

Church office closed Sept. 4 & 8

Attention Youth! The youth room will now open at 4:00 pm on Wednesdays for homework and afterschool hangout time!

Mission Trip-Deadline to confirm you are going & to return registration form with medical info is Sept. 6. Please return to these to Beverly by or before that date. Remember a copy of your health card or form is needed to go with your registration form.

Ladies of the church: It's a BOY! You are invited to attend a Baby Shower in honor of Pamela and Dustin Baird on Saturday, September 9, from 3:00-5:00 pm at the Cider Ridge Club House, 200 Apple Blossom Way, Oxford, AL. To RSVP, call or text Lhoris Johnson 678-232-9612. Pam is registered at Buy Buy Baby and Target

Trustees Sept. 10, at 4:30 pm in Forum

United Methodist Women Quarterly Meeting changed to Sept. 11 at 6:30 pm in Parlor

Next date for altar flowers is Sept. 17; sign up in church office

Lucy Mitchell Subgroup invites women of the church (and their friends) to a Bible study starting Oct. 9 at 1:00 pm. The book we will be using is A Lineage of Grace by Francine Rivers and is about five unlikely women who changed eternity: Tamar; Rahab; Ruth; Bathsheba; and Mary. If you are interested in participating in this study and would like to order a book, please contact Susan Wall or Glenda Prestridge. Last day to order a book is September 10. We hope you will join us for this exciting Study.

2017 Christmas Shoe boxes—Boxes along with instructions in TMMC, sanctuary, & church office. Include envelope with \$5 cash or check payable to OXFUMC taped to outside of box by Sept. 29. Do not over-stuff your box.

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8:45 am Biscuits & Coffee (TMMC)

9:15 am Sunday School

10:00 am Coffee Time

10:30 am **Morning Worship**

4:00 pm Handbell Choir

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10:00 am Newsletter Deadline, Coffee & Coloring (Parlor)

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10:00 am Shut-in visitation

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10:30 am Emmaus Reunion Group-Women (Parlor)

12:00 pm Emmaus Reunion Group-Men (Anniston FUMC)

4:00 pm Youth room open

5:30 pm Wednesday Meal-hamburger steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, rolls, dessert

6:15 pm Wednesday's Kids, Bible Study, Youth

7:00 pm Choir Practice

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10:00 am Crochet Class

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SECURITY TEAM TODAY

MATTHEW GRIZZARD
DEWELL IRELAND
STEVE MOSELEY
TERRY WOMACK

Taking donations for cleaning kits for Hurricane Harvey; cost about \$65-any amount welcome. Checks payable to OXFUMC & mark for Hurricane Cleaning Kits; give to Bill Prestridge or Beverly or put in offering plate. Bill Prestridge organizing purchasing & packaging of supplies.



Lead Pastor
Rev. David Allison

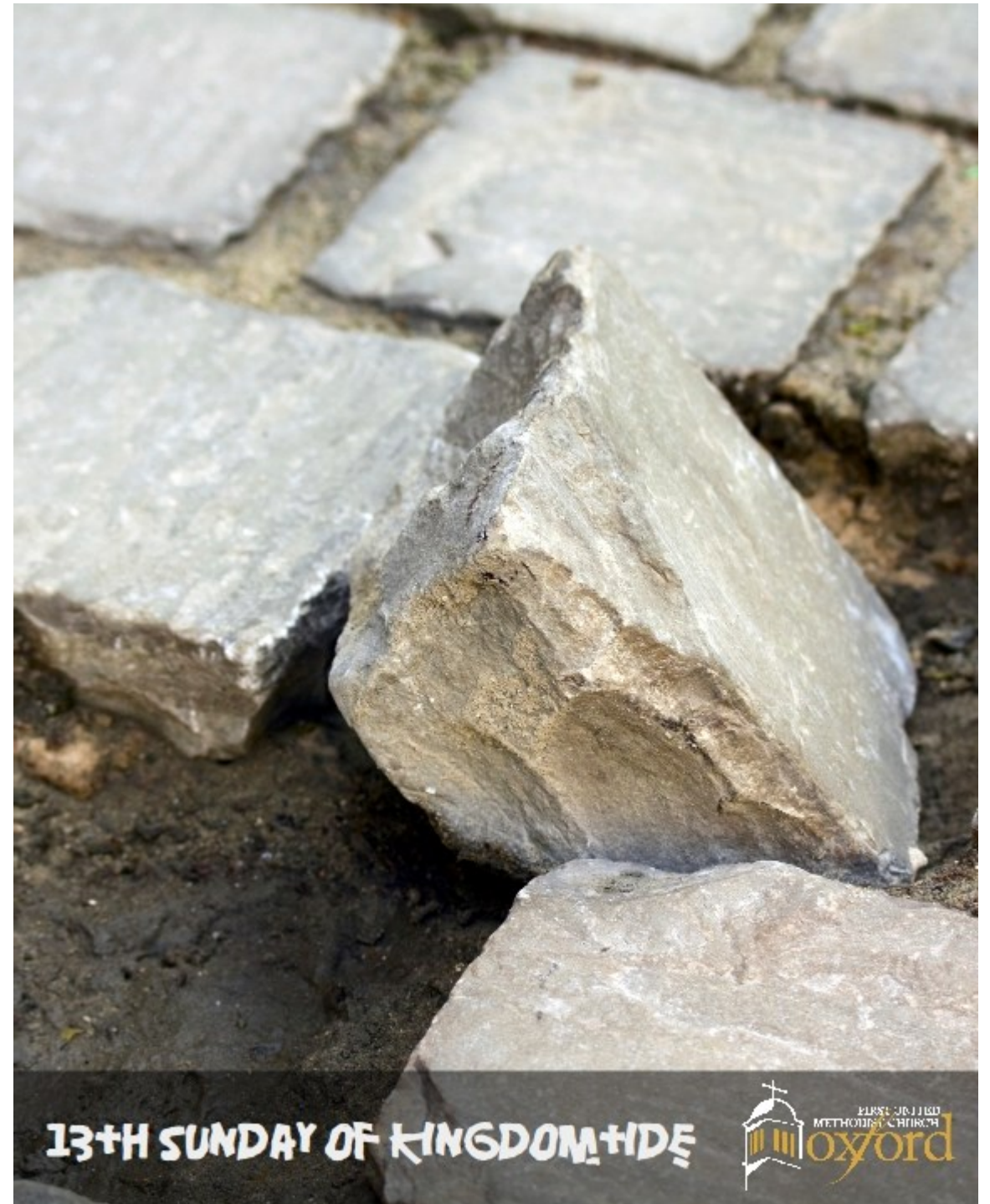
Ministry to Students
Dustin and Pam Baird

Ministry to Children
Shelby Ray and Stacey Rhodes

Ministry of Music
Martha Lenard
Sarah Thompson
Beverly Carlee and Laurie Martin

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MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude "This I Believe" Crocker

Greeting Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

*Songs of Praise "We Will Glorify the King of Kings" FWS No. 2087

1. We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb;
We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.
2. Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty, we will bow before his throne;
We will worship him in righteousness, we will worship him alone.
3. He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth, He is Lord of all who live;
He is Lord above the universe, all praise to him we give.
4. Hallelujah to the King of kings, hallelujah to the Lamb;
Hallelujah to the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.

"Holy Ground" FWS No. 2272
We are standing on holy ground, and I know that there are angels all around;
Let us praise Jesus now; we are standing in his presence on holy ground.

*Collect of the Day

Scripture Readings Exodus 3:1-15 OT Pg. 50
Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c UMH No. 828
Romans 12:9-21 NT Pg. 162

Kingdom Kids

Anthem "Walk" Church Choir

Gospel Reading Matthew 16:21-28 NT Pg. 18

Sermon "Stumbling Block" Rev. David Allison

*Affirmation of Faith UMH No. 881

Prayers of the People

*The Peace

Offertory "I Need Thee Every Hour" Lowry

*Doxology UMH No. 95

**Holy Communion
Gifts left at the altar during Communion will be used in the Pastor's Discretionary Fund.

Post Communion Prayer UMH No. 11

*Hymn of Commitment "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" FWS No. 2129

1. I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus,
I have decided to follow Jesus no turning back, no turning back.
2. The world behind me, the cross before me . . .
3. Though none go with me, still I will follow . . .

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Response "Let There Be Peace on Earth" Congregation
UMH No. 431
2nd page only

Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now. With every step I take,
Let this be my solemn vow: to take each moment and live each moment in
Peace eternally. Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me. Amen.

*Postlude "Come, Thou Almighty King" Smith

* *Stand as you are able.*

** *If you have a medical requirement for gluten free breads, please indicate when you come forward.*

*The flowers placed at the altar today are given to the glory of God
by the Hamilton Henson Class.*

Today's Acolytes: Cara Busby, Adilynn Ray

To our guests today ...

Welcome to Oxford First United Methodist Church! We hope you find the worship experience warm, inspiring and informative.

We invite you to follow our pastor's sermon on the YouVersion Bible app on your phone or device. Choose "more" and then "Events", then choose today's event. Log onto our network, FUMC-Oxf-Guest. The password is guest@ccess.

Please sign the attendance registration form and give us an address or email address. Enjoy your worship experience at Oxford First!

The Lord be with you ...