



# The CONNECTION

## Sundays

- 9:00am Sunday School
- 10:00am Worship Service
- \*5:30pm Worship Service
- \*(beginning June 11th)

## Wednesdays

- 6:00pm Bible Study

## OUR VISION

Living up to our heritage of reaching each new generation for Christ.

## OUR MISSION

To Put Jesus F.I.R.S.T. In Our Lives, Our Church, and Our Community.



Reaching Each New Generation

### A Note From Pastor Stephanie



June is a wonderful time of the year. It's the beginning of a new season. Summer will officially arrive, although it seems we have been in a perpetual summer all year. This is the month when we honor our fathers and our flag. Many of us do not have our earthly fathers with us anymore. My dad has joined that great cloud of witnesses talked about in Hebrews 12:1 He lived to be 86 years old and we were very close. I miss him a whole lot.

While our relationship with our fathers are special in this life, our heavenly Father desires that we have a close relationship with Him. In 2nd Corinthians 6:18 God promises "I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters." We are heirs of God. Jesus said HE and the

Father are one and HE desires us to be one with Him. What a wonderful promise. If you did not have a good relationship with your earthly Father remember you have a heavenly Father who loves you. He promises you eternal life. He gave you life and will never leave you or forsake you. He holds you in the palm of His hand. He knows every hair on your head. He knew you even before you were formed in your Mother's womb.

As you reflect on your time with your earthly father, also reflect on your heavenly Father who is with you in the midst of every trial you go through. If your earthly father is no longer with you, appreciate every blessing you experience as you wait to be reunited with Him in heaven.

Enjoy your Summer! Don't forget our shut-ins, those in nursing homes, and those less fortunate than us. Visit when you can, call or send a card, and never stop praying for them. May God continue to bless all of you as you continue to serve Him.

Blessings and love,  
Pastor Stephanie and Jack

# FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

*Strong Community Life Matters to God*

## JUNE 4

SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:00 AM)  
WORSHIP SERVICE (10:00 AM)

(D) John & Glenda Sanders

(B) Dave Oltmans

(G) Dell Oltmans

(U) Bill Hart/Allen Brackin/Jim Kinney/Mike Johnson

K1 KIDZ—Patty Johnson—Need Volunteers

PRE-SCHOOL—Mary Bullard—Need Volunteers

Toddlers

NURSERY:-Kim Clark

COFFEE NOOK NIBBLES:

**NEED VOLUNTEERS**

## JUNE 11

SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:00 AM)  
WORSHIP SERVICE (10:00 AM)

(D) Carol Kinney & Sherry Dean

(B) Carol Kinney & Sherry Dean

(G) Carol Kinney & Sherry Dean

(U) Bill Hart/Allen Brackin/Jim Kinney/Mike Johnson

K1 KIDZ—Patty Johnson—Need Volunteers

PRE-SCHOOL—Mary Bullard—Need Volunteers

Toddlers

NURSERY:-Kim Clark

COFFEE NOOK NIBBLES:

**NEED VOLUNTEERS**

5:30 PM WORSHIP W/GUEST; 6 PM KIDS & YOUTH ACTIVITIES

## JUNE 18

SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:00 AM)  
WORSHIP SERVICE (10:00 AM)

(D) Kathi Dasinger & Mary Walsh

(B) Kathi Dasinger & Mary Walsh

(G) Kathi Dasinger & Mary Walsh

(U) Bill Hart/Allen Brackin/Jim Kinney/Mike Johnson

K1 KIDZ—Patty Johnson—Need Volunteers

PRE-SCHOOL—Mary Bullard—Need Volunteers

Toddlers

NURSERY:-Kim Clark

COFFEE NOOK NIBBLES:

**NEED VOLUNTEERS**

5:30 PM WORSHIP; 6 PM KIDS & YOUTH ACTIVITIES

## JUNE 25

SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:00 AM)  
WORSHIP SERVICE (10:00 AM)

(D) Allen & Mary Beth Brackin

(B) Allen Brackin

(G) Mary Beth Brackin

(U) Bill Hart/Allen Brackin/Jim Kinney/Mike Johnson

K1 KIDZ—Patty Johnson—Need Volunteers

PRE-SCHOOL—Mary Bullard—Need Volunteers

Toddlers

NURSERY:-Kim Clark

COFFEE NOOK NIBBLES:

