CONNECTIONS First United Methodist Church of Dothan - July 13, 2023

A new face joins the team at FUMC Dothan!

We have another new face joining our growing and excellent staff team! Anne Claire Langford has accepted the position as our Director of Middle School Student Ministry.

You may have met her already as she is married to one of our new associate pastors, Rev. Matt Langford. We have been prayerfully searching for this position on our program ministry team for some time, and God has certainly delivered the right person to serve Christ through our thriving youth ministry.

Anne Claire has hit the ground running and has spent the week working with Robbie, Sonia, and Pastor Liz on our Youth Mission Trip to Tuskegee, AL.

- Pastor David

A Word from Anne Claire ...

"I have a background in pediatric nursing, and I am a lifelona United Methodist. I have always had a heart for the local church and serving



Anne Claire Langford

others. I think this opportunity will give me a chance to use my unique gifts and graces effectively for ministry.

In addition to my nursing experience, I have served in various ministry roles. I began serving as a volunteer with the youth group at my home

church, Greenville First United Methodist Church, when I was 18. Shortly after that, I moved to Montgomery and had the privilege to volunteer with the student ministry at Montgomery First United Methodist Church. I assisted with regular weekly youth programming as well as chaperoning retreats, leading mission trips, and facilitating small groups.

The time I have served in church has shaped my faith over the years and are my most valued experiences. I am excited and blessed to be given this opportunity to express my love for youth, passion for Christ, and desire to serve the local church."

- Anne Claire Langford



SENIOR STUDENTS SHOW GOD'S LOVE IN ACTIONS AND IN TRUTH

Our senior high students are serving as the hands and feet of God this week as they take part in working with the **ALABAMA RURAL MINISTRY** to complete home repairs and provide a day camp for kids in Tuskegee. We are breaking into teams, tackling construction and providing a safe summer spot for kids to hang out together. The roof of the ARM Headquarters building is being removed and replaced. At one home, we are removing and replacing flooring, installing drywall and tile, as well as inserting a tub and vanity. Day camp is filled with games, Bible stories, music, and crafts along with lots of laughs and hugs. The days are long and hot, but it's a privilege to show others the presence of the Lord, as we strive to be the body of Christ. "Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth." - 1 John 3:18

- Sonia Crutchfield **Tween Ministry Director**

This week at FUMC Dothan

CHILDREN

J.A.M. Time (Jesus and Me Time)

Available during the 8:30 & 8:55 a.m. worship services.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's Bldg., 10-10:45 a.m.

PICNIC & POPSICLES IN THE PARK

Tuesday, July 18, 5-7 p.m. Bring your family and a picnic meal and join us at the Miracle Field Playground. Vendors will be on site with cool treats for purchase.

FB: FUMC Dothan Children's Ministry

IG: fumc_childrens_ministry

TWEENS

SUNDAY SCHOOL Rising 5th & 6th Graders

Tween Rm. 266, Sundays, 10 -10:45 a.m.

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YOUTH

Alabama Rural Mission Trip July 9-14

Please lift up our youth in prayer as they are in the Tuskegee area to assist with light home repairs and outreach to the underprivileged.

BRAVES BASEBALL & WHITEWATER RAFTING TRIP

July 28 & 29. **Sign up by July 20!** Visit fumddothan.org/ministries/youth for more information or to sign up!

IG: Fumcdothanyouth

RESPITE CARE MINISTRY

VOLUNTEER & CAREGIVER TRAINING

(Next meeting July 12)

The training group meets on the 2nd Wednesday of each month in Rm. 158.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP (Next meeting July 20)

The support group meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month in Rm. 158.

JOYS & CONCERNS

IN THE HOSPITAL:

Maryanne Horne - Flowers

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Carolyne & Walton Ashwander who are announcing the birth of a daughter, Millie Carolyne Ashwander, born July 5. Her grandparents are Cara & Mark Dennis.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Henry Wright who celebrated his 93rd birthday on July 3.

Betty Brown who celebrated her 94th birthday on July 4.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Menu for July 19:

Baked chicken/fried chicken/popcorn chicken, mashed potatoes, butter beans, salad bar, peach cobbler, ice cream. For more information or to pay in advance, visit fumcdothan.org.

55 FORWARD

July 20 Blue Plate lunch fellowship -

11:30 a.m., 3850 West Main Street, Suite 300. To reserve your spot, please call the church office at 334-793-3555, by **July 19**.

July 27

Movie Afternoon - 2 p.m., Room

165. Join us for popcorn and the movie, "Cocoon." For more information, contact Ashley Brasington at ashley@fumcdothan.org.

MEMORIAL

Sara Brewer

Julia Lee

Dottie Jones

Peter McInish

Robert Kelley

Joan & Terrell Harris

Rachel Sugg

Davis Malone III

JOIN THE FUMC STAFF

For job descriptions, and how to apply for the positions listed below, please visit our website at fumcdothan.org/join-our-team

POSITIONS:

- PT Music Intern
- PT Nursery Worker
- FT Daycare Worker
 - FT Custodian

CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT

ADVENTURELAND TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 5:30 p.m.

Come on out to our Church Family Night at Adventureland Theme Park located at 3738 West Main Street in Dothan. Meet the church family for lots of fun and games! Cost is \$15 per person for golf, go-kart, boat, and 15 arcade tokens. We hope to see you there!

THIS WEEK IN WORSHIP

FIRST LIGHT CHAPEL COMMUNION

Genesis 25:19-34 Romans 8:1-11 Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

BRIDGE AND SANCTUARY WORSHIP

Become Fishers of People Matthew 4:12-23









THE HARBOR

Ways to serve:

- serving breakfast
- completing intake forms
- praving with participants
- organizing supplies
- street ministry

SATURDAY MORNINGS 7:30a - 9:15a

2023

- April 29
- July 29
- September 30
- December 30

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Contact Ryan Deaton for more information Ryan@fumcdothan.org







