



Good News

Aldersgate Mission: "To Know Jesus And To Make Him Known"

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Isaiah 6:8-9 "Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"

Gulf Coast Recovery

On October 10, 2018, Hurricane Michael made landfall as a category 4 storm near Mexico Beach, Florida, then ripped through the Panama City, Lynn Haven, and Mariana areas before heading into southwest Alabama, Georgia, and beyond. Twenty-nine United Methodist churches were damaged or destroyed. The Alabama-West Florida Conference (AWFC) has been working hard to bring aid and assistance to the area since the storm hit.

The Aldersgate family responded by collecting supplies, packing flood buckets and hygiene kits, making quilts and afghans, collecting blankets, and praying. We donated to Aldersgate's Operation Relief and sent \$1000 from that fund to AWFC Hurricane Recovery which will assist with pastor salaries, rebuilding, and immediate needs. A check will be presented to the Conference during the traditional service on January 20.

There is still more work for us to do. The quilters are continuing to make quilts, prayers are still being lifted up, and plans are being made for small teams to go to the Gulf Coast to help with recovery. Trips are planned this year during the five weeks that begin February 7-9, March 18, June 24, September 23, and November 4. Dr. Brian Miller will lead three of these trips (February, June, November) ;

We are also excited to announce that AWFC Hurricane Recovery has been added to our list of national ministry partners which will allow us to provide ongoing support through your Faith Promise giving.

Rev. Richard Williams
Minister of Discipleship and Mission

About Good News Newsletter

Good News Newsletter is the primary communication tool to share how Aldersgate United Methodist Church is living into its mission: To know Jesus and to make Him known. Soon Good News Newsletter will transition to a weekly digital newsletter



Marion and Mary Woods served as missionaries in northern Costa Rica from their marriage in 1993 until his death in April 2016 at the age of 97. Mary continues the work Marion started in 1950. With God's help she manages the Methodist Rural Center in Ciudad Quesada which serves as a retreat center for Costa Rican churches and as a base for Volunteer in Mission (VIM) Teams working in the northern part of Costa Rica. The ministry focuses on church building and strengthening by providing materials for physical and spiritual growth including sewing ministries, teaching ministries, building ministries, and provision of medical and dental care.

Mary recently received Faith Promise funds from us. She wrote in response, "Your gift from Aldersgate is vitally important in this missionary work here. I could not do what needs to be done without our partnership. Please thank the church and all the mission areas for their prayers and for the gifts to finance what needs to be done. We are so thankful. In His love and care, Mary"

Announcements

1. Music Opportunities:

Teeny Tykes and Tunes

Teeny Tykes and Tunes will be offered during our Winter and Spring at Aldersgate on Wednesday nights. Did you know that much of your child's development occurs before Kindergarten? Teeny Tykes & Tunes is research based, educationally sound and has been proven to be a vital and exciting program through which parents can help their children grow and develop. *You can sign up on our website at www.aldersgateumc.org, with our Weekday Children's Ministry Music Director, Rebekah Bye, or by email to Rev. Steve Badskey, steve@aldersgateumc.org.*

Choir Rehearsals

Begin the New Year with a song in your heart. Join us for a choir rehearsal soon. Our Adult Ensemble and Chancel Choir will resume rehearsals at 7:00 on Wednesday nights on January 9, our Youth Choir and Joyful Bells will resume rehearsal on January 6.

Senior Saint Winter Schedule

Thurs., Jan. 31 | 10 a.m. | Sing at Elmcroft
Fri., March 1 | 10 a.m. | Sing at Crowne Nursing Home

Below is just a glimpse of some of the musical opportunities offered here at Aldersgate:

Sunday Schedule

Youth Choir (grades 7-12) – 4:00 p.m.
Joyful Bells (adult) – 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday Schedule

Chancel Choir (adult) – 7:00 p.m.
Teeny Tykes and Tunes (babies & ages 3-5) – 6:00 p.m.
Senior Saints (sr. adult) - 11:00 a.m.

Wednesdays and Sundays as needed

Aldersgate Orchestra (adults and youth) – TBA

Plus all of our ensembles for voices and instruments. Visitors are always welcome at any of our rehearsals, come join us!!

2. No Adult Ensemble rehearsal on Jan. 23

Events

The Maranatha Sunday School Class

Jan. 20 | 9:15 a.m. | Room 119

YOU ARE INVITED! The Maranatha Class is a Ray Vander Laan study starting January 20 with alternating video/discussion weeks. Entitled 'The Mission of Jesus,' it uncovers fascinating truths about our faith. Join us for this journey!

