

A NEW SEASON TO GROW



GROWING IN FAITH + COMMUNITY FOR EVERY GENERATION

A new school year brings new schedules, new routines, and new opportunities.
This fall, we invite you to make worship, community,
and growing as a disciple of Jesus part of your rhythm.



Third Grade Bibles: 23 of our third graders received their Bibles and connected with prayer partners who will encourage them as they continue to grow in faith.



Marriage Date Night: More than 30 couples gathered Sunday evening for a night dedicated to marriage, connection, and a little fun together.



Youth Kickoff: Our youth started the year with volunteers, leaders, friends, and plenty of fun as they jumped into another year of growing together.



Children & Preschool Kickoff: A new year of growing in faith is underway! Families met Sunday School teachers, explored fall opportunities, and celebrated new experiences for our youngest disciples—including new 3P & 4P worship on Sundays.

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This week & more at FUMC Dothan

PRESCHOOL & CHILDREN

Preschool Worship for 3P& 4P

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

J.A.M. Time Kid's Worship (Jesus and Me Time) K5-5th grade

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

Sunday School

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

Children's Chimes - Wednesday

5:30 p.m., Room 203

Play & Praise - Wednesday

Drop off begins at 5:45 p.m.
Nursery available: 6 wks - 2 years

Children's Choir & Small Groups

Wednesday, 6-7 p.m., sign in:
Children's Building, 2nd floor

YOUTH

Sunday School - 6th-12th graders

Youth Cafe, Sundays, 10-10:45 a.m.
Acolyte & Server training at 10

Confirmation

Sunday, 6-7 p.m. - 6th graders

Youth Worship & Snack Supper

Sunday, 6-7:30 p.m. - 7th-12th graders

Tuesday Youth Prayer Breakfast

7th-12th graders
7 a.m., at Chick-fil-A located at
3418 Ross Clark Circle

Wednesday Bible Study

6th-10th graders meet on campus
6-7 p.m.
11th-12th graders meet off campus
6-7 p.m. and 7-8 p.m.

55 FORWARD



Movie Day - Wednesday,

Aug. 26, 2:30 p.m. -

Room 165 - Come spend the afternoon in fellowship with others as we watch *Remarkably Bright Creatures*. Popcorn and snacks will be served. Feel free to bring a friend. No sign up necessary.

55 FORWARD - cont'd

Game Day - Tuesday, Sept. 1, 1 p.m. - Fellowship Hall

Join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. We will have games available, and you are welcome to bring a favorite game to share with the group. All are welcome to attend.

Lunch Bunch - Thursday, Sept. 10, 11 a.m. - Firestone Pizza (250 S. Oates Street)

Reservations required by Tuesday, Sept. 8.
Info: hchapman@fumcdothan.org or call the church office.

THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

First Light Chapel Communion

Exodus 1:8-2:10
Romans 12:1-8
Matthew 16:13-20

Bridge and Sanctuary Worship

John 1:19-34 -
"Prepare the Way"

JOYS & CONCERNS

In the hospital:

Riley Marie Thomas

If you or someone you know has a prayer need, hospitalization, surgery, or is expecting a baby, please call 334-793-3555 or email prayer@fumcdothan.org.

JOIN OUR TEAM

Available positions:

- PT Preschool Teacher
- FT Daycare Worker
- PT Nursery Worker

More info:

fumcdothan.org/join-our-team

MILITARY COMMITTEE



The FUMC Military Ministry Committee would like to know of any currently deployed service members who would enjoy receiving a care package. Please email ryan@fumcdothan.org with mailing information or any questions.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Served from 4:45 to 6 p.m.

Aug. 26 Menu: Chicken Bryan Texas, chicken tenders, roasted vegetables, cheese tortellini, butter beans, salad bar, dessert

RESPITE CARE

Volunteer & Caregiver Training

(Next meeting Sept. 9)

The training group usually meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in RM. 165.

Caregiver Support Group (Next meeting Sept. 17)

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

HONORARIUM

Allie Freeman

Paul MacGregor

MEMORIALS

Jim Burleson

Martha & Bo Thagard

Virginia Carter

Martha & Bo Thagard

Lou Ann Casper

Lexington Homeowners Association

Martha & Bo Thagard

Susan & Rick Vierkandt

Jane Williams

Robert Flowers

Melanie & Bob Flowers

Susan & Taylor Garrett

Judy Harris

Barbara Jackson

Jeanie Solomon

Martha & Bo Thagard

Juleann Torrence

Mary Margaret & Josh Vick

Jeanne & Theron Wells

Malissa & Ted Williams

United Methodist Children's Home

Dottie Johnson

Dr. & Mrs. William Bugg

Doug Lurie, Sr.

