

SEPTEMBER 18TH | 5:30-7:30
AT TYSON, DICK KELLY PARK AND FELLOWSHIP HALL

HOL(EY) SMOKES
A VESTAVIA METHODIST
MEN'S EVENT

RODNEY SCOTT PIT MASTER | GOLF SIMULATOR
REGISTER AT VHUMC.ORG

1952 2022
THE YEAR TO SERVE
70 YEARS OF SERVING OTHERS AT VHUMC

Boomers & Beyond

From Jesus to Jimmy Buffett

3 Days of Peace, Love and Jesus
September 12-14 | 9am-12pm in Tyson Hall | Register at vhumc.org

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AUGUST
SCHOOL/TEACHERS

SERVE OPPORTUNITY
Week 32: Volunteer to chaperone a field trip at Unless U

PROVERBS 22:6
Start children off on the way they should go and even when they are old they will not turn from it.



TBD Sermon Series

Our August sermon series looks at how people of faith before us dealt with their uncertain future, with an outcome TBD (To Be Determined). Abraham, the early disciples, and the Apostle Paul all had God or circumstances force them into a future "To Be Determined." But each one learned to trust God and grew into persons of faith that they never imagined for themselves. It was scary, unknown, and unsure - but also limitless and filled with adventure and new opportunities. Join us as we learn how to navigate with faith into new places.

An Update from Our Discernment Team

The Discernment Team has been working through the summer and you should have received an email outlining their progress, along with ways every member of the congregation can be involved in the process. Please visit the discernment webpage at vhumc.org/discernment which provides more details.

New Members and Celebrating a Baptism

We are excited to welcome Jill & Jerod Broom as new members, who joined on Sunday, August 7, during the 9:45 service where we also celebrated the baptism of their child, Brooks Michael Broom. The awesome big sister is Julianne Skyler Broom. Please join us in welcoming this great family and celebrating Brooks' baptism.

Promotion Sunday

We invite children and students to join us this Sunday, August 14, as we move up to new classes for the upcoming school year! Sunday School is from 9:45 - 10:45 am. Be on the lookout for an email about your child's new class. We look forward to seeing all of them!

The Bible Joint Sunday School Lesson

Please join Dr. Bill Brunson as he shares with us how the Bible was assembled, discussing the Apocrypha, the Councils, the Canon, and other topics related to the compilation of the Bible. This will take place two consecutive Sundays at 9:45 in the Fellowship Hall on August 14 and 21. We would love for you to attend and help spread the word on this interesting topic. For questions, please contact Suzanne Scott-Trammell (ssstrammell@vhumc.org).

Small Groups this Fall

Small groups begin on August 24 and we would love for you to join us. Small groups provide a place to learn about God, find encouragement, form friendships, and have fun! It's the right time; it's the right place; it's the right habit.

- Matchless: A study about the life and love of Jesus - His nature, His miracles, and His personal relationship with you.
- Experiencing God: A study on knowing and doing the will of God.
- Unshakeable Hope: Understanding the Biblical Promises for every situation you face today.
- Enneagram*: Maybe our differences aren't deficiencies, maybe they are by design. (*Beginning October 12th)
- Prayer Groups: Praying for our school age children.

Please register on our website at vhumc.org/smallgroups.

Crimes Against the Elderly Seminar

VHUMC is hosting a "Crimes Against the Elderly" seminar to provide information on issues affecting senior citizens - particularly financial crimes and elder abuse. Representatives from various agencies

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. Deadline for information is Monday at noon.



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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

Oren Babb	Joan Rasberry
Bill Griffin	Jay Wells
Sandra Sims	Bill Ferguson
Ruth Bartow	Bob Ramsbacher
Elizabeth Hamby	Dan Wise
Mary Beth Smith	Jeri Gray
Hank Battle	Courtenay
Frances Hardwick	Renneker
Sally Stanley	Marvin Young
Lodema Bean	
Mike Harper	
Julia Stowe	
Judy Billmeier	
Ira Harvey	
Betty Thompson	
Julie Carroll	
Mary Anne Hooper	
Jim Thompson	
Brenda Correll	
Sue Malone	
Betsy Walraven	
Jean Cox	
Jean Morton	
John Watkins	
Jamie DeMarco	

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

	Actual	Variance
Donations last week	\$68,464	+\$17,982
July 2021 - June 2022		
Donations	\$4,082,058	+\$182,059
Other Income	\$155,428	+\$8,309
Total Income	\$4,237,486	+\$190,368

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

will be available to discretely discuss sensitive matters and provide direction and assistance for our senior residents and their caregivers. The event will take place Tuesday, August 23, from 1:30 – 4:00 pm in Tyson Hall. Participating agencies include: Vestavia Hills Police Department, FBI, Alabama Department of Senior Services, Jefferson County Senior Services Division, and the Jefferson County District Attorney Office. Registration is not necessary, just show up and spread the word!

2023 VHUMC Alaska Cruise Information Meeting

Join Jim Frazier and Vestavia Hills UMC for a journey to Alaska June 10 - 23, 2023. Board your luxurious Holland America cruise ship for three nights before adventuring through Alaska by land. Visit sites such as Vancouver, Skagway, Fairbanks, and more!

