

## WEEKLY CALENDAR OF MINISTRIES

JULY 7 - JULY 13

### SUNDAY, July 7

- 8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service
- 9:50 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
- 5:00 p.m. Youth

### MONDAY, July 8

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast

### TUESDAY, July 9

- 9:00 a.m. Hebrews Part 3 Precept
- 5:30 p.m. Hebrews Part 3 Precept

### WEDNESDAY, July 10

- 9:30 a.m. Little Saints Preschool Worship Time
- 5:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m. Praise Band Practice

### THURSDAY, July 11

- 6:00 p.m. Finance Meeting

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# STANDNEWS

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### ST. ANDREW'S STAFF

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### True Liberty and Freedom

Blessings folks! It is the season when we reflect upon the blessing we have to live where we do. We celebrate July 4 as a day of declaration of independence from tyranny. Things are not as they always seem. The actual vote occurred on July 2. Read John Adams' words written to his wife on July 3, 1776...

*The Second Day of July 1776,  
will be the most memorable Epocha,  
in the History of America.*

*I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated, by succeeding Generations, as the great anniversary Festival. It ought to be commemorated, as the Day of Deliverance by solemn Acts of Devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with Pomp and Parade, with Shews, Games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more. You will think me transported with Enthusiasm but I am not. -- I am well aware of the Toil and Blood and Treasure, that it will cost Us to maintain this Declaration, and support and defend these States. -- Yet through all the Gloom I can see the Rays of ravishing Light and Glory. I can see that the End is more than worth all the Means. And that Posterity will triumph in that Days Transaction, even altho We should rue it, which I trust in God We shall not.*

Keep in mind that things are not always as we have been taught...nor as we think. Let us do a couple of things in celebrating.

First...know and remember that true liberty and freedom are only found in the Most High God.

*Isa 61:1*

*The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, Because the LORD has anointed me  
To bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,  
To proclaim liberty to captives, And freedom to prisoners;*

Jesus fulfilled Isa 61:1...

*Luke 4:17-19*

*And the book of the prophet Isaiah was handed to Him (Jesus).  
And He opened the book and found the place where it was written,  
"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor.  
He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free  
those who are oppressed. To proclaim the favorable year of the Lord."*

Second, we need to pray for the nation. We should use the examples found in Daniel 9, Nehemiah 9 and Ezra 9.

Take each of these passages and pray them before the Lord on behalf of the nation.

Let us do so!  
Selah!

Dale Moore



**WE COVENANT WITH GOD THROUGH . . . OUR PRAYERS**

**Health and Healing:** Terry Armstrong, Kandi Foust Barnett, Levi Bates, Rhea Bearden, Lori Bice, Rayburn Bradley, Jenifer Brown, Andrew Buckalew, Carl Buttke, Edna Byrd, Freddie Byrd, Nancy Carmichael, Don Cole, Cheryl Crider, Matthew Edmondson, Joe and Kelly England, Melinda & Summer Evans, Bobbie Fell, Cathy Fincher, Larry & Imogene Galin, Pressley Gardner, Tiffany Godfrey, Sara Myers Gross, Faye Hall, Barbara Harris, Ronda Harris, Tom Hinkle, Pete Ivey, Charles Jackson, Ron Jasper, Will Jasper, Joshua Jones, Keith Jones, Alice Keenum, Shirley Long, Christie McAbee, Tracy McGhee, Randall & Sandra McGlaughn, Mickey Megginson, Andrea Prater, Trisha Prater, Sara & Bud Pritcett, Martha Roberson, Mike Russell, Dorothy Sinyard, Lucille Slade, Marsha Smith, Michael Smith, Phyllis Smith, Anna Sparks, Clint Tankersley, Jason Teeter, Sherri Troxler, Beverly Turner, Gary Turner, Jr., Stephanie Usher

**Homebound, Nursing Home or Assisted Living:** Rose Akers, Erma Barnett, Jim & Pat Cleghorn, Peggy Doss, Margaret Gill, Elwanda Houston, Eulala McCain, Joe & Jo Ann McMillan, John & Connie New, Rhonda Oakley, Rheva Patton, Jeanell Raney, Jean Sellers, Joyce Sparks, Margaret Stallings, Edna Wade, Don Wiggins, Norma Wrenn

**Active Military:** Tim Anderson, Justin Bloom, Michael Cavanaugh, Sam Cretser, Landon Elliott, James Heard, Austin Hubbard, Josh Laspin, Chris Leon, Devin Mize, Grant Pinkley, Roger Queen, Malcolm Riker, Angelo Rossi, Tony Ruehl, Josh Ryan, Mark Smith, Matthew Steele, Dylan Tindale, Kevin White, Doreann Wiley

**JULY SERVANTS**  
**Trustee:** Sandra Britton

**8:30 a.m. Worship**  
**Altar:** Lee Berry  
**Make Coffee:** David Adams  
**Worship Greeters:** Rickey Nails and Sandra Stricklin  
**Hand Out Bulletins:** Brenda and Michele Cash  
**Take Up Offering:** James Laminack and Billy Bonds  
**Pick Up Attendance Pad:** Charlie and Dianne Herfurth  
**Scripture Reader:** Brenda Cash

