

Gadsden First United Methodist Church



Gadsden's Oldest Church
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The People of Gadsden First United Methodist Church Changing Lives by
Sharing Christ — Making Disciples — Serving People — Giving Hope

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“Miracle on 5th Street” Jan. 10, 2010 Celebration Luncheon Burning of the Mortgage

Schedule of Events:

9:30 AM Sunday School for all classes

10:30 AM Combined service in the sanctuary

11:30 AM Catered lunch in the gym—Purchase your tickets (\$10 adults, \$5 children (12 & under) from volunteers at the worship services or at the church office.

Come Celebrate What God Is Doing Here At GFUMC

Advance purchase tickets only

Adults \$10 Children \$5

No tickets available at the door

Deadline for reservations and tickets is Jan. 4, 2010



*Serving
from the
Heart*

Finding Your Gifts and Talents for Service

Explore YOUR gifts...

Find the passion to serve...

Connect with opportunities

4 week Exploration Groups forming now!
The journey begins the week of Jan. 17th.

NO VESPERS

ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 3, 2010 10:45 AM

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome/Announcements

Opening Prayer

Rev. Tammy Jackson

Prelude

"Morning Has Broken"

Rhonda Robinson

Choral Call to Worship

Ministry Statement

*"The People of Gadsden First United Methodist Church: Changing Lives by
Sharing Christ, Making Disciples, Serving People, Giving Hope"*

***Hymn Of Praise**

"Sing We Now of Christmas"

No.237

Affirmation of Faith

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in
Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified dead,
and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he
shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the
holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the
resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

***The Gloria Patri**

*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.*

Invitation to Holy Communion

The Pastoral Prayer

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.*

The Choral Response

The Offertory

"The Light of The World Is Jesus"

Organist

***The Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures
here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father,
Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

The Anthem "In the Presence of Jehovah" (Emily Smith, soloist) arr. Mauldin

Sermon

"Aha!"

Rev. Tammy H. Jackson

***Hymn of Preparation:**

"We Three Kings"

No. 254

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

No. 9

***Hymn of Dedication:**

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

No. 242

***Benediction**

***Choral Response**

***Postlude**

"Fanfare"

Organist

*You are invited to stand as you are able.

Broadcast over WJBY (AM 1350)

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

January 3, 2010 – January 9, 2010

SUNDAY

9:00 AM–Celebration Worship Service
10:00 AM–Church School Classes for all ages
10:45 AM–Traditional Worship Service
5:00 PM–**No** Vespers, Chapel
5:00 PM–**No** O.A.T.H.

MONDAY

9:00-1:00 PM–**No** Early Learning Center
9:00-10:00 AM–Exercise Group, Gym

TUESDAY

9:00-1:00 PM–**No** Early Learning Center
5:00 PM–Pilates, Gym

WEDNESDAY

9:00-1:00 PM–Early Learning Center
9:00-10:00 AM–Exercise Group, Gym
5:00 PM–Wonderful Wednesdays
7:00 PM–Choir Rehearsal

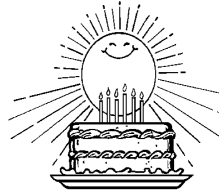
THURSDAY

9:00-1:00 PM–Early Learning Center
5:00 PM–Yoga, Gym
5:30 PM–Thursday Worship, Sanctuary

FRIDAY

Birthdays: Jan 3– Jan. 9, 2010

Jan. 3 Paula Wilson, Scott Adams, Molly Page
Jan. 4 Ron Cannon, Shelly Hester, Franklin Leach
Jan. 5 Christie Knowles, David McCoy
Jan. 6 Nancy Whitt, George Harrison,
Harry Hager, Robert Hager
Jan. 7 Katie Grimes, Ross Hudak
Jan. 9 Anna Mullin, Sue Roberts



The Case for Faith by Lee Strobel Two Part Series–Wed. Jan. 6 & Jan. 13

The Case for Faith is an honest message of hope and spiritual clarity in a world where faith is tested on a daily basis. A Two Part Series with Discussion. Wednesday, Jan. 6 and 13 6-7 PM–In the Gathering Room
Complimentary Popcorn and Cokes



Wonderful Wednesday Fellowship Meals 5 PM January 6.



Menu: Chicken and rice casserole, green beans, bread & dessert

Adult (\$6) __ Youth (\$4) __ (13 & over) Child (\$3) __ (12 & under)

Name _____

(Reservations & cancellations by noon Tuesday)

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Children's Corner

No Children's Church

Children's Table in Celebration: **Sheila Freeman**



Tripp Martin, Hunter Grimes, Carter Rains

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAYS
RESUME WED. JAN 6TH



Wise Men Still Seek Him

WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY FOR CHILDREN



5:45 PM Gathering Time
(3 years through 5th Grade)

6:00 to 7:00PM

Children's Choir and Rotation Workshops
(1st through 5th Grade)

Cherub Bible Buddies and Choir
(3 years through 5th Grade)

STEWARDSHIP

Calling All Trolley Packs—If you have a trolley pack and have not turned it in, please bring it in to the church office as soon as possible.

