

**St. James United Methodist Church
Mid Week News
September 26, 2018**

Connecting Points

Sunday I talked about using and not losing the opportunities God gives us. One of the things we strive to do at St. James is make the most of our opportunities to lead people into a growing relationship with Jesus. We are called not only to be disciples of Jesus but to help others know him as savior and lord. When we have visitors or guests join us for worship we want to be hospitable and welcoming in all we do so that they will feel at home and choose to come back. We want them not only to return for our worship gatherings but also to take their next step in our disciple making process. As you know, we can't disciple people we don't have or those who visit but do not return. Therefore, we spend a lot of time thinking and praying about how our worship experience can connect people to God and share a life giving and changing message. As we prepare to adjust our Sunday schedule (Early Worship 9, Sunday School 10, Traditional Worship 11), please remember the reasons we are doing this. The new schedule will allow me to be the pastor of all the people at St. James. I will be preaching at both services most Sundays. (Pastor Chris will preach the Sunday night service, but will also, preach occasionally on Sunday morning.) It will also allow our congregation to worship at the time that best suits their needs. The other reason is it will allow people who are looking for a church to have more than one option when worshipping with us. This new schedule is a win for us but I hope the biggest win is reaching and discipling more people for Jesus.

Use It, Don't Lose It!

Pastor Dean

Room in the Inn

We will host our first Room in the Inn on November 11th. We need volunteers. If you would be willing to serve please fill out a card & turn in to the church office. Cards are available in Sunday School Classes, in the FLC, Narthex. We will host Room in the Inn once a month from November thru March.

*Our Sincere Sympathy is
extended to Helen Simmons, Billy, LaDonna,
Sabrina and Family in the death of Bob
Simmons on September 19th*

**Wednesday Fellowship Meals
October 3rd
\$6 Per Person or
\$18 Max Per Family**

Menu:

Ham

Potato Salad

Baked Beans

Salad

Children: Corn Dogs Chips

Name _____

____ Adults

____ Children

Clean-up Crew—JOY Class

Diaper Drive
 Please help us provide
 diapers for the babies at the
 HELP Center. There is a
 table outside the Family
 Life Center.
 Welcome all size diapers!!!

Join Us For
*St. James United Methodist
 Church Week at LifeWay
 October 1st thru 6th*
*Enjoy an Extra 20% off your
 purchase, including sale &
 clearance!*
 Excludes Willow Tree, VBS and textbook
 purchases

*Just mention your church at
 checkout to receive your
 discount.*

*Florence
 LifeWay Christian Store
 396 Cox Creek Pkwy
 Florence, AL 35630
 256-767-7400
 Located near Target*

Stewardship Report	September 16th	September 23rd
Budget	\$6,965.00	\$8,329.30
Missions	\$32.00	\$32.00
Youth		\$45.30
Red Bird Christmas	\$215.00	\$674.20
Children		\$50.00
Eagle Scout Project	\$100.00	
Fellowship Meal	\$998.00	\$390.00
Santa Rosa Day Care		\$55.00
Total	\$8,310.00	\$9,575.80
Sunday School Attendance	120	142
Sunday Worship	215	197

St. James Family
 Just a reminder to **mark** your calendar for
Our Annual St. James Fall Bazaar
 Date: Saturday, November 17, 2018
 Time 7am—1pm Breakfast & Lunch will be served
 We hope we can count on you for your support.
 Working together to **Make a Difference** in so many lives.
 CIRCLE OF HOPE

Prayer Concerns		
Members:	Non Members	Homebound
Rick Ashley	Lois Allen	Bobbie Ashley
Sam Brown	Jackie Berrens	Ann Austin
David Bratcher	Jim Fennell	Allene Belew
Gene Call	Jeff Fuge	Nora Hart
Ben Carpenter	Fred Mitchell	Martha James
Karen Grisham	Barbara Pace	Jean Meyer
Johnny McClanahan	Katelin Murphy	Edith Putt
Edith Putt	Susan Gargis	Mary Reeves
Janice Retherford	Mike Schaaf	Nancy Roberts
Nancy Roberts		Irene Sanders
Irene Sanders		Sarah Triplett
Jean Sharp		Vivian Wilson
Sarah Triplett		