

WISHING YOU A HAPPY

# Father's Day

*The righteous who walks in his integrity—blessed are his children after him!*  
[Proverbs 20:7 ESV]

# Life Lines

Monthly Newsletter of Millbrook First United Methodist Church  
June 2017

## Vacation Bible School



Please make sure to invite as many children as you can to this year's Vacation Bible School to be held June 13th through 16th.

We will decorate the church for VBS on June 11th. Training and prayer will be held on Monday, June 12th. Volunteers need to attend the training session.

## Invitation from Pastor Jerry

Dear Millbrook family,

I invite you to cover these events that are happening in the future with the following prayer:

*Everlasting God, whose will is that all should come to you through your Son Jesus Christ, during this event, inspire our witness to him, so that all would come to know the power of His forgiveness, and the hope of His resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit now and forever*

**Amen.**

**Confirmation Sunday**

**Vacation Bible Sunday**

**Alabama-West Florida Conference**

**Summer Camp**

**Louisiana Mission Trip**

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## Invitation from Pastor

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Emmaus Walks and Gatherings  
Destin Fishing Trip  
Worship Services  
Sunday School  
Bible Studies  
United Methodist Women's Mission U  
New staff members

Also, pray for our Discernment Committee. As many of you know we provide four worship services each Sunday morning. In addition to the worship services, we also offer Sunday school classes, chil-

dren's church and the fellowship gathering. To effectively conduct all these services requires hundreds of dedicated volunteers to sing at two worship services, sing in the praise team, usher, greet, acolytes, play musical instruments, operate computers and sound systems, count the offering, teach adult and children's Sunday school classes, work in the nursery, assist with Holy Communion, and help with children's church. Also, Jared Parker, our lead preacher at our Contemporary Service, will be going to serve as pastor of Trinity United Methodist Church in Semmes, Alabama, in June.

So that we can discern how to produce both excellent traditional and contemporary worship services,

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## Congratulations, Jared!

Please join us on June 18th at 4 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall as we say goodbye to Jared Parker and his family. Jared has been a wonderful Christian mentor for so many young people and we will miss him greatly!



## Meet Martha

You may notice a new face in the halls of the church this month. Martha McBride has been hired as the new financial administrator for the church.

Martha retired from the State Banking Department after more than 27 years of employment. She studied accounting at Troy University.

Martha has two adult children and six grandchildren. She loves photography, singing and spending time with her grandchildren.

"I am humbled to have been entrusted to take care of this congregation's contributions," she said. "I am committed to be a faithful steward of these funds."



Stop by the office soon and meet our newest staff member, Martha McBride!



## Goodbye, Seniors!

Congratulations to our 2017 graduates! Our graduating seniors were honored in May with a celebration in the fellowship hall and a special presentation in the worship services.

Our Seniors can move ahead knowing that Jeremiah 29:11 tells us "for I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

- 6.4 Confirmation Sunday
- 6.8 W.E.L.C.O.M.E. Day
- 6.10 UMM Fishing Trip
- 6.13 Vacation Bible School Begins
- 6.18 Jared's Reception
- 6.21 Wednesday Night Supper  
@ Midtown Pizza
- 6.25 Youth Mission Trip Leaves
- 6.25 Wednesday Night Supper  
@ Joe Mama's

## Mark Your Calendar

## Invitation From the Pastor Continued ...

the Administrative Council voted to form a committee to discern the most effective way to use our time and resources on Sunday morning. Our Discernment Committee met this past month to begin designing a process to assess the resources God has blessed us with. Based upon these assessments, your input, other information gathered and much prayer they will make a recommendation to the Administrative Council about the times for our worship services. Because these decisions will have a big impact on the life of our church, I am asking you to begin praying today about your input and the decisions we will make together.

I know that God has great plans for His church. As we take our next step in faithfulness to the Lord, let us take hold of these words from the Apostle Paul, "Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations." Thank you for your love and support. Judy and I are so glad for the privilege of serving with you for the sake of Christ's kingdom. I look forward to seeing you at church this Pentecost Sunday as God pours out his Spirit on us.

*Pastor Jerry*



## Scenes from Mothers' Day at MFUMC



## June Anniversaries

- 3 Jordan and Ashley Head
- 5 Keith & Margaret McCartney
- 8 Bill & Wendy Weaver
- 11 Tommy & Janet George
- 16 Thurman & Sue Kelley
- 21 Wesley & Jennifer Morris
- 22 Jason & Emilie Johnson
- 27 Allen & Gail Head

## June Birthdays

5	Madison Brass	10	Bryan Goza	20	Adam Gamble	27	Chris Magill
	Courtney Thomas		Jonathan Clark	21	Sydney Wilson		Austin Gaines
6	Joel Derocher	12	Sandie Gaines	22	Craig Fraley	28	Tatum Estes
	Emily Andrews	13	Vilma Lawrence	23	Tracy Janes	29	Lee Thomas
7	Ray Russell		Tricia Estes	25	Brenda Bowie	30	Jerry Boutelier
	Marissa Miller	16	Ann Cruse	25	Chloe Gilmore		
8	Trent Killian	17	Steve Ricks	26	Patricia Granger		
	Hayden Williams		Deborah Simpson		Damon Marvel		
9	Cole Clark	19	Kevin Lawrence		Kay Dansby		
	Gail Head				Gary Cox		