Greater Things Are Yet To Be Done In This City

2010 W+3 Challenge to Greatness

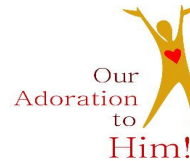
Remember to pick up your personalized box of 2010 offering envelopes from the table located at the Chestnut Street entrance. Please use these envelopes for all contributions. Recent new members may pick up a box in the church office. Also enclosed in the box is the **2010 W+3 Challenge Card** for you to keep a personal record of your commitment made to God.

Budget Offerings Week of	Dec. 27, 2009	Month to Date
Offering Received	\$ 9,150.50	\$68,922.00
Expenses Paid	\$13,501.45	\$65,853.64

Attendance Sunday, Dec. 27, 2009 — Total —285

Trad—166 Celeb—119 Christmas Eve 4 PM—60
Christmas Eve 6 PM—415 Sunday School—122

STUDENT MINISTRIES



WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS

Gym Time 4 PM—Family Meal 5 PM
Jr. Hi and Sr. Hi UMYF 6-7 PM

OATH YOUTH WORSHIP TEAM

Sundays 5:00—6:30 PM
No OATH Jan. 3
OATH will resume Jan. 10

Upcoming Dates

Confirmation Classes begin Jan. 27, 4 PM, Jr. Hi Room
Encounter Feb. 19-21 @ “The Shoals” in Florence, AL
Senior High Retreat-Mar. 12-14 @ Camp Sumatanga

MISSIONS

UMW NEWS

- Jan. 4, 10:30 AM-LuVerna Waid Circle will take down the Chrismons on the Chrismon tree in the sanctuary
- Jan. 11, 9:30 AM-UMW Finance Meeting, Room 106
- Jan. 11, 10:30 AM-UMW Board Meeting, Room 106
- Jan. 11, 12:00 UMW Luncheon-Gathering room
- Jan. 11, 1:15 PM-Circle 3 will meet in the Seekers classroom
- Jan. 12, 9:00 AM-Stevens Circle will meet in the Parlor
- Jan. 18, 10:00 AM-Circle 1 will meet in the Arts & Crafts room
- Jan. 19, 5:30 PM-Wesleyan Circle will meet in the Gathering room
- Jan. 19, 5:30 PM-LuVerna Waid Circle will meet in the Parlor



CLOTHES CLOSET

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Clothes Closet Workday

Jan 5th , 9-12

Clothes Closet Open

Jan 6th, 9-12



Please come and join us as we prepare the closet for our shoppers! If you are able to volunteer for an hour or two during either of these two days it would be greatly appreciated. We are still in need of baby and children clothing, coats and jackets and socks for all ages. We need larger shopping bags with handles.

EVERY MEMBER IN MINISTRY

If you would be interested in attending an “**EVERY MEMBER IN MINISTRY**” seminar led by Rev. John Ed Mathison on Saturday, January 23rd at Guntersville First United Methodist Church, please contact Dotty at the church (543-8200) or at home (442-2739) or email (dotty@fumcgadsden.org). The Focus will be a practical guide to lay member involvement.

MEMORIALS, HONORARIA AND GIFTS

General Budget-In memory of **Jim Keady**, given by **Dr. and Mrs. Cecil Dorsett**. In memory of **LuVerna Waid**, given by **George Adams**.

Howell Erwin Medical-In honor of **Alan and Ginger Ross**, given by **Marjorie Ross**. In honor of **Hazel Oliver**, given by **Vera Jones**. In memory of **LuVerna Waid, Jim Keady**, given by **Sue Roberts**. In memory of **Gilbert Erwin**, given by **Charles Huguley**.

Music Fund-In memory of **Jack Torbert**, given by **Charles Huguley**.

The family of James Marshall Keady (Debbie Hiltz's brother) wishes to express their sincere appreciation for all the prayers, kindness and love shown during his illness and passing. Without your support, this would have been so much more difficult.



SAVE THE DATE

Mark your calendar for **Jan. 10th** and join the **Lunch Bunch** for the **monthly Sunday lunch**.

Congratulations and blessings to Julius and Lois Brasher on their 68th wedding anniversary.

Congratulations and blessings to Jim and Pat Martin on their 50th wedding anniversary.



Ted Levi (son-in-law of Jimmie Taylor)
Katherine Smith-at home
Toni Furse-recovering at home
Jimmy George-recovering at home

Worship Services

Sunday Services — Celebration 9 AM Traditional 10:45 AM
 Vespers 5 PM

Thursday — ThursdayWorship-Sanctuary 5:30 PM

Ministers and Staff

ROGER K. THOMPSON ♦ **J.ELTON BEASLEY** ♦ **TAMMY H. JACKSON**

The staff of Gadsden First connecting people to Christ and one another; equipping people to serve God in the world.

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