We will have an informational meeting on Sunday, August 28, at 5:00 pm in room 316. This trip is for anyone, members and non-members. If you have questions about the trip or the meeting, please contact Jim Frazier (769-0126/ jfrazier@vhumc.org).

From Jesus to Jimmy Buffett

VHUMC Boomers & Beyond will be offering a very special three day event for those 55 and better. This is a free event on September 12 - 14, from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm, in Tyson Hall. We will provide drinks and snacks but no meals. Everything is handicap accessible. There will be two sessions per day led by Jim Frazier. The theme is from John 10:10 - Living the Abundant Life. The six sessions will be: It's a Wonderful Life, Finding God in Laughter, Finding God in the Movies, Finding God in the Music, Finding God in Nature, and The Great Adventure. For more information please contact Jim Frazier (769-0126/ jfrazier@vhumc.org).

Holy Smokes Save the Date

We had so much fun at our Holy Smokes event last year, we are bringing the "Smokes" back!! Come join us for a night of action packed fun! On Sunday, September 18, from 5:30 – 7:30 pm, we will have whole hogs cooked by Rodney Scott's BBQ, a professional golf simulator, shuffleboard, competitions, and prizes (LOTS of prizes!) We will also have speakers you will not want to miss. Rodney Scott's Pit Master will share expert grilling tips and Stephen Bunn, Chaplain to the PGA, will share his faith journey.

Wednesday Nights Are Back!

Wednesday Night Dinner resumes next week, August 17, at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Breakfast for dinner will be served.

Immediately following dinner, make your way to Tyson Hall for a concert by the SOZO Children's Choir from Uganda. These children have been in the States for several months performing at a variety of churches. The concert starts at 6:00 pm and is free to attend.

After the show, you will have the opportunity to purchase some of their Ugandan goods. If you feel led to make a purchase or give a donation, that will be accepted.

The following Wednesday, August 24, regular midweek programming will resume with Adult Small Groups, Little Lambs, Bible Pathfinders, Children's Choir, and THRIVE.

School Year Hours for the Lighthouse

The Lighthouse will resume its school year hours on Monday, August 22. Monday through Thursday, the Lighthouse will be open from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. Fridays the Lighthouse will be open from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm. The Lighthouse will be closed on Saturday and Sunday.

Kentucky Floods - How You Can Help

After last week's floods in Kentucky, I know many are asking, how can we help? There are two tangible ways that you can help at this time. First, please pray. Pray for those that are still looking for loved ones, pray for towns that were hit by this disaster, and pray for relief efforts. Next, if you feel lead to give financially, please give by either writing a check to our church earmarked Kentucky floods or mail a check to: The Kentucky Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church

Disaster Response Ministry Fund

Attn: Treasurer

7400 Floydsburg Road

Crestwood, KY 40014.

Please note "Disaster Response: Advance 200902" on your check.

Alzheimer's and Dementia Awareness

Many of you know that several years ago my mother, Polly, was diagnosed with Alzheimer's Disease. The disease first changed her approach to living, then took her memories, then her life. She went from living independently, to living with us, to living in a memory care unit, and finally a skilled care unit.

When she was first diagnosed, our daughter, Andrea, started Polly's Pack and began raising money to end Alzheimer's. Each year, we invite you to join our family in raising money to end this awful disease. Almost all of us know someone who has had their life touched by Alzheimer's or Dementia, so please consider donating and help fund the research that will one day bring the cure.

Thank you,

Bill and Michelle

Ongoing Outreach

FOOD PANTRY

Thanks to the Discovery middle school students for packing over 200 bags of food for our families and for doubling plastic bags for us. Currently, we need toilet tissue, which cannot be obtained with Food Stamps. We can always use breakfast foods and spaghetti sauce. Next order from the Food Bank will be on Tuesday, August 23, at 8:30 am if you would like to come help.

OAK MOUNTAIN MISSION

Oak Mountain Mission needs school clothes of all sizes, especially jeans, and tennis shoes for the entire family. Linens and kitchen items are always needed. Just park at the lighthouse portico and put your items in the wooden bin inside the door.

Congregational Care

HOSPITALS, REHAB & EXTENDED CARE
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SYMPATHY

To Cindy Cloyd, Becky & Bill Phillips, and family in the death of Cindy and Bill's mother, Marion Phillips, on July 18th.

To Mary & Hank Patterson in the death of Mary's aunt, Lynn Gourley McGuire of Olathe, KS, on July 20th.

To Ben, Angella, Jed, & Troy Carlisle in the death of Ben's father, Hoyt Carlisle of Alexander City, AL on July 25th.

To Carolyn, Bubba, Frank, & Ceile Jordan in the death of Carolyn's father, John Oliver Ross, Sr. of Guntersville, AL, on July 30th.

To Stephanie, Jason, Sophia & Claire Smith, in the death of Stephanie's grandmother, Emma Josephine Pool of Bossier City, LA, on July 31st.

To Pat Brandstadt in the death of her husband, Fred Brandstadt, on August 9th.

CONGRATULATIONS

To Emily & Vince Perez in the birth of their son, John Hager (Jack) Perez on July 11th.

To Helen & Don Holley in the birth of their granddaughter, Genevieve Ann Holley, on July 20th. Sarah & Steele Holley of Alexandria, VA are the proud parents.