**Sunday, July 7**  
**Refreshments:** Rhonda Brown  
**Security:** Billy Bonds  
**Honeybees:** Anna Calvert  
**Set up Chairs:** Kay & Mickey Phillips, David Fisher  
**Communion Servers:** Jim and Peggy Ryan, David Adams, Michele and Brenda Cash, Kim Cosper

**11:00 a.m. Worship**  
**Altar:** Hilda Aldridge  
**Head Usher:** Bill Ruehl  
**Ushers:** Byron and Rose Marie Martin, David McKoy and Greg Wrenn  
**Pick Up Attendance Pads:** Debbie Price and Marilyn Bell  
**Organize Pew Racks:** Lori Tafazoli  
**Scripture Reader:** Carol Law  
**Acolyte:** Caroline Worley

**Sunday, July 7**  
**Honeybees:** Sharon Lott  
**Communion Servers:** Gail Brown, Vikki Smith, Gerald and Sandra Weatherly  
**Prayer Partners:** Carolyn and Doyle Jones

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		<u>OUR ATTENDANCE</u>	
		May 26	
	8:30 a.m.		84
	11:00 a.m.		75
			159
	Sunday School		102
		June 2	
	8:30 a.m.		82
	11:00 a.m.		71
			153
	Sunday School		87
		June 9	
	8:30 a.m.		81
	11:00 a.m.		83
			164
	Sunday School		96
		June 16	
	8:30 a.m.		79
	11:00 a.m.		67
			146
	Sunday School		78

<u>OUR VISITORS</u>	
Sandra Armistead	Rhonda Dewalt
Daren Blake	Lynleigh Hamm
Linda & Johnny Mack	Anna Kayte Hawkins
Brown	Dave Kennedy
Gayle Cooper	Wesley Sigah

Reminder: The Church Office and Preschool will be closed on Thursday and Friday, July 4th and 5th for the holiday.

Please check the health and healing and active military lists above to see if there are any names that can be removed and let Lori know. Thank you.

**Upcoming Meetings & Events**

**Trustees Meeting**  
 Tuesday, July 2 at 6:30 p.m.

**Finance Meeting**  
 Thursday, July 11 at 6:00 p.m.

**Emmaus**  
 Tuesday, July 16 at 6:00 p.m.

**Traveling Saints**  
 Thursday, July 18 at 10:00 a.m.

**Church Council**  
 Sunday, July 21 at 4:00 p.m.

**Stephen Ministry Supervision**  
 Monday, July 22 at 6:00 p.m.

**Newsletter Folding**  
 Wednesday, July 24 at 9:30 a.m.

Swamp John's Fundraiser  
 Thursday, August 15  
 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.  
 \$12/plate



Save the Date  
 Senior Spirit Singers  
 Sunday, August 18  
 5:00 p.m.  
 Sanctuary

Save the Date  
 Traveling Saints  
 July 18th at 10:00 am.  
 More information to follow



**Annual Conference 2019 Recap**

The 2019 North Alabama Conference gathered on June 2-4, at the Von Braun Center in Huntsville under the theme "Singing God's Song in New Places with New Faces." The Conference priority focus was New Faith Communities. The New Church Team made several presentations during the conference in which they shared stories of new congregations and fresh expressions throughout North Alabama. Also shared were current religious trends impacting congregations and how people's connection with the church is changing. United Methodists were encouraged to seek those new places to welcome new people by reminding them, "Church can happen anywhere!" Also encouraged were to be more diverse and mindful of the ever changing mission field and focus on bringing people to Jesus Christ.

Monday afternoon began with a Memorial Service during which clergy and clergy spouses who died during the last year were remembered. Business for the afternoon began with the Board of Ordained Ministry reporting seven new Full Connection Elders, one new Full Connection Deacon, eight Provisional Clergy, seven continuing Provisional Members, nine newly licensed and appointed Local Pastors, ten newly certified Candidates for Ministry, one Professional Certification in Children's Ministry and Christian Education and one Professional Certification in Spiritual Formation. Retiring clergy were also recognized; there were twenty. Rev. Walter Cash was also recognized for his retirement as Director of Alabama Course of Study. There were also five church closings this year.

The Conference approved the proposed 2020 budget of \$10,155,717. There has been no increase over the last five years in the budget. The Board of Health and Pensions reports were approved which included a 5.7% rate increase in health care premium rates for the 2020 year.

The following resolutions were adopted: Representation of Young People in the North Alabama Conference and Resolution for Pilgrimage to the National Memorial for Peace and Justice. The following resolutions were rejected: Changes to Order of Lay Equalization in Standing Rules, Resolution for Representation of Young People in North Alabama's General Conference Delegation, Resolution of Public Apology for Harm Done through GC2019, Resolution Against Mass Incarceration, Racial Profiling and the War on Drugs, Resolution Repudiating the 2006 Resolution to Support the War in Iraq. Tabled the following resolution until next year: Resolution on Climate Change. The Conference also rejected the petition Preaching Climate Change Denial as a Chargeable Offense.

The conference commissioned the 2020 General Conference and Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference delegation. I encourage you for a full recap, report of the resolutions and a list of delegation members to visit the North Alabama Conference website at [www.umcna.org](http://www.umcna.org). Please keep our church in prayer as we move forward into 2020 General Conference.