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**Aldersgate
United Methodist Church**

Office Hours:

**Monday-Thursday
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

**Friday:
9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

**Office Phone:
706-733-4416**

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Church Staff

Danny Barton, Senior Pastor ext. 2018
Linda Bradberry, Director of Music Ministries ext. 2014
Shelley Martin, Dir. of Children, Families, and Congregational Care,
Preschool Director ext. 2016
Joy Zimmerman, Interim Director of Youth
Mark Dickens, Organist
Lynda Williamson, Church Administrator ext. 2010
Connie Clark, Nursery Director
James Baughn, Church Host and Caterer ext. 2019
Barry Brown, Facilities Manager ext. 2025
Jill Sessions, Church Communications ext. 2017
Maria Stratakos, Administrative Assistant ext. 2012

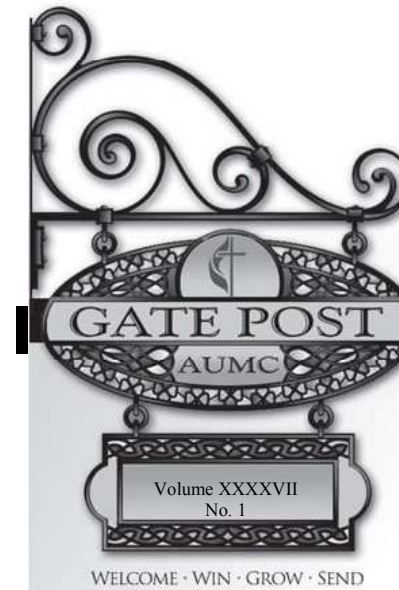
Family Suppers!

No supper January 4.

**Menu for January 11, January
18, January 25
to be announced.**

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January 2017

“The Church with the Warm Heart”

Sunday Worship 8:45 and 11:00 am, Sanctuary
Sunday School 9:45 am

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WELCOME · WIN · GROW · SEND

**Ladies Luncheon
“Sing Praises to the Lord”
February 4, 2017**

Our speaker is Jessica Bolyard, a writer and speaker with a passion for connecting the hearts of women with the heart of God. She is the daughter-in-law of Dave and Ruby Bolyard.

*Ticket sales begin January 8.
Ticket prices are \$16 (13 yrs-adult),
\$8 (5-12 yrs) and 4 yrs and under are free.*

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Prayer Ministry



Prayers for Members

Richard Amundson	Marilyn Hardin	The Mulanax Family	Gerald Thompson
Lisa Bradford	Chris Harper	Vince Murray	Louise Vanscoy
Elaine Caldwell	Graham Held	Bill Phillips	Tina & Ed Wicker, Sr.
Nell Denning	C. Huddleston	Kathleen Reynolds	Ed Wicker, Jr.
Rev. Rudolph Dixon	Becky Jones	Doris Rowland	Ian Williams
Juanita Filuta	Sue Jones	Jim & Julie Showman	Norm Williams
Garrard Family	Eleanor Mosley	Katherine P. Smith	Margaret & Jack Wynn
Wade Hammer	David Moss	Stan Smith	

Prayers for Family of Members & Staff

Please update the church office with any family members that need to be on the prayer list.

Prayers for Friends

Please update the church office with any friends that need to be on the prayer list.

Contact Jill Sessions at jsessions@aldersgateum.com.

Prayers of Sympathy for the families of: Doug Mulanax, Kaye Woolington, Karen Balez (former member), Betty Zimmerman (Steve Zimmerman's mother), Rocky Evans (friend of Hap & Frances Harris), and Carole Barrineau (Anne Matson's aunt).

Prayers of Praise for: the birth of Jesus Christ!

Military Service Prayer List:

David E. Sivas (*Sivas relative*), Francisco (Frankie) Ramirez (*Family attends*), and Chaplin (CPT) Jon McPherson, US Army - *Facing deployment (Showman's relative)*.

Announcements

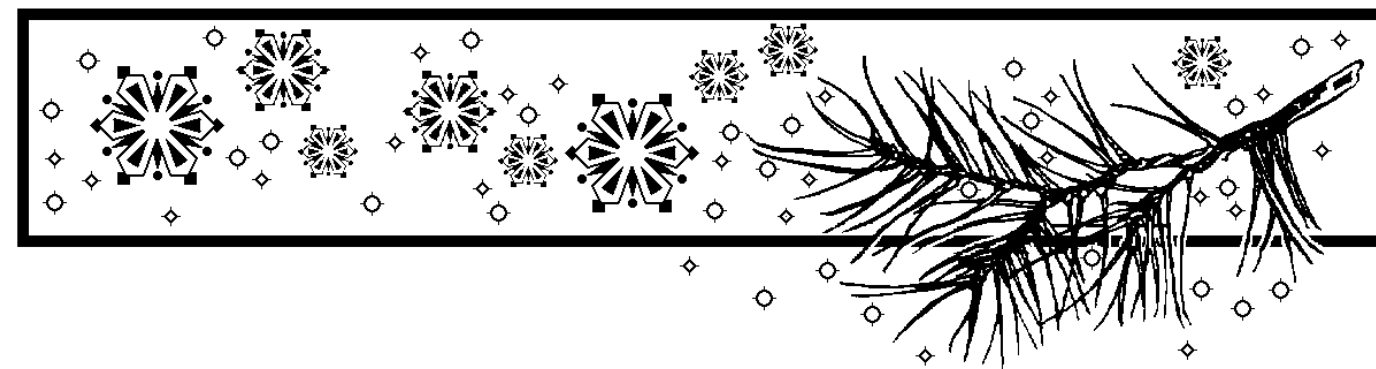
WE NEED YOUR HELP

The windows at Aldersgate are outdated and extremely inefficient at keeping the elements outdoors or heat and air conditioning indoors. This results in additional costs on our energy bills each month. If you would like to donate the money to purchase a new window, the cost is \$415 which includes materials and installation.

Contact Barry Brown at bbrown@aldersgateum.com or call the church office at (706) 733-4416.

Thank you!

The 2017 Flower Calendar is available on the board in the Education Wing. Honor a loved one by putting flowers in the Sanctuary for them during worship.



Memorials & Honorariums

Rosemary Dixon
Chuck & Susan Lanier

Herb Ellis, Sr.
Chuck & Susan Lanier

Grace Hix
(Susan Gober's mother)
Bill & Beth Kuhlke
Gerald & Neina Thompson
Ron & Kate Fisher
Aldersgate Chancel Choir
Al & Gloria Stocks

Sharon Jeffers
(Jerry Jeffers' stepmother)
Lamar & Wendy Crowell
Al & Gloria Stocks
Bob & Paige Barnes

Robert Montgomery
Jim & Julie Showman
Lamar & Wendy Crowell

Doug Mulanax
Doris Charnock
Aldersgate Chancel Choir
Annette Harlan

Sam "Chubby" Engler
Al & Gloria Stocks



ALDRSGATE MISSIONS

Foreign Mission – Dr. Patty Caudell will lead a Team to the Corner of Love, in Nicaragua, from June 25th to July 2nd, 2017. www.corneroflove.org

You do not have to be a “medical” person to participate. \$1531 per person which includes airfare, food, and lodging. Group fundraising TBD.

Deadline for trip commitment and \$500 deposit is February 1, 2017.



Stop Hunger Now – Thank you for your contributions to Stop Hunger Now on November 19. Our meals were received in Zambia by the Salesian Mission (34,000 Catholic priests, brothers, and sisters) who support the over 20,000 children who are the heads of their households as a result of both parents dying of HIV/AIDS.

Eighteen families (59 individuals) received gifts through the Angel Christmas Gift program and your support! Thank you from Susanna Wesley Circle.



As always, we can use more physical help and support for the various opportunities that we have. Contact Jim Showman, or any Member of the Missions Team, to join us. If you would like to get involved in Missions at AUMC, contact Jim Showman at (706) 738-1212.



FAITH COMMANDER
“Living Five Values from the Parables of Jesus”

Begins Wednesday,
January 18, 2017
at 6:30- 7:45pm
in the Media Room
Facilitator—Bill Phillips

Senior Saints 2017 schedule is coming soon.

Please check weekly email or contact Shelley Martin for more info smartin@aldersgateum.com

**Schedules for
Susanna Wesley
Circle and Ruth JOY Circle for 2017
will be available soon!**

Children & Family Ministry

1st and 2nd Grade Sunday School Teacher Needed

We are in need of someone to teach children's Sunday School once a month. Lesson materials and a DVD will be provided. Margaret Harrison is an assistant every week, but we are looking for a lead teacher who is willing to work with this group of first and second graders. Contact Shelley if you are interested in serving.



Children's Ministry Programs begin on Wednesday, January 11. Contact Shelley at smartin@aldergateum.com for more info.

New Procedures for Safe Sanctuaries

Our church is now working with Trak 1 Technologies which is endorsed for Safe Sanctuary training by the North Georgia Conference of the United Methodist Church. Instead of having to come to the church to watch a video, volunteers will now be able to have an email link sent to them which will guide them through a video training. We will now be able to run background checks through this system as well. If you currently serve in a position with children or youth, please contact Shelley to be updated on the training. Thank you!



Youth & Young Adult Ministry

*"You get saved when you believe in God, but you are transformed when you realize that He believes in you."
Author Unknown*

SKI TRIP: Final payment is due on or before Sunday, January 1. The January 1 deadline is final because Joy is leaving!



Youth Group will be led by a series of volunteers in January as Joy receives training for her missionary work.

Youth Group resumes Sunday, January 8. There is no Youth Group January 15 due to the Ski Trip.

Youth Bible Study resumes Wednesday, January 11. No Bible Study on January 4.

