

# He is Risen EASTER

AT VESTAVIA METHODIST

SUNRISE SERVICE | 6:30 AM | MCGIMSEY GARDEN COLUMBARIUM  
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP | 8:30, 9:45, & 11:00 AM  
CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP | 11:00 AM

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER AND PROGRAMMING

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**APRIL 27**  
Poppyseed chicken or beef tips with noodles, honey carrots and rolls (kids: chicken nuggets)

**MAY 4**  
Bacon cheeseburgers and hot dogs with french fries, baked beans, and salad

**MAY 11 - LAST NIGHT**  
Chicken salad or wild rice soup with salad (kids: pizza)



**SERVE OPPORTUNITY**  
Week 16: Volunteer for a shift at Rise Against Hunger

**GENESIS 9:3**  
Everything that lives and moves about will be food for you. Just as I gave you the green plants, I now give you everything.

The Notes is a weekly publication highlighting the ministries of Vestavia Hills United Methodist Church. If you have information you would like to highlight, please contact Emily Forsythe at [eforsythe@vhumc.org](mailto:eforsythe@vhumc.org). Deadline for information is Monday at noon.



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VESTAVIA HILLS  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

# The Notes

## Sermon on the Mount

Many New Testament scholars agree that if you could sum up the teachings of Jesus with the fewest words, the Sermon on the Mount would be that summary. Starting this Sunday, April 24, and going through the month of May, our preaching series will look at some of the significant passages from Matthew, Chapters 5-7, to distill the essence of the spiritual life God intends for us. Join us in all our services as we deepen our faith together.

## Easter Family Photos

Did you snap a family photo last Sunday while you were wearing your best Easter outfits? We would love for you to text us your photo at (205) 678-1244 or email it to [info@vhumc.org](mailto:info@vhumc.org) and we will upload it to the church database to update our records.

## Rise Against Hunger

It is that time again! Have you registered for a volunteer shift for our RAH meal packing event? We have not hosted our community wide event, where we pack over 300,000 meals, since 2019. It is going to be better than ever this year. If you have never participated or you are a veteran of the event and want to return, then please visit our website or click the link to register. Our meals are going to Honduras! You can make a difference right here in Alabama.....a GLOBAL DIFFERENCE!

## Holy Land Trip Information Meeting

Join us for an informational meeting this Sunday, April 24, at 5:00 pm, in room 316. Dr. Bill Brunson will go on a 10-day Holy Land Journey, starting at \$4,796, departing on August 30, 2022. Visit places such as Jerusalem, Nazareth, Masada, Jordan River, Galilee, and much more! For more information please contact Jim Frazier (769-0126/ [jfrazier@vhumc.org](mailto:jfrazier@vhumc.org)).

## Behind the Scenes Tour

Did you know that Vestavia UMC has a river running through it? Sometimes a lake in it? A studio? An enormous food pantry? Kilns? Three floors of organ pipes and a sealed room for the organ valves? A Scout Room? A tunnel that was used by East Elementary as a fallout shelter? A Prayer chapel that is always open? A six story tower that can be climbed? Rooms filled with massive chillers and boilers?

If you would like to see these oddities and more, join us for two weeks of tours. Most can be accessed with a good pair of walking shoes, but some will require climbing less-than-harmless ladders. Register here for the two sessions, April 27 and May 11, from 6:00 – 7:00 pm as our church staff shows you all the secret places.

## Fidget Mat Sewing & Assembling Bee

We have lots of materials that have been donated! Among the objects, you will find things that evoke a memory, make a sound, hold other things, or can be twisted, pulled, rubbed, traced, squeezed, or turned. It is amazing to see the many ways mats come together! The person assembling the mat may also add ribbon or transparent bags. Some people go with a color theme or a holiday theme. Once the objects have been pinned on the sewing machine angels work their magic! We sew on a label that says, "Made With Love." These one-of-a-kind Fidget Mats soothe and comfort people afflicted with Alzheimer's! No sewing ability is required. Laughter, giggles, and snacks will be available. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday, April 26, from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm.

## New Life Singers Car Wash

The New Life Singers student choir will wash your car on Sunday, May 1, while you sit in worship. Donations

**CARELINE: 205-822-9336**  
**WEEKEND OR AFTER-HOUR HEALTH**  
**EMERGENCIES: 205-914-3121**

*VHUMC will not publish the names and/or concerns of persons known by VHUMC to be minors (18 years of age or younger) without the permission of said minor's legal guardian.*

## Prayer Requests

Cammie Atkins	Brenda Correll
Mike Harper	Jean Morton
Sandra Sims	John Watkins
Ruth Bartow	Jamie DeMarco
Phyllis Haynes	Dan Peace
Stan Sims	Jay Wells
Judy Bates	Larry Edwards
Guy Harrison	Emily Phillips
Peter Smith	Beverly Williams
Lodema Bean	Dennis Flowers
John Hollingsworth	Marion Phillips
Gary Spearman	Dan Wise
Judy Billmeier	Elizabeth Hamby
Mary Anne Hooper	Joan Rasberry
Julia Stowe	Frances Hardwick
Jean Burford	Diane Sausen
Earl Hortberg	
John Taylor	
Patti Braswell	
Evelyn Johnson	
Betty Thompson	
Sunny Campbell	
Sue Malone	
Jim Thompson	
Julie Carroll	
Ed McTyre	
Eleanor Walden	

**GLOBAL PRAYER REQUEST**  
 · All of the Health Industry Workers  
 · All of our First Responders  
 · All who are struggling in these challenging times

