



Heartbeat

The Church With The Warm Heart

Aldersgate United Methodist Church

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Mission of the Month for June

The Special Camp for adults ages 25-50 will be held this year at **Camp Sumatanga** on July 25th-31st at the pool camp. These Camps fill a need for the Mentally Disabled community. Special camps have been a part of Camp Sumatanga www.sumatanga.org for over 20 years and require many devoted volunteers to make it work. Many of the volunteers have come out of Aldersgate. If you have helped with Aldersgate's Monthly Good Neighbors Program, you have already met some of our campers.

Daily activities include swimming, canoeing, crafts and hiking. In addition, there is always a big Talent Show on Thursday Night and a Friday Night Dance. Both events are open for you to come and enjoy. This is really a Mission of Love and Caring which impacts:

The Campers - One of their big yearly events!

The Caregivers - An opportunity to renew the body & soul!!

The Volunteers - A week of blessings!!!

New volunteers are welcomed and encouraged. Many of us have said "I don't know if I can do this" but after the rookie season they keep coming back year after year!! If you are considering this as a way that you may want to serve, please talk to some of us about this rewarding experience.

Due to the generosity of many folks no camper has been turned away due to the inability to pay. The weekly cost is \$375 for the week or just \$75 a day. Please consider supporting a camper for a day or two so that this record can continue.

2011 Habitat for Humanity

We are in the home stretch with less than one month left on the Habitat build in northwest Huntsville. If you've been thinking of coming out to volunteer or have waited until the heavy construction is over, the next several weeks would be a great opportunity to help build an affordable home for a qualified family. Saturdays, Tuesdays and Thursdays are scheduled workdays and there is a lot of jobs still to finish prior to the house dedication on June 18. Aldersgate traditionally sponsors a house every other year, so the chance to get your hands dirty with landscaping, or learn how to install interior doors, or simply participate in the build, is coming to an end.

Through the generous donations of church members, we have contributed \$5,000 toward the cost of materials for this house. Historically, we have always supported Habitat with our labor, often providing the most volunteers of any of the other church sponsors. So, please give this Christian ministry some thought. More information is on the church website, www.Aldersgate.ws and if you have questions, feel free to contact Brian Bradley by email (bk75bradley@comcast.net) or by phone (883-1788).



Upcoming Men's Ministry Opportunities

Gridiron Men's Conference 29 – 30 July at Coleman Coliseum Tuscaloosa, AL. The Conference starts at 5:30 pm on the 29th and finishes up about 12:30 on the 30th. The cost for just the Conference is \$79.00 per person plus lodging. Transportation will be worked out after we see how many sign up to go. If you are interested in going, contact Robert Barnett at (256) 270-9691 or email at rbarnett1965@yahoo.com. There may be other local churches going to this event that we might be able to team up with. You can visit Gridiron Men's website at www.gridironmens.org for more information.

What you can expect is first a great time and powerful messages rooted in faith for today's men. Second, this event will impact men and boys with the gospel of Christ and show them how they can make a difference in the lives of others. Scheduled speakers are NFL quarterback and Heisman trophy winner Danny Wuerffel, Pat Summerall, Orlando Magic VP Pat Williams, our friend and legend John Croyle, comedian Ken Davis and one of the best worship leaders in the business Charles Billingsley.

Next, is Promise Keepers Men's Classic Event 2011. The event will take place 19 – 20 August in Akron, OH. The cost for registration is \$50.00 per person. We will have two nights lodging and be arriving back to Huntsville late on the 21st. The lodging cost will depend on how many people will be going. The number of people going will also determine the cost of transportation. As any trip, the more that sign up the cheaper it will be on everyone. If you would like to put your name on the list as going or have questions, contact Robert Barnett at (256) 270-9691 or email rbarnett1965@yahoo.com. You can visit the Promise Keepers website at www.promisekeepers.org for more information about the event.

We will have other Men's events during the year here closer to home, so keep a lookout in the monthly calendar and the church bulletin.

Financial Peace University Graduation! (Jim & Kim Shivers)

We would like to congratulate Matthew Collette, Derry Kearns, Mallory Kearns, Richard & Beverly Salazar, Shelley Sebastian, Jerry Shelton, Shelby & Eric Snead, Ramsey Thomson, Brad & Lori Henrikson, Keith & Christy Marchand, and Michelle Woodruff for recently completing Financial Peace University here at Aldersgate. During the 13-week course, our group has learned strategies, taught by Dave Ramsey, to help us better manage the finances God has entrusted to each of us. Our prayer is that each member of our group will continue to use these tools to serve God and share what they have learned with others.