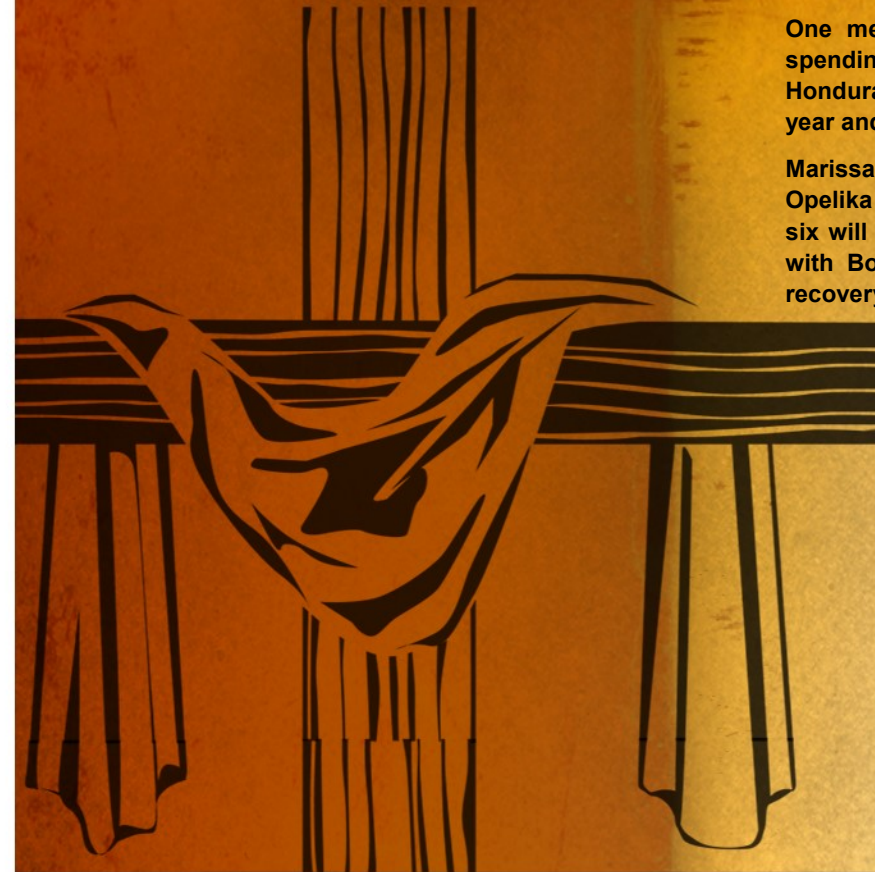
## Missions Emphasis

He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation." Mark 16:15

Summer 2017 could be called the Summer of Missions for Millbrook First United Methodist Church. Our youth ministry is answering the call for help from our brothers and sisters in Louisiana, where devastating floods have impacted many families and their homes. Our youth will be partnering with a local church in the Baton Rouge area to serve the ongoing cleanup and rebuilding efforts in the hardest-hit communities. With the help of many church volunteers, the youth worked hard to cover most of the costs for the trip from the proceeds of the 8th Annual Millbrook Mardi Gras Run earlier this year.

One member of our youth group, Gracie Cobb, will be spending six weeks this summer doing missionary work in Honduras. Volunteers from our church traveled there last year and participated in a variety of mission projects.

Marissa Miller is spending eight weeks this summer in Opelika as part of the Quad W Mission Team. The group of six will conduct programs for smaller churches, and work with Boys & Girls clubs, and the children of women in recovery for substance abuse.



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*is from the west*



# June 2017@ MFUMC

Sunday	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1  6:00 Trustees Meeting	2	3
4  Confirmation Sunday (10:45) Alabama West Fl. Conference	5 9:30 am Monday Morning Prayer Group 10:30 pm Prime Timers 6:00 pm Boy Scouts Alabama West Fl. Conference	6  6:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast (Front Porch Grill) 6:00 Cub Scouts Alabama West Fl. Conference	7  6:30 Praise Team Practice Alabama West Fl. Conference	8  8:00 am to 2:00 pm Volunteer @ WELCOME	9	10  UMM Fishing Trip
11  Decorate for VBS Noon -Henrietta Thomas Circle Meeting	12  9:30 am Monday Morning Prayer Group Decorate for VBS 5:00 Discernment Committee 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	13  6:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast (Front Porch Grill) VBS 6:00 Cub Scouts	14  6:30 Praise Team Practice  VBS	15  VBS 6:30 Communication Action Team Meeting	16  VBS	17
18  4:00 pm Goodbye Celebration for Jared Parker and Family	18  9:30 am Monday Morning 6:00 pm Boy Scouts 6:00 pm Marguerite Hall & Lillian Hancock Circle	20  6:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast (Front Porch Grill) 9:30 am Doris Cobb Circle 1:00 pm Suzanna Wesley 6:00 pm Cub Scouts 6:30 pm SPRC Committee	21  4:30 pm Wednesday Supper@ Mid Town Pizza 6:00 pm Bible Study (Friendship SS Classroom) 6:30 Praise Team Practice	22	23	24
25  Noon Emmaus Luncheon (Mission House) Youth Depart for Mission Trip	26  6:00 pm Friendship Sunday School Supper 6:00 pm Boy Scouts	27  6:00 am Men's Prayer Breakfast (Front Porch Grill) 6:00 pm Cub Scouts 6:30 Finance Committee	28  4:30 pm Wednesday Supper@ Joe Mamas 6:00 pm Bible Study (Friendship SS Classroom) 6:30 Praise Team Practice	29	30	