Martha & Bo Thagard

Donald McAllister

Martha & Bo Thagard

Jimmy Simpson

Martha & Bo Thagard

Elaine Sprayberry

Gail & Hulen Barr

Lou Barr

Martha & Bo Thagard

MIDWEEK RECHARGE

BIBLE STUDIES + ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES

Fall Studies are underway!

Supper: 4:45-6 PM | Cheerful Chimers: 5:30 PM | Bible Studies for all ages: 6-7 PM | Chancel Choir Rehearsal: 6-7:30 PM

Adult Studies

6 PM

*Co-ed Bible Study with Pastor David
Began Aug. 19

*Men's Discipleship Group
Begins Sept. 2

*Cojourners Training with Jason Keel
Begins Sept. 9

*The Way of the Chosen (Season 3)
with Mark Saliba and Larry Williams
Begins Sept. 9

*Women's Bible Study
with Jessica Robinson
Begins Sept. 16

Wednesday Night Age Levels

6 PM

Children Nursery • 6 weeks - 2 years

Praise & Play • 3P - 4P

Choir + Bible Studies • K5 - 5th Grade

Youth Confirmation • 6th Grade

On Campus Small Group • 7th - 10th Grade

Off Campus Small Group • 11th - 12th Grade Girls

7 PM

Off Campus Small Group • 11th - 12th Grade Boys

*Nursery and childcare provided. For more upcoming studies visit fumcdothan.org/adult-studies

FUMCDOTHAN.ORG/MIDWEEK-RECHARGE

MISSION IMPACT SUNDAY

30 AUG 2026

10:00 - 11:00 AM
CLC GYM

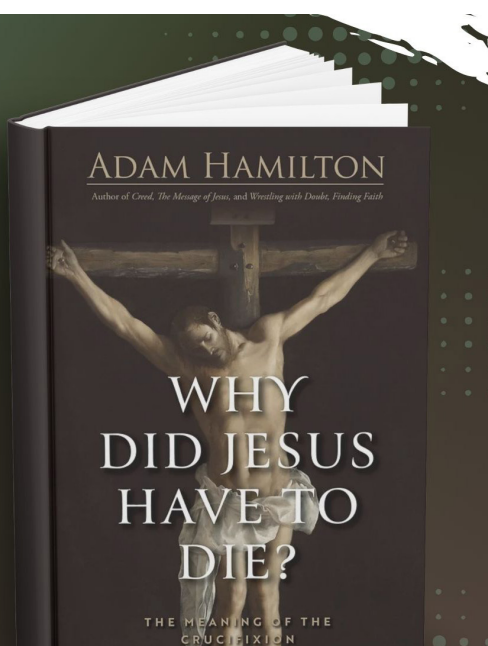
Fall Discipleship • Bible Study

WHY DID JESUS HAVE TO DIE?

with Pastor Lynn Smilie Nesbitt & Jim Ellis

6-week study starts August 26
10:00 AM • Parlor

Books available in main office for \$10
Info: lynn@fumcdothan.org



The Harbor
**Serve
Day**

7:30-9:30 am

Saturday, August 29
320 N. Foster Street

**Volunteer to serve
the needs of others!**



Board of Stewards Meeting
Sunday, August 23, noon
Fellowship Hall



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New Chapters in Education

There is a lot to celebrate across our Early Childhood & Specialized Educational Pathways! The Early Childhood Development Center and Wesleyan Day School began the school year with new names, a new structure, and freshly renovated classrooms.

The Shepherd School is growing, too! After opening last year with 8 students, 18 students began its second school year. That growth also brought a new home on Park Avenue, just steps from our church campus.



Baptism



Townes Gholson was baptized August 16.
He is pictured with his parents,
Andrew & Swayze, and brother, Bo.



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

Matthew 19:14

Welcome
new members to
FUMC Dothan



Will & JoBeth Weatherford joined August 16.
They are pictured with their children,
Will, Selah and Whit.