trussville First Methodist

CHILDREN'S CONSIGNMENT SALE

Fall 2023: September 10th-16th

WHO WE ARE: TFM Children's Consignment Sale is a mission of the church to provide affordable children's clothing to both church members and members of the community.

OUR MISSION: *Connecting hearts to Christ.* We pray that every consigner, shopper and volunteer experiences the love of Christ through their interactions with the sale. We hope the sale is an opportunity for our church to connect with the community and to share ways they can be involved.

WHO BENEFITS?

1. Consigners receive 70% of sale (80% if 20 or more hours volunteered)
2. After consigner payouts, proceeds go to 3 main areas within the church:
 - Children's Ministry, Youth & Kids First
 - Missions of TFM
 - Projects within TFM
3. Community: TEAM (Dollar Dash), local schools, etc.



GET INVOLVED!

We need volunteers for the sale to run. Volunteer opportunities are available *every day* the week of the sale! Men, women, youth, limited mobility... there is a place for you! For more info, visit tmccsale.com, follow us on social media, or see a committee member.

CONTACT:

EMAIL: trussvilleconsignment@hotmail.com



Trussville Methodist Consignment Sale



Trussville Methodist Consignment

OR

A committee member can answer your questions!



STUDENT MINISTRY

>>> PHILLIP, MCEVOY, YOUTH MINISTER

June was a phenomenal month for us. We took many of our students on their first plane ride, went out of the country for the first time, and on their first mission trip! I big THANK YOU from the Student Ministry for all of your prayers and support through every stage of this trip's process!



CUIDAD, MEXICO MISSION TRIP JUNE 2023



July has rolled around quickly and we are still looking for a few hosts for our "Home Invasions". If you would like to host the Student Ministry at your house one Sunday for food, fellowship, and a lesson then please reach out to me so I can work out a date.

We are also getting ready for our beach trip July 21st-24th. The cost of this trip is only... \$80! This will cover everything you need for the trip including your room, food, and transportation. If you or anyone you know would like to join us for this trip, please do not hesitate to let us know! We have a lot of fun activities planned for this trip, and several spots are still available.

KIDS FIRST DAY SCHOOL

➤➤➤ **AMY GULLEDGE, KIDS FIRST MINISTER**

The children at Kids First Day School are enjoying their summer activities.

Each preschool class has a scheduled water day, time to explore in the Outdoor Sensory Area, and enjoy the Ice Cream Truck on Fridays.

Our School Age Program has been busy doing Science, Crafts, Water Play, and Group Team Building Games. Their favorite field trip so far was visiting Noccalula Falls. The older groups also performed a play based on the book 'The Rainbow Fish' for the preschool children.





Women's Ministry Meet & Greet
Sunday, August 20, 2023
9:45 - 10:45 am in the Fellowship Hall

*Make new connections, ask questions about our
growing ministry and sign up to volunteer.*



Feel free to reach us at any time if you have questions!
We look forward to meeting you.



Email: tfmwomen@gmail.com



MEMORIALS & HONORARIA

Honorarium For:**By:****Fund:**

Barber Clark

Vernon & Kim Cooper

Naomi Fund - Well Repair

Memorial For:

Tony Hughes

Candy Strickland

General Fund

Connor Stewart

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Don Mullins

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He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

- Psalm 147:3

STEPHEN MINISTRY

>>> LOCAL? GLOBAL? INTERNATIONAL? CONFUSED?

by Garey Morrison

Are you confused about where we are going as a congregation? First Methodist Church of Trussville has become part of the Global Methodist Church. We are finding new ways to serve locally. One of our mission teams has been to Mexico recently. International! What is next? I do not know.

I do know our personal problems are local. They are with us almost every moment. I also know it can be hard to share those problems with others. The good news is you have local help. Your Stephen Ministry team is always available to meet with you. Your Stephen Ministers are trained to listen and make sure that you know that God loves you. If you need a Stephen Minister to walk with you during a challenging moment, let us know.

We love you and are here for you. When a life event affects you or someone you love, please let us know. We partner with you as long as you need us to. Confidentially. Confidently.

Blessings to you from your local Stephen Minister Team.

Garey Morrison



Trussville First UMC Stephen Ministers

Stuart Garner	Martha Cusimano	Garey Morrison	Bob Murray
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