Look for the next class offered by Aldersgate this Fall. If you are interested in learning about Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University contact Jim or Kim Shivers (882-1715) or Lydia Locke (883-9062). Additional details on Dave Ramsey and the Financial Peace University program can also be found at: <http://www.daveramsey.com/>

Come and Dream & Vision Together- Willowcreek's Leadership Summit

2011- Mark your calendar, get registered for Friday and Saturday, August 11-12, 9:00 am-5:00 pm, @ Cove United Methodist Church, Hampton Cove

www.willowcreek.com/events/leadership for more information. Contact Wendy Sampson (wendy.sampson@aldersgate.ws) for registration.

UMW NEWS The Deborah, Friendship and Susannah circles celebrated spring with a lunch or supper at their meeting times in May. All circles will be taking a break for the summer. The Bread Circle is encouraging all those interested in meeting with this circle to contact Fran Cornelius at fndcornelison@comcast.net.

On Tuesday, June 21st we are inviting all women of the church to join us in celebration of the Summer Solstice with a night out at Beauiegards on Airport Road at 6:30 pm.

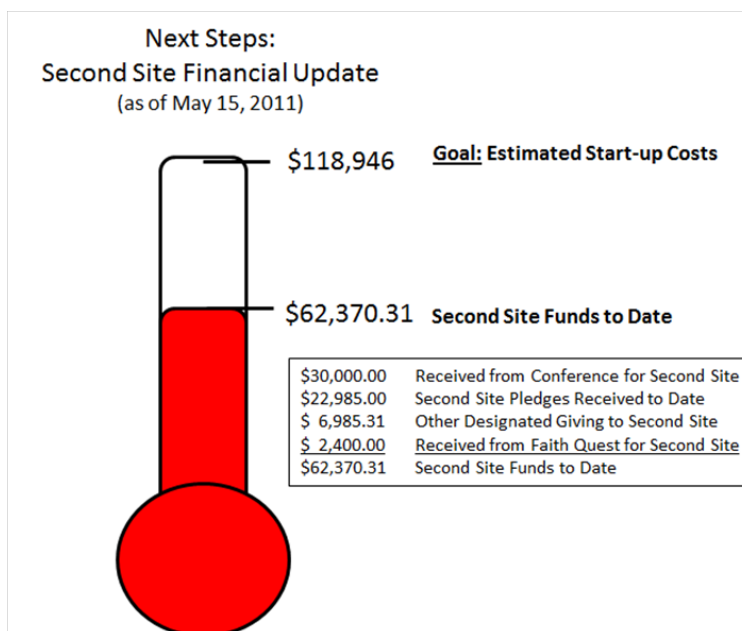
Mark your calendar for a night of Bunco on Friday, August 19th at 6:00 pm. If you don't know how to play we'll teach you. Everyone is invited to join us for this fun evening and to help us support missions. Look for more details coming on of both these activities. We hope to see you at these activities and our circle meetings which will start back in September.

Next Steps: Second Site Financial Update (as of May 22, 2011)

Finance/Stewardship Team

Connie Nicholson, our Trustees chairperson, continues to work the negotiations of a contract for the Skate Odyssey building and is making preparations for the launch of that ministry in late Summer/early Fall timeframe. The Trustees continue to recruit volunteers to help with building the stage, painting walls and doors, choosing furnishings, drapes and banners for decorating, general cleaning, and landscape work. Our Next Steps Team estimated the initial costs to prepare the new facility for this ministry to be \$118,946 (this estimate includes a new sound system for the Main Campus Sanctuary). The graphic below shows progress toward these financial goals which support the growing ministry at Aldersgate. We are all encouraged to prayerfully consider our talents, experiences, creative ideas, energy, time, spiritual gifts, and finances as we seek to serve God and further His Kingdom.

Additional updates are available on the church website at the following url: <http://www.aldersgate.ws/about/growth-plan>





We recognize and congratulate the following Aldersgate high school seniors:

Payton Ambrose, Katie Bryant, Riley Childress, Caroline Cotton, Barret Crawford, Parker Dickson, Jared Dowling, Leah Drinnon, Esteban Fabre, Jeremy Fisher, Ashley Hill, Blake Hilton, Courtney Hurt, Heather Jeziorski, John Thomas Leiner, Robert Pendley, Taylor Plott, Kevin Poorman, Katie Roberts, Michael Robinson, Patrick Saik, Garrett Salazar, Ben Sams, Wes Sharp, Monica Smith, James Vandergrift, Jana West, Natalie Williams, Sam Wofford.

College Graduate Recognition-

If you have an immediate family member who has recently graduated from college, please contact the church office with the name, the degree, and the school. We will recognize these graduates in a future issue of the Heartbeat.

