



## Grief Share®

SUNDAYS AT 3:30  BEGINS SEPTEMBER 7

### *Grief Group*

***To love deeply means we will grieve deeply.***

No matter what the circumstances, grief is a painful, confusing process. Each journey of grief is different and uniquely yours. Our Congregational Care ministry is excited to offer a safe space for those grieving to share their journey and heal together in a place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief.

Grief Share, a 13-week grief support group, will take place on Sunday afternoons, from 3:30-4:30 in Room 165 (behind the main kitchen). We recommend parking in

the Burdeshaw parking lot. Your hosts will be, myself, Rev. Liz Hinton, Pastor of Congregational Care, and long-time church member, Libby Krietemeyer, who brings her personal experience of walking through grief following the death of her husband.

As we embark on this journey with you, we will use Grief Share curriculum to guide our time together. We will discuss what is typical and what to expect in the days ahead. Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, you'll learn helpful ways of coping, in all its unpredictability. You will also expand your community of support along the way.

Each week will feature insights from counselors, pastors, and healthcare professionals on grief-related topics. Along with honest, relatable stories—such as navigating the “grief fog” like accidentally arriving at work with two different shoes on—as gentle reminders that you are not alone on this journey.

There will be opportunities to share in small group discussions, and you will receive a book to help you navigate your own personally-lived daily experience at home. Some topics we will talk about are managing emotions like loneliness, anxiety, sadness, anger, and regret.

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# This week & more at FUMC Dothan

## CHILDREN

### J.A.M. Time (Jesus and Me Time)

Available during the 8:30 & 8:55 a.m. worship services.

### Sunday School

Children's Bldg., 10-10:45 a.m.

**FB:** FUMC Dothan Children's Ministry

**IG:** fumc\_childrens\_ministry

## YOUTH

### Sunday School

Youth Cafe, Sundays, 10-10:45 a.m.

### Worship & Snack Supper

**Suspended for Labor Day Weekend**

### Wednesday Bible Study

**returns Sept. 10 - 6-7 p.m.**

## JOIN THE FUMC STAFF

For job descriptions, and how to apply for the positions listed below, visit [fumcdothan.org/join-our-team](http://fumcdothan.org/join-our-team).

### Positions:

- PT Associate Worship Arts Director/Organist
- PT Ministry Intern
- PT Nursery Worker
- FT Preschool Director
- FT Children's Ministry Director
- FT Daycare Worker

## TREAT TROLLEY

### Join the FUMC Treat Trolley Team!

Help us bless local teachers with homemade treats and snacks this school year! The Treat Trolley serves approximately 170 educators at three schools, including: Girard Elementary, Dothan 6th Grade Center, and Selma Street Elementary—four times a year. We need bakers and delivery helpers to make this outreach possible.

If you'd like to serve, contact Tracy Pruitt at 334-701-7630 or email her at [keithtracypruitt@gmail.com](mailto:keithtracypruitt@gmail.com).

## JOYS & CONCERNS

### Our sympathy to:

Claire & Billy Smith and family due to the death of her grandmother, Elaine Woodham McClenney, who died Aug. 17.

## JOYS & CONCERNS, CONT'D

Nagel Byrd and family due to the death of her sister, Shirley Kirby Hayes, who died Aug. 17.

Allison & Kirby Hart, Gloria Sorrells and their families due to the death of Allison's mother and Gloria's sister, Camille Cherry Sherrer, who died Aug. 22.

The family and friends of Patricia Sirmon who died Aug. 27.

### Released from hospital:

Taras Hanuszczyk  
Helen Hargrove  
Lamar Loftin  
Pug Grimes  
Carol Ann Jones  
Mick DeJulius

### Congratulations to:

Emily & Trent Johnson on the birth of their son, Clayton Cecil Johnson, born Aug. 19. His grandparents are Cynthia & Ben Craven.

Madison & Littleton Flowers on the birth of their daughter, Charlotte Frances Flowers, born July 31. Her grandparents are Laura & George Flowers.

**Let us know if you, or someone you know, has concerns, joys, hospitalizations, upcoming surgeries, or is expecting a baby. Please call the church office at 334-793-3555, or email [prayer@fumcdothan.org](mailto:prayer@fumcdothan.org).**

## NAME TAG SUNDAY

### Name Tag Sunday - September 7

Our church family is growing—with new members, visitors, and staff! To help us connect, please wear your FUMC name tag to worship.

**Don't have one?** Send an email to [paula@fumcdothan.org](mailto:paula@fumcdothan.org) to order and pick up yours at the welcome table in the back hall, or pick up a paper tag at the entrance that morning.

## 55 FORWARD

### Senior Adult Ministry Lunch Fellowship - Thursday, September 11, 11:30 a.m.

- Join us at Broadway Cafe, located at 429 Broadway Street, in Ashford. To reserve your seat, and if you need a ride, please call the church office at 334-793-3555 by **Sept. 3**.

## CHURCH PARTY MINISTRY

### Church Party Ministry

Church Party is a special needs ministry of FUMC Dothan. Volunteers are needed to drive children to and from church on Tuesdays (no CDL required).

Also, if you would like to help our ministry by providing a meal for 20 people to include pizzas, dessert and fruit, we would appreciate it! Contact Susan Warren at 334-596-1205 or Nina Lisenby at 334-714-7108. To learn more, visit online at: [fumcdothan.org/church-party-ministry](http://fumcdothan.org/church-party-ministry)

## BRAIN SCIENCE LUNCHEON

### The Fourth Annual Brain Science Luncheon

takes place Thursday, Oct. 9, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Renaissance Hotel in Montgomery. Dr. Lisa Genova, Harvard-trained neuroscientist and bestselling author of *Still Alice*, will be their keynote speaker. **Please contact [katie@fumcdothan.org](mailto:katie@fumcdothan.org) before Sept. 23**, if you need more info, or would like to attend.

## RESPIRE CARE

### Volunteer & Caregiver Training

**(Next meeting Sept. 10)**

The training group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in Rm. 158.

### Respite Ministry Caregiver Support Group

**(Next meeting Sept. 18)**

The support group meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month in Rm. 165.

## THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

### First Light Chapel Communion

Jeremiah 2:4-13  
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16  
Luke 14:1, 7-14

### Bridge and Sanctuary Worship

"Back to the Basics:  
Blessed Are Those Who Hunger for Righteousness"  
Ephesians 4:29-32

## HONORARIUM

### Katie Holland

Abby & Jed Downs



# Baptism



Paul Davis Holladay was baptized August 24. His parents are Rosilyn and Bryan Holladay, and his siblings are Sanders and Toddy.



*"Let the little children come to me ..."*

*Matthew 19:14*

## HONORARIUM, CONT'D

### The Children's Ministry

Hazel Patton

### The Youth Ministry

Hazel Patton

### Lynn Nesbitt

Mr. & Mrs. William Fuller

## MEMORIALS

### Bill Adams

Kit Andrews & Ross Baker  
Rosemary & Eddie Andrews  
Susan & Alan Livingston  
Saundra & Gene McGriff

### Jane Adkinson

Hope & Joseph Johnson  
Elizabeth & Steve McCarroll

Hazel Patton

### Chad Baird

Jane Williams  
Kandi Dotson  
James Gueli

### Arne Foss

Janet & Billy Forbes  
Lenore Hilbert  
Ruth Horn  
Sis & Bill Lee

Susan & Alan Livingston  
Saundra & Gene McGriff

Dale Prophet

Carpenter, Wiggins, Jordan, Thomas  
& Scarborough P.C.

Jeanne & Theron Wells

### Susan Hewes

Saundra & Gene McGriff

## MEMORIALS, CONT'D

### Eddy Keel

Sonia & David Crutchfield  
Hope & Joseph Johnson  
Elizabeth & Steve McCarroll  
Saundra & Gene McGriff  
Hazel Patton  
Caroline & Les Pinckard

### Helen Newton

David & Sigrid Gayle

### Bob Theune

Jennifer & Brent Cook  
Sonia & David Crutchfield  
Sue & Mick DeJulius  
Melissa & Web Gholson  
Hope & Joseph Johnson  
Fran & Mike Jones

### Bob Theune, cont'd

Susan & Alan Livingston  
Elizabeth & Steve McCarroll  
Jo Ann McFarland  
Traci & William Newton  
David O'Mary  
Embrace Alabama-United Methodist  
Children's Home  
Jane Williams

### Janet Walker

Sis & Bill Lee  
Nancy & Charlie McDaniel

### Molly White

Caroline & David Alford  
Hope & Joseph Johnson  
Elizabeth & Steve McCarroll



United  
Women  
in Faith

**Sept. 2, 11:45 am - Fellowship Hall**

Executive Meeting: 11 am, Rm 134

Please call 334-793-3555 for lunch reservations.

We will also explore how we cope with life and relationship changes, and what to do when you feel stuck or hopeless.

If you have experienced the death of a family member or friend, you are invited to join us this fall. Your loss may be recent or not so recent; no matter how long it has been you are invited to come take part in our support group. We may cry, but we will find joy in sharing together, and relief as we support each other through the journey and share our own experiences.

*Together in Christ,*  
Pastor Liz

**Pastor  
Liz Hinton**  
*Congregational  
Care Pastor*



**Rise**  
**AGAINST HUNGER**  
Wednesday, September 3  
5-7 p.m. | CLC Gym  
Dinner and nursery provided.  
**SIGN UP NOW TO VOLUNTEER!**

**LUNCH** at *Broadway Cafe*  
*"Where Good Friends Meet to Eat"*  
**Sept. 11**  
**11:30 a.m.**  
Call the church at 334-793-3555  
by Sept. 3 to reserve a seat.

Sept. 7  
**NAME TAG  
SUNDAY**  
**HELLO  
MY NAME IS**

**DONUTS**  
*with David*  
**SEPTEMBER 7  
10 AM | PARLOR**

New members and visitors are welcome!  
If you are new to FUMC Dothan, interested in membership, or if you want to know more about what it means to become a Christian, please join us!

**DISCOVERY**  
*New to our church?*  
**3-WEEK CLASS BEGINS:  
SEPT 14<sup>TH</sup> | 10 AM | PARLOR**

If you are new to FUMC Dothan and aren't sure what your next step should be, we hope you will consider our new, clergy-led, short-term Sunday morning class!

For more information, contact Pastor Liz Hinton at [elizabeth@fumcdathan.org](mailto:elizabeth@fumcdathan.org).

Church at the Crossing  
**COURAGE**  
WOMEN'S CONFERENCE  
**SEPTEMBER  
19<sup>TH</sup> & 20<sup>TH</sup>**  
To register, visit [fumcdathan.org/events](http://fumcdathan.org/events)