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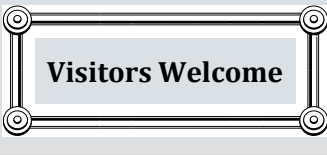
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Times of Worship

Sunday
 10:00 a.m.
 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Bible School
 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study
 5:30 p.m.
 6:30 p.m.



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MORE LOVE TO THEE

All her life Elizabeth Payson was frail and sickly but her spirit was strong and her ability to compose inspirational poems was well known. Her father had been one of New England's best-loved preachers and from him she learned both empathy and eloquence.

In 1845, at age twenty-seven, she married Dr. George L. Prentiss, also a preacher. She was loved by the congregation her husband served as well as the wider population of New York City.

But disaster struck in 1856 during an epidemic. Two of the couple's children died within a few weeks of each other and for months Elizabeth was inconsolable. One night, pondering the words to "Nearer, My God, to Thee," she composed her own poem, writing all four stanzas in one evening. Though it gave her great comfort, she didn't think her poem worthy of publication and didn't show it to anyone for thirteen years. It has since become a classic.

More love to Thee, O Christ, More love to Thee!
Hear Thou the prayer I make on bended knee;
This is my earnest plea: More love, O Christ, to Thee,
More love to Thee, More love to Thee.

R. Medlin

Lessons for Today:

"Seeing Life Through Relationships"
 Philippians 2.3-8
 Robert Moon

Vacation Bible School

Today's Activities:

◆**Vacation Bible School** starts today from 5:00-7:00pm. Theme: "Be My Neighbor"

Love Your Neighbor Verse:

Colossians 3:14

"And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony."

<i>This Week</i>	<i>Records You Help Make</i>
Making announcements: Sunday - 10:00 am: Paul Spurlin Sunday- 5:00 pm: Ryan Gallagher	Sunday Bible Study 436 Sunday Morning Worship 536 Sunday Evening 326 Hispanic Ministry 84 Elizabeth Wright Apts., Sunday a.m. 23
Inner City Ministry: Resumes in Sept. Ladies' Bible Class: Resumes in Sept.	Inner City Resumes in September
5:30 Wed. Bible Study: Summer Series/Barry Buford	Wednesday Evening—6:30 222 Wednesday Evening—5:30 123
6:30 Wed. Bible Study: Quarterly Singing	General Fund Contributions \$20,530.49 Hispanic Min. Contributions \$178.00
Camellia Gardens Apts. Bible Study: Thursdays, 5:30 pm	Weekly Budget \$24,147.00
Men's Bible Class: Fridays, 6:30am,	Weekly Contribution Avg., 2016 \$22,661.99

Worship Leaders

June 26, 2016

10:00 a.m.

Opening Prayer

Alexander Conley

Preside at Table

Everette Johnson

Scripture Reading

Ryan Gallagher

Closing Prayer

Greg Clifton

Serve Communion: Jesse Aldridge, Larry Alford, Lee Alford, Joe Barnett, Larry Bills, Justin Bond, Tommy Burgess, Scott Busby, Jim Forrester, Mitch Grubb, Charlie Hitt, Scott Latham, Sam Lett, Nathan Stephen, Burton Walker

5:00 p.m.

Opening Prayer

Patrick Daly

Scripture Reading

Brad Phillips

Closing Prayer

Todd Brenneman

Serve Evening Communion:

Allen Austin, Scott Busby, Bart Shelton

Others Who Serve :

Chairman and Co-Chairman of the

Elders: Phil Norton and David Short

Nursery

AM: Lindsay Smith and Leslie Powers

PM: VBS Begins Tonight

Greeters

East: Georgia Porter and Nora Agee

West: Patrick and Joy Daly

Ushers

East: Jason Graham

West: Mason Chandler

Doorman

East: Eric Brown

West: Tommy Williams

Youth & College Activities

◆**VBS:** June 26 at 5:00-7:00pm; June 27-29 at 6:30-8:30pm. (Details to the right).

◆**Teen Night Together:** July 6 and 27.

◆**Inspire Youth Conference:** Will be held July 9-14.

◆**Teen Work Day:** July 19.

◆**Summer Sewing School:** Tues, July 19, 6:30pm, Fireplace Room. You must prepay. See Nancy Itson or Missy Jones to sign-up.

◆**AIMCON16:** July 22-24.

◆**Monday In Motion:** July 25.

◆**End of Summer Blast:** July 29.

Those In Need of Our Prayers

Two of our teens were baptized into Christ last week at two different camps. We rejoice with **Brayden Alford** and **Wilson Stephen**.

Wanda Jackson Cooper, the niece of **Doris Pharr** and the cousin of **Debbie Pharr**, suffered a serious stroke on Thursday, June 23, and was airlifted to Emory Hospital in Atlanta. She suffered a follow-up stroke en route and remains in very serious condition. Please remember Wanda, as well as her husband Peter and their family, in your prayers.

We also rejoice with **Alex Ours** as she was baptized into Christ on Sunday evening, June 19.

Darlene Baad, Pierre Caldwell, Blois & Lucy Clifton, Wally & Sharon Colburn, James & Rebecca Deason, Carlton Freeman, Gwendolyn Harris, Lorene Hitt, Dottie Huggins, Dennis Itson, Sara Jones, Sandra Jones, Laura Langford, Betty Metcalf, Charles Mills, June Moss, Robert Sells, Lynne Spencer, Londyn Stringer, Rose Turner, Dan Winstein, Brandi Young.

Announcements

We are pleased to announce that **Brayden Bryant** and **Wilson Stephen** received the Bible Award at Camp Wiregrass. This award is presented at the end of each camp week to campers who demonstrate superior Bible knowledge.

Vacation Bible School begins today and the theme is “**Be My Neighbor**”. Sessions will run from 5:00-7:00pm today; and 6:30-8:30pm Monday through Wednesday. There are classes for cradle roll through 6th grade and youth through adults. Each evening the kids will start in the fellowship hall. The adult class will start in the auditorium after the opening in the fellowship hall. Topics are: the Good Samaritan, Ruth and Naomi, Elijah and the widow of Zarephath, and Mary and Martha. The hot dog supper will be at 5:30 on Wednesday. General questions may be addressed to Todd or Jennifer Brenneman. Food and refreshment questions may be addressed to Tiffany Johnson.

This year the **VBS Service Project** is to collect items for the Welcome Baskets that are delivered to our new members. Please help us to “Love Thy Neighbor” by bringing note cards/notepads, pump hand soap, dish towels, cookie or brownie mixes, tissues, candy, candles, etc. Drop baskets will be located in the two auditorium foyers and in the Fellowship Hall foyer.

The next **UCC Ladies’ Book Club** will meet on Thursday, July 7, 6:30pm. It will be held at the home of Mia Medlin and they will be discussing “I am Malala” by Malala Yousafzai. Please bring your favorite finger foods and let Missy Jones know if you will be attending.

Sr. Servants will have a potluck dinner and guest speaker on Friday, July 8, at 6:30pm, in the Fellowship Hall. Join this great fellowship for the 55-plus members and friends. Please sign-up in the east foyer. Jim Forrester is the new leader for this group.

The date for the next **Area-Wide Congregational Singing** has been changed. It will be held on Friday, **July 15**, at 7:00pm, at the Alexander City Church of Christ.

All new members who have not had their picture taken for the pictorial directories and any current members who would like an updated picture, please see Leon Willis after the morning or evening service. We will be printing the new Pocket Directory in July so please check your information and advise the office of any changes/additions.