Youth Small Groups

Jan. 20 | 5 p.m. | CAC

We'll begin at 5 with a meal in the CAC and after a short activity/game we'll head upstairs to begin our new series "Two Nights Only" that talks about our identity in Christ and how that should impact our everyday lives. Join us on Sunday!

Youth Winter Retreat

Jan. 25- 27, 2019 | Shocco Springs

Registration and payments due by Jan. 11

Register at: <https://aldersgateumcmontgomery.wufoo.com/forms/youth-winter-retreat/>

- \$50 for the first child registered in a family
- \$40/additional child in a family

Cost includes: transportation, 5 meals, lodging, programming and a Winter Retreat 2019 t-shirt.

Payments may be made by cash or check. Please bring payments to Miles Barnhardt during weekly office hours or Sunday mornings.

For more information contact: Miles at 334-356-6197 or milesaldersgateumc.org.

Awakening Tour

Jan. 28 | 7 p.m.

Cornerstone UMC 2123 Hamilton Rd., Auburn, 36830

Aldersgate's Prayer Ministry invites you! God is building a movement of people who are contending with God for spiritual awakening in America today. A night for awakening is a space created for you to come and join others in seeking God for a move of awakening for today. It will be a night of worship and focused times of prayer for God to awaken our hearts and our culture. This is a space created for you to come alongside others to cry out to God for a fresh move of awakening. We will be taking the church bus. *If you'd like to ride, please contact Barbara McBryde at 334-324-0813.*

Youth Super Bowl Party

Feb. 3 | Time TBD | The Miller's House

For more info. contact Miles Barnhardt at miles@aldersgateumc.org

Young In Heart

Feb. 5 | 11:30 a.m. | CAC

The Halcyon Elementary School Choir will present a musical program. Lunch is served at 11:30 a.m. (\$6.00 each) Reservations required no later than Sunday, Feb. 3. Contact Margaret Watkins - 334-272-2212.

Parents' Night Out

Feb. 8 | 5:30 - 9:30 p.m.

Parents, enjoy a nice evening out by yourselves! Children ages infant through 5th grade are invited to join us for a night of fun! The cost is \$15 per child with a \$40 max per family. Registration is required. *Register online at aldersgateumc.org beginning on January 21st.*

UMVIM Team Leader Training

Feb. 9 | 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. | Auburn UMC

\$25 Registration Fee

Interested in leading a mission team, but don't know where to start? Participants in this training will receive a wealth of information on preparing an UMVIM team for service, including such topics as effective project selection, spiritual development, cultural sensitivity for teams, logistics, and finance. Included in the registration fee is the UMVIM Team Leader Handbook and lunch. See George Mingledorff for more details.

River Region Readers

Feb. 10 | 6 p.m. | Rm. 119

Join us as we discuss The Alice Network by Kate Quinn. All are welcome! If you want to read ahead, we will be discussing Before We Were Yours by Lisa Wingate on March 10 and My Italian Bulldozer by Alexander McCall Smith on April 14.

Night of Worship

Feb. 10 | 6 p.m. | CAC

Save the date and prepare your hearts for an evening of contemporary worship performed by our very own Aldersgate Worship Team. Be sure to invite your friends and family!

Father/Daughter Dance

Feb. 15 | 6 - 8 p.m. | CAC

Dads, take your daughters out to dance the evening away to some of your favorite tunes! All ages are invited to attend. Be sure to wear your Sunday best! Refreshments will be offered. *No cost to attend, but a donation basket will be available. For more info. contact Katie Blair at katie@aldersgateumc.org.*

6th Annual Global Impact Celebration

Sun., Feb. 24

Save the date! Our 6th Annual Global Impact Celebration (GIC) will be Sunday, February 24, 2019. This year's keynote speaker will be Rev. Lisa Ausley.

Old Fashioned Hymn Sing

March 3 | 6 p.m. | Chapel

Join us for an Old Fashioned Hymn Sing with special music by our Chancel Choir and Adult Ensemble. Our congregation will

have the opportunity to pick and sing many of their favorite hymns from our Cokesbury and United Methodist Hymnals.

Aldersgate 's Got Talent

March 31 | 5:30 p.m.

Youth Talent Show and Dinner by Youth Choir and other special guests. All proceeds from our Banquet will go towards Youth Missions. *Dinner is \$15/adult and \$5/child.*

Volunteer Opportunities

Family Promise

Sun., Jan. 20 - Sat., Jan. 26

Family Promise serves families in need of temporary housing. Families (usually two or three) stay overnight for a week in our church building, then move on to another local church. Volunteers are needed to provide dinner, serve as evening or overnight hosts, and help with set-up or take-down on Sundays. Contact Rev. Richard Williams for more information at richard@aldersgateumc.org.