HAP FOOD COLLECTION

During the month of June, we will be having a food drive to support Huntsville Assistance Program (HAP). More people than ever are coming to them for assistance, so please pick up some items each time you go shopping this month. They can use anything, but there is always a need for canned meats, soups, mac and cheese, canned fruits, canned vegetables, cereals, peanut butter and jelly, pasta noodles and sauce - anything your family would like to eat. They cannot accept food that has an expired date on it, so please check that. Place any donations in the blue baskets at either entrance. Thank you for helping to support this important program and our community.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS

Lydia Locke and Rachel Sparkman

**Children's Ministry
Lydia Locke and Rachel Sparkman**

Music and Arts Week: a Technicolor Promise, Noah's story

July 11 – 15

Finished 6th grade – 3rd grade from 9 – 2

Finished 2nd grade – preschool from 9 – 11:30

Cost is \$20 for the week.

The older grades will learn an entire musical in a week! There are speaking parts, dance numbers, chorus, and more! Invite your friends to join us. Our younger kids will learn about Noah, sing, games, snacks, and learn our chorus song. Registration is open and invite your friends.

Missions Mania

Tuesday, June 14 for kindergarten – 5th from 9 – 12

Heading up to Green Mountain Nature Trail for a morning of working in our community

Wednesday, June 15 for kindergarten – 5th from 9 – 12

Making goodies for our local fire department, police department and others who serve our community
Older kids to Manna House

All packing lunches for Thursday to give to Homeless

Thursday, June 16 – 3rd – 5th from 7 – 5 All day trip to Birmingham

Serving Breakfast at the Church of the Reconciler, tour of Urban Ministries, picnic at Kelly Ingram Park and a visit to the Civil Rights Museum.

Cost is \$5 for this day only and pack a sack lunch.

Registration due by Sunday, June 12

No cost, t-shirts available for \$10

You must fill out a permission form to participate.

Church Wide Picnic

Sunday, June 19th 4 pm

Monte Sano State Park Small Pavilion overlooking the bluff

Come join your church family for an afternoon of food and fellowship. The church will provide hotdogs, buns, condiments, and paper products. Please bring side items, drinks and desserts.

Church wide Ice Cream Social

Sunday, July 31st 6:00 pm

Green Mountain Nature Trail

Bring homemade ice cream, desserts, and toppings.

Margaret and Larry Stephens

are delighted to invite you to a reception celebrating the June 4th marriage of their daughter, Joy to Chris Davis

June 19, 2011

2:00 until 5:00 pm

Wesley Hall

Trinity United Methodist Church

Huntsville, Alabama



June Birthdays

1 Nicholas Roberts
 3 Marion Stahl
 Diane Puckett
 Lydia Locke
 4 Susan Janus
 Diana Hyde
 Lawson McIngvale
 5 Elizabeth Jennings
 Cameron Arbuckle
 6 Melanie S. Smith
 Tom Yost
 Pamela Sexton
 7 Bill Hearn
 Rebecca Bailes
 8 Thelma Harp
 Jim Weaver
 Ruth Bruce
 Jennifer Berry
 Kelly Emerson
 9 Jimmy Sampson
 10 Earl Todd
 Jason Young
 Ben Sams

11 Becky Martin
 Naida Fabre
 Cliff Whitmore
 Jonathon Ridgway
 12 Emma McCauley
 Wen Burnette
 13 Pat McIngvale
 Connie Carter
 Ray McCormick
 14 Digna Werber
 Tony Goodloe
 Michael Callins
 15 Wilma Powers
 Diana Rivera
 17 Martha McInnish
 Amy Childress
 Allison Haack
 18 Haley Hyde
 Jessica Bailes
 Jackson Bailes
 19 Linda Levenhagen
 Sean Lee
 Stephanie Pentecost
 Noah McCormick

20 Len Iseldyke
 Dave Hannaford
 21 Kim Weinland
 Heather Bundy
 Calvin Berry
 22 Diana Dowling
 Illyssa Smith
 23 Anita Burttram
 Bob Janus
 Hannah Huddleston
 24 Deedee Ezell
 25 Laurie Clark
 Jill Bailey
 Aiden Oberle
 26 Dick Dailey
 Jeff Sparkman
 27 LeeAnn Sapp
 28 Janice Hamilton
 Steve Shaw
 Steven Levenhagen
 Kathrine Burnette
 29 Norma Van Zee
 Rand Gaylord
 30 Frank Mcingvale
 Sam Roberts

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Traditional Worship 8:30 and 11:00 AM
 Contemporary Worship 9:45 AM and 11:05 AM
 Sunday School 9:45 AM
 Office Hours:
 Mon - Thurs 8:30 to 3:30

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