**NEED VOLUNTEERS**

5:30 PM WORSHIP; 6 PM KIDS & YOUTH ACTIVITIES

**No Wednesday Night Supper during  
June or July.**

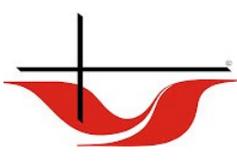
**If you are interested in cooking on  
Wednesdays resuming in August, or you  
are feeling led to do something like this,  
please let Jennifer or Pastor Stephanie  
know. Thank you!**

**\*\*We still need cooks\*\***



# JUNE 2017

Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 9am Sunday School 10am Worship <b>Fellowship Lunch</b> 4pm Staff Meeting 6-8:30pm VBS	 9am Women's Bible Study 6-8:30pm VBS	 6-8:30pm VBS C.W.U. 12pm at the church	 6-8:30pm VBS	1 Love In Action 5pm	2 Office Closed	3 Office Closed
4 9am Sunday School 10am Worship <b>5:30pm Worship w/special guest speaker James Barnes</b>	5 9am Women's Bible Study 6-8:30pm VBS	6 C.W.U. 12pm at the church 6-8:30pm VBS	7 6-8:30pm VBS	8 6-8:30pm VBS	9 Office Closed	10 Office Closed
11 9am Sunday School 10am Worship <b>5:30pm Worship w/special guest speaker James Barnes</b>	12 A.R.M.E.D. at 6:30pm at the church	13 Faith Circle at 9:30am at Carolyn Johnson's	14 Women's Bible Study, Men's Bible Study, Youth & Children Activities 6pm	15 "Thuper Thursday" Movie Day at the church 10am-1pm	16 Office Closed	17 Office Closed
18 9am Sunday School 10am Worship 5:30pm Worship <b>Father's Day</b>	19 Grace/Love Circle at 6pm at Moma Rosa's Finance Meeting	20 R.A.F.T.S. 12pm noon at church Cheerful Hearts 5-6:30pm at church	21 Women's Bible Study, Men's Bible Study, Youth & Children Activities 6pm	22 "Thuper Thursday" Big Kahuna 7am-7pm	23 Office Closed	24 Office Closed
25 9am Sunday School 10am Worship <b>4:30pm Admin Council Meeting</b> 5:30pm Worship	26 Finance Meeting	27 Cheerful Hearts 5-6:30pm at church	28 Women's Bible Study, Men's Bible Study, Youth & Children Activities 6pm	29 "Thuper Thursday" Big Kahuna 7am-7pm	30 Office Closed	



Putting Jesus F.I.R.S.T.  
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 Our Community

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# FELLOWSHIP MINISTRY

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## Christian Women United Circle Ministry Groups

*Donation for Love In Action is  
Paper Towels & Bingo Prizes*

### C.W.U.

*June 6th at 12pm at the church*

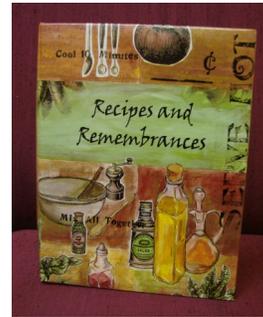
### FAITH CIRCLE

*June 13th at 9:30am*

*At Carolyn Johnson's*

### Grace-Love Circle

*June 19th at 6pm at Mama Rosa's*



## *Greystone's Cookbook*

*Our church cookbook has  
a lot of great recipes!*

***These make great gifts  
for Graduation & Birthdays!***

*Proceeds from the cookbook sales help  
support our church ministries. Cookbooks  
are located in the lobby.*

**Cost: \$10 each**

**R**ecreation  
**A**nd  
**F**un  
**T**ogether  
**S**erving

**June 20th at Noon**  
**Here at the Church.**  
**Bring a dish to share.**

**Come join us for a time of  
Friendship, Laughter and  
Fellowship.**

**Please Remember to bring a  
friend!!**

*Contact Betsy Kingsbury  
for more info  
@ (912) 281-2053*

*Hostesses:  
Emory & Frances Foster*



## **SUNday MORningS**

Sunday School—9:00am  
Worship Service—10:00am

## **SUNday EveNingS**

U.T.H. Join our teens—5:30pm  
Bible Study—6pm

# INSTRUCT MINISTRY

*Spiritual and Relational Health Matter to God*



**Greystone UMC**



**Sign up to be a part of a Galactic Vacation Bible School June 4th-7th**

If you would like to get a VBS T-shirt, please turn in your money and size to Patty Johnson or Jennifer Hamilton in the church office.