We also continue to offer prayers of healing and comfort for all of the families impacted with the coronavirus. *In an effort to keep the prayer request list current, names will be listed for two weeks unless we are otherwise notified. Thank you. Please let us know of your immediate family members serving in the military. Contact VHUMC (769.0109) with prayer request information.*

## Resources

	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>
Donations last week	\$131,154	+\$57,553
<b>July 2021 - Feb 2022</b>		+\$264,553
Donations	\$2,995,775	-\$4,356
Other Income	\$93,856	+\$260,197
Total Income	\$3,089,631	

(+) Better or (-) worse for the church than our target  
 \* Includes COA, Summer Days, VDS, and Vestavia Dance

will be accepted and will help NLS fund their choir tour to Orlando, Florida. Car washing will occur during all Sunday services. Please come out and support our student choir so they in turn can go out and serve others. Thanks!

## Farmers Market

The weekly Farmers Market begins on Wednesday, May 4, and will take place every Wednesday through August 31, from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm. Be sure to stop by Scout Square on Highway 31 in Vestavia and pick up some fresh produce, baked goods, and more. The market is a mission of VHUMC, with funds from the market used to supply our Food Pantry with fresh fruit and vegetables.

## Children's Musical

Do you ever wonder what God looks like? Join the Children's Choir in a humorous, earnest musical exploring what it means to be creative, faithful, and made in the image of God. The musical will take place on Wednesday, May 4, at 6:00 pm, in Tyson Hall and admission is free.

## Lighthouse during Rise Against Hunger

The Fitness Center and Gym will be closed during Rise Against Hunger, Friday, April 22 - Wednesday, April 27. The Walking track will remain open during Rise Against Hunger.

## Boomers & Beyond Events

We have 20 events planned between Easter and Thanksgiving! Here are our April activities. Click the link for a full list.

- April 21 - Boomer Bible Study: The Chosen Season #2 6:00 pm
- April 24 - Holy Land Trip information meeting in room 316 at 5:00 pm
- April 29 - Hoover Library Free Movie - Singing In The Rain. 2:00 pm

For more information about any of these events, please contact Jim Frazier (769-0126/ jfrazier@vhumc.org) or Margaret Flowers (769-0112/ mflowers@vhumc.org).

## Pew Stewards Needed

If you can give one hour once a month we could use your help. We have openings for the week before the second Sunday and also for the week before the fourth Sunday. You choose the time, straighten the pew hymnals, the bibles, add prayer cards, envelopes, and pens. New sheets are added to the attendance pads. Please call Barbara Porter (531-9832) with questions or to join our team. Thank you!

## Unless U Needs Your Help

Unless U is expanding to a second location this summer and needs help preparing their new building. On April 23 at 9:00 am, they are having a service day to prepare for the move. They need help with painting, cleaning, yard work and moving at 2665 Hackberry Road.

## Volunteer Spotlight

This month's theme is about feeding and nourishment, so naturally we are highlighting our own Barbara Porter. Barbara has been

serving as our leader in the Food Pantry for over fourteen years. She began by organizing a room downstairs as a small food pantry for Charlie Gagne, and now she has several rooms that she uses and feeds over 400 families twice a month.

Barbara not only serves in the food pantry, but has also pinned and designed over 1,100 fidget mats. She is also a dedicated volunteer for Oak Mountain Missions Ministry. When Barbara is not at the church (which is most days), she enjoys playing bridge, watching Hallmark movies, playing games on her iPad, and working jigsaw and crossword puzzles. She also loves spending time with her grandchildren who are 16 and 14 years old. Barbara and her husband Bo have been married for 52 years and they have one daughter, Betsy. They are long-time members of the Genesis class. Her favorite foods are popcorn and French fries and her favorite color is pink. Flying is one of her least favorite things to do.

Barbara, if it wasn't for you, there are so many things that would not get done at the church. Thank you for always being there, feeding those in need, and always helping someone asks for something. We appreciate all you do for missions, for the food pantry, for your groups, for others, and for VHUMC.

## Ongoing Outreach

### FOOD PANTRY

Thanks to these four awesome guys who filled their trucks with cans from the VHHS RISE project and brought them to our food pantry. They also unloaded it all without our help!

We served 212 families last Wednesday and gave plastic eggs with Bible verses to the children. Thanks to a great team!

### OAK MOUNTAIN MISSION

Oak Mountain Mission needs children's clothing. It is time for spring clothing instead of coats. Linens are always needed as well. Thank you!

## Congregational Care

### HOSPITALS, REHAB & EXTENDED CARE

Dedo Anthony, Lee McKinnon, and Leigh Smith

### SYMPATHY

To Scottie & Steve Vickery, to Morgan & Will Vickery, and to Katie & Dave McKinney in the death of Scottie's sister, Darby Forrester of Montgomery, AL, on April 10th. To the family of Louella L. (Sue) Stinson of Vestavia Hills in her death on April 17th.

### CONGRATULATIONS

To Leigh Ann & Foster Yeilding in the birth of their grandson, Fletcher Gaines Yeilding, on March 21st. Maddie & Gaines Yeilding of Fort Mill, SC are the proud parents.

To Jean & Benje Burford on the birth of their granddaughter, Abigail Lee Burford, on March 21st. Wendy & Frank Burford of Vestavia Hills are the proud parents.

To Debi & David Strevy in the birth of their granddaughter, Margaret Ray Strevy, on March 22nd. Julie & Christian Strevy are the proud parents.