



**Better Together  
Wednesday  
Kick Off!**

**Wednesday, September 4**

**5:30 P.M.**

**Activity Center**



*An event for the whole church family!*

*(No nursery provided)*

Bring a side dish or  
dessert to share.  
BBQ and drinks  
provided.



**Sign up for Fall classes**

**Desserts can be entered into dessert contest.**

**Puzzle Area**

**Service Projects Available:**

- Homebound care packages
- UMCOR hygiene kits
- College student care packages



**Prayer Concerns**

Todd Bowen & Family  
Dax Cordell  
Tommy Glasscock  
Pam Graham  
Garrett Guthrie  
Randall Hayes  
Bert Locke  
James Mayo  
Jim & Nancy Norton  
Scott Phillips  
John & Patsy Schmith  
Keith Shafer  
Bobbi Stewart



**Connect!**

*For those not currently in a  
Sunday School class:*

*Come to a short-term small group for  
further reflection and to connect in  
friendship with others.*

**10 AM Co-ed Connection Group**  
Facilitators: Greg & Jamie Gault and  
Josh & Michelle Elmore.  
Main Building, Rm. #301

**11 AM Co-ed Connection Group**  
Facilitators: Thomas Hughes,  
Rachea & Shawn Simms, and  
Hunter & Morgan Eason.  
Activity Center, Rm. #1

**11 AM Women's Connection  
Group** Facilitators: Amy Cisson &  
Jessica Allen.  
Education Wing, Rm. #201

**11 AM Young Couples Connection  
Group** Facilitators: Ashley & Brad  
Owen; Meghan & Tyler Owens;  
Justin & Tara Helfinstine.  
Activity Center, Upper Room

**THIS WEEK ON THE CALENDAR**

**Join Celebrate Recovery** Mondays at 6:30 PM in the Activity Center for an evening of music and worship followed by small groups. Ashley H. will offer Lesson 24, "Yes." Dinner provided beginning at 5:30 PM. Celebration Place for ages 5-12 at 6:30 PM. Childcare for ages 3-4. Celebrate Recovery is a ministry for people with hurts, habits and hang-ups.

**Labor Day** - The church office will be closed to observe the holiday.

**FUMC Preschool** classes begin on Tuesday, September 3.

**Better Together Wednesday Kick Off**, September 4, 5:30 PM, in the Activity Center. An event for the whole church family! No nursery provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. BBQ and drinks will be provided. Sign up for Fall classes and participate in a service project: homebound care packages, UMCOR hygiene kits, and college student care packages.

**Better Together Wednesday classes** begin September 11:  
**Love and Respect** *An exploration of the love she most desires and the respect he desperately needs, by Dr. Emerson Eggerichs. Married couples of all ages and stages are welcome. No book reading required.*

Facilitators: Meghan and Wes Kelley. Crossroads Café, 6-7 PM.

**Moms' Group** *A time to connect with other moms and share how God is present in the midst of raising little ones.* Facilitators: Mary Beth Wyatt, Lacey Ellison & Britney Ray. Meet in Meghan's Office (behind Sanctuary). Join anytime between 5:45-7.

**Porch Talks** *A casual opportunity to share personal stories and connect with new friends in our church. Each week a different topic and a different facilitator will guide the time of sharing and devotional. No signup necessary; drop by whenever you want.* Facilitators: A new one each week! Fellowship Hall, 6-7 PM.

**Praying the Daniel Prayer** *An exploration of prayer based on "The Daniel Prayer" by Anne Graham Lotz. No book needed.* Facilitator: Charlotte Rowland. Rm. 200, Main Building, 10:30 AM

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**8:30 Traditional worship** in the Sanctuary will begin again next Sunday, September 8.

**Ladies Trip to the Jennie Allen & Christy Nockels concert** will be Saturday, October 12, 6-10 PM. Tickets are \$22.85 and may be purchased online at [www.freedomprojecttour.com](http://www.freedomprojecttour.com). The group will ride together to Montgomery. For more info, contact Alice Graham at (205) 294-1018.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Welcome to our new Director of Traditional Music!** Next Sunday, September 8th, we welcome Mr. Jason Vawter as our new Director of Traditional Music! He and his wife Stephanie (Medley) Vawter are recently married. Join us in welcoming Jason and Stephanie to the FUMC family!

**Announcement of Search**

**Pianists & Organists**  
We seek musicians with skill as piano accompanists and organists for our traditional services of worship. Proficiency in both piano and organ is preferred, but candidates with proficiency in either instrument will also be considered.

**Please direct all inquiries and résumés to:** [wes@clantonfumc.org](mailto:wes@clantonfumc.org) or mail to the following: Wes Kelley, 207 8th Street North, Clanton, AL 35045.