**Kids T-shirts \$10 each Adults T-shirts \$10 each (XXL \$13 each)**

## Join us Sundays

9am for Sunday School; 10am for Children's Church  
Bible Drill (1st-5th Grades) —Sunday nights 5:30pm

## Join us Wednesday evenings

Boom Whacker's Ministry 6-7pm

Kidz First (2 yr-Kindergarten) 6-7pm

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## Greystone Thuper Thursdays Children's Ministry Leader: Patty Johnson

### June 15th—Movie Day 10am-1pm

Join us at the church from 10am-1pm for a movie, popcorn, and fun!



### June 22nd—Big Kahuna 7am-7pm

We need at least 15 people to go.

Meet at the church at 7:00 am  
\$50 per person; \$20 nonrefundable deposit

Adults and High Schoolers Welcome!!!

We will leave the church at 7:00 am and return around 7:00 pm. This is an all day excursion. We will eat at the park for lunch. We then will finish up the park and return home.



### July 6th—No Activities

### July 13th—Arts & Crafts 10am-2pm

We will have an Arts & Crafts Day at the church! Bring your creativity and get ready to create something fun!

Bring a sack lunch.

Arts &  
Crafts



### July 27th—End of the Summer Pool Party at Mike and Patty's 10am-2pm

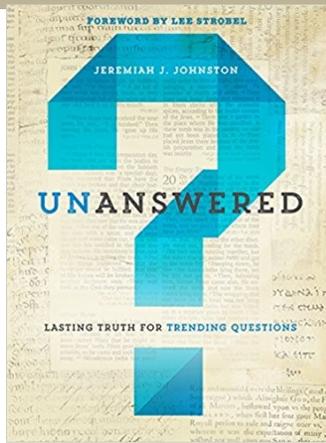
We are ending the summer with a pool party at Mike and Patty Johnson's home. Patty will be providing and cooking lunch for the children.

Bring a towel and sunscreen!



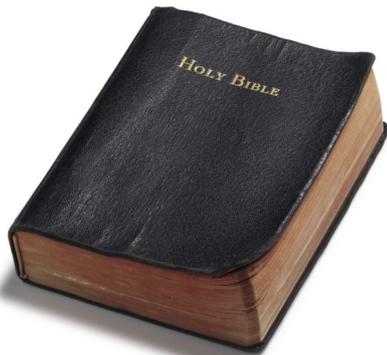
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### Men's Bible Study "Unanswered"

Jeremiah Johnston's "Unanswered" is a 6 week study with Cody Carletti on Wednesdays at 6pm. We live in a radically skeptical age. Tough questions are being asked about Christianity. And most believers are ill-equipped to provide the answers our culture and communities desperately need.



### Bible Study

Pastor Stephanie Cox will be leading a Bible Study for everyone on Wednesday's at 6pm. She will be teaching from the Bible. Bring your Bible with you to learn more.



Ladies'  
*Retreat*  
September 22-24

*You are not going to want to miss this great weekend!!! Cost is \$60.*

**\$30 Deposit due by June 1st. Balance due by August 1st.**

**Cost is non refundable.**

*See Patty Johnson or Pam Pilcher for more information*



# Good Neighbors at Greystone

We are still collecting food for the children at Honeysuckle, throughout the summer. They need breakfast items that are individually wrapped, but they will take all food donations.



## LOCAL FOOD MINISTRY

### **LOVE IN ACTION**

Please remember the food drive: Canned goods and non-perishables will be collected for **Love in Action** the **1st Sunday** of each month. Volunteers serve food on the 1st Thursday of each month. Contact Jan Willis at 796-4022.

Items for **Wiregrass Animal Shelter** will be collected the **1st Sunday** of each month.



# “Let’s Get Social”



Did you know Greystone is getting Social? We are in the mix!  
Find Us, Like Us, Follow Us, and Watch Us!



**Like us on Facebook**

[https://www.facebook.com/  
GreystoneUnitedMethodistChurch/](https://www.facebook.com/GreystoneUnitedMethodistChurch/)



**Follow us on Twitter**

<https://twitter.com/GreystoneUMC>



Follow us on  
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Watch us on



**Watch us on You Tube**

**Channel: Greystone United Methodist  
Church**

# SERVE MINISTRY

*People Want Their Lives to Matter and Make a Difference*

## CHEERFUL HEARTS



June is here and it is time for our Fun in the Sun, Beach-themed event for our Cheerful Hearts.

A hamburger/hotdog cookout is in the works so we will need hamburgers, buns, hot dogs and buns; a lettuce/tomato/ pickles and onion tray; soft drinks- diet but with caffeine, sturdy/beach-themed paper plates, with plastic cups; chips and baked beans with watermelon. What about dessert? Let's have homemade ice cream!! Sounds like fun already. Our four group homes from Spectra Care will be delighted. We will need cooks at the grill and in the kitchen, greeters and servers, game players and "cleaner-uppers". Join in the fun and be a blessing to our special friends sharing God's love any way you can on Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, at 5:00. LaLonnie has already volunteered to decorate the tables! How awesome is that? Hope to see you there.

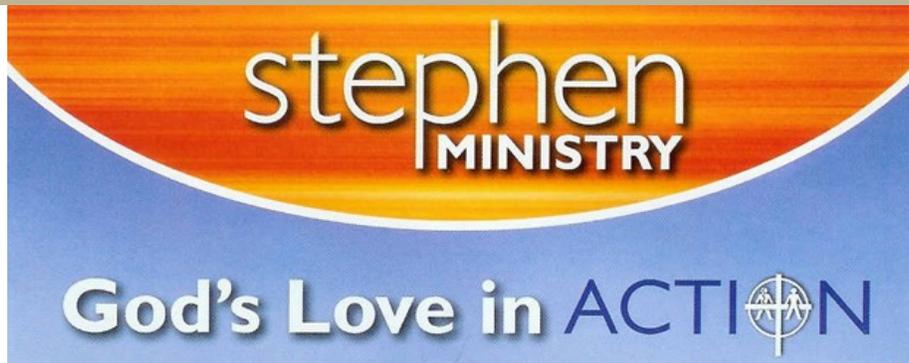
*Watch for the sign up to volunteer/donate cards in the Common Ground area.*

*"Do all the good you can,... at all the times you can,... for as long as you ever can." J. Wesley*



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Stephen Ministry is Christ caring for people through people. If you, or someone you know, are going through a difficult time, consider having a Stephen Minister. Stephen Ministers listen, care, encourage and provide emotional and spiritual support. The care is confidential and helpful. For more information on receiving care contact Rev. Stephanie Cox at 334.794.6725.

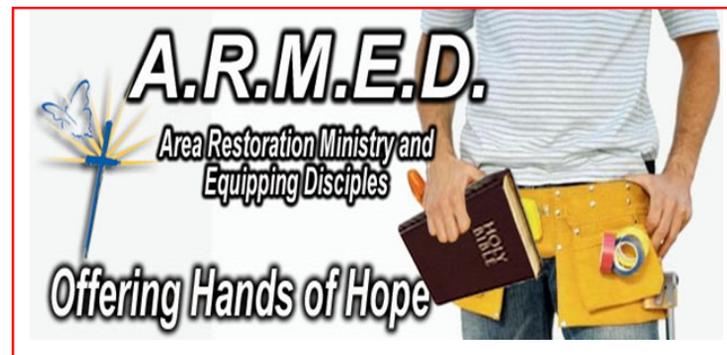


Join us the First Thursday of every month. We share food donated by Greystone members. And share the Love of Christ with them through Prayer.

**Ask Jan Willis for dates and location**

Love In Action International Ministries spreads the Gospel