Meal Providers for the Youth Group

Sunday Evenings | 5 p.m. | CAC

We are in search of Youth parents, people in the church or Sunday School classes to provide meals for Youth gatherings on Sunday evenings. We ask that you prepare food for about 20-25 people. We have the following dates available:

February: 24

March: 3, 17, 24

April: 7, 14

May: 5, 12, 19

If you might be interested in serving please contact Miles Barnhardt at (334)-356-6197 or by email at miles@aldersgateumc.org

Knitting and Crocheting Ministry

Wednesdays | 2 - 3:30 p.m. | Rm. 25

Thank you to everyone who gave to the Knitting and Crochet ministry. We have donated 237 shawls/lap throws for the patients at the cancer center; a baby blanket to babies born into the Aldersgate Church family; and prayer shawls for those in distress. Numerous prayer shawls were taken by our members to the people in Ecuador. We are knitting and crocheting throws a shawls with a goal of 75- for the hurricane victims in Florida. Come join us.

Mid Week Gathering

Wednesday, January 23

Dinner: 5:15 - 6 p.m. | Bible Studies: 6 - 6:45 p.m.

Menu: Baked Chicken, macaroni and cheese, green beans, rolls, honeybun cake

Kids Menu: Chicken Nuggets

Served by: Crosswalk Class

Family- \$25

Adults- \$6

Youth- \$5

Children- \$3

College Students- Free

Food Pantry

Month of January

Donations Needed: Peanut Butter and Jelly!

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Join us for worship this Sun. Jan. 20

8:15 a.m. | Chapel Service with Holy Communion
10:30 a.m. | Contemporary Worship
10:30 a.m. | Traditional Worship Service

Attendance | Sun., Jan. 13, 2019

Morning Worship—273 Sunday School—181

Our gifts to God | Nov. 30, 2018

Budget for 2018	1,274,545
Operating Budget Requirement to Date	1,168,758
Operating Budget Income Received to Date	1,068,143.58
Operating Budget Expenses to Date	1,122,465.03
Total Pledges to Faith Promise	90,335
Total Received through 11/30/2018	41,541
Building Fund Total Received	\$96,595.25/\$110,000

Aldersgate Weekly Calendar of Events Sun., Jan. 20 — Sat., Jan. 26, 2019

SUNDAY, JANUARY 20

Family Promise

8:15 a.m. Chapel Service with Weekly Communion
9:15 a.m. Sunday School for Adults, Youth, Children
10:30 a.m. 3D Kid's Worship (2nd, 3rd, 4th Sundays) | *Chapel*
Contemporary Worship Service | *CAC*
Traditional Worship Service | *Sanctuary*
11:40 a.m. Worship Arts Team | *Rm. 26*
4:00 p.m. Arun Garrepelly | *CAC*
Youth Choir | *Choir Room*
4:30 p.m. Joyful Bells | *Rm. 29*

MONDAY, JANUARY 21

Church Offices Closed - Martin Luther King Jr Day

Family Promise

11:00 a.m. Monday Women's Bible Study | *Rm. 26*
6:45 p.m. BSF | *Chapel, Parlor, All rooms including 111-114, excluding 22, 25*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22

Family Promise

10:00 a.m. Food Pantry Waiting Room | *Rm. 29*
6:00 p.m. Scout Den Meetings | *Rooms 15-29, CAC*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23

Family Promise

9:30 a.m. The Covenant Bible Study | *Rm. 26*
2:00 p.m. Knitting & Crocheting Group | *Rm. 25*
5:15 p.m. Midweek Gathering Dinner | *CAC*
6:00 p.m. Heartworks Lab
Midweek Gathering Studies | *CAC*
Teeny Tykes and Tunes | *Rm. 111 & 112*
Youth Track: RE:FORM | *Youth Area*
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir | *Choir Room*

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24

Family Promise

10:00 a.m. Open Time of Prayer | *Rm. 28*
Food Pantry Waiting Room | *Rm. 29*
6:00 p.m. Moorehouse Alumni | *Rm. 119*

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25

Family Promise

Youth Winter Retreat | Shocco Springs

5:15 a.m. BSF Leaders Meeting | *Rm. 25*
6:00 p.m. Club Scout Pinewood Derby | *CAC*

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26

Family Promise

Youth Winter Retreat | Shocco Springs

8:00 a.m. Club Scout Pinewood Derby | *CAC*