**Budget receipts needed as of August 25, 2019 \$563,608.98**  
**Budget receipts received as of August 25, 2019 \$534,567.35**



September 1, 2019

**Co-Pastors: Rev. Meghan S. Kelley & Rev. Wes Kelley**

River Church 8:30 AM at the John Trobaugh Pavilion, Lake Mitchell

Traditional worship 11 AM in the Sanctuary

Hydrate (contemporary) worship 9:30 AM in the Activity Center

Church Office (205) 755-0490

[www.clantonfumc.org](http://www.clantonfumc.org)

Facebook: Clanton First United Methodist

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

### NURSERY (Age 0 — 2)

9:30 — 12:00 Ages 0 — 1 (Rm. 100, education wing)

Ages 1 — 2 (Rm. 105, education wing)

### PRESCHOOL (Age 3 — 5)

9:30 — 11:00 (Rm. 107, education wing)

11:00 — 12:00 “SPLASH” Children’s Church (Rm. 107, education wing)

### CHILDREN (K — 6th Grade)

9:30 — 10:00 K — 6th in Hydrate worship, gym

10:00 — 10:45 Kindergarten (Rm. 3, Activity Center)

1st — 3rd Girls (Rm. 1, Activity Center)

1st — 3rd Boys (Rm. 2, Activity Center)

4th — 6th Grades (Upper Room)

10:45 — All gather in Upper Room to cross the street together at 10:55.

11:00 — 12:00 Kindergarten will go to “SPLASH” (Rm. 108, education wing)

11:00 — 11:25 1st — 6th Grade to Traditional worship (Sanctuary)

11:30 — 12:00 1st — 6th Grade to Children’s Church (Crossroads Café)

### YOUTH (7th — 12th Grade)

11:00 — 12:00 Jr. High Class & Sr. High Class (Gibson Center)

## COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES



Sending our college students away can be hard, and we want to remind them that their church family is thinking of them.

In late September, we will be sending care packages to our Clanton FUMC students living away from home, and we need your donations!

### Items needed:

Socks, homemade baked goods, candles, school supplies, hand sanitizer, chap-stick, laundry pods, granola bars, command strips and, most importantly, your personal notes!

Items may be dropped off in the designated bins located in the fellowship hall, narthex of the Sanctuary and at river church.

Contact the church office at (205) 755-0490 or Sonja Horn at sonjahorn513@gmail.com for more information.

### ADULTS

9:30 — 10:30 Agape/Carlisle Miller (Rm. 202, education wing)

Aldersgate (Rm. 200, education wing)

11:00 — 12:00 H2O (Rm. 202, education wing)

New Horizons (Rm. 200, education wing)

Journey (Rm. 206, education wing)

reNEW (meets third Sunday of the month, Fellowship Hall)

## 11:00 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

PRELUDE

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME/PARISH CONCERNS Rev. Wes Kelley

GREETING ONE ANOTHER  
*(Trained Pew Buddies may invite a child to sit with them at this time.)*

CALL TO WORSHIP “Let There Be Peace on Earth” #431

INVOCATION

\*HYMN OF PRAISE “And Can It Be that I Should Gain” #363

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #881

\*GLORIA PATRI #70  
*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.*

TITHES & OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY “The Greatest Gift of Love” Chancel Choir

\*DOXOLOGY #95  
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

THE INVITATION, CONFESSION AND PARDON Pg. 12

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

CHILDREN’S MOMENT  
*(Afterward, the children will be dismissed for Children’s Church in Crossroads Café.)*

HYMN OF PREPARATION “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” #526

SCRIPTURE John 15:12-17

SERMON Rev. Meghan Kelley  
“Connect: Does Anyone Care?”

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING Pg. 13  
*All financial gifts left at the altar will go towards supplies for UMCOR hygiene kits*

\*HYMN OF INVITATION “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” #557

BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE TO BENEDICTION “Amen” #898

POSTLUDE \*Please stand as you are able.

Acolytes serving: Marshall Thornhill, Anna Mahan, Dennis Mitchell, and Mary Porter Thornhill

## 9:30 AM ORDER OF WORSHIP



### Welcome & Parish Concerns

Jeff Herron

### Worship

Elevate

*Children are dismissed for Sunday School when the music ends. The Children’s Sunday morning schedule can be found on the left panel of this bulletin.*

*\*\*Please sign your children in at the Welcome Desk before they leave for Sunday School.*

### Scripture

John 15:12-17

### The Message

“Connect: Does Anyone Care?”  
Rev. Meghan Kelley

### Communion

Served by Educators and School Administrators

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### The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

### Giving & Closing Prayer

Rev. Meghan Kelley

September 1, 2019

Please register your attendance in the Hydrate Service:

Name(s):

### I am interested in . . .

- ◇ Sunday School/Small Group
- ◇ Children’s Ministries
- ◇ Youth Ministries
- ◇ Adult Ministries
- ◇ Church Membership

### Guest Information

### OR Change of Information

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child Name, Age, and Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

◇ Please add me to the church email list.

◇ Please add me to the Children’s ministry email list.

Email Address:

Prayer requests to be added to bulletin prayer list and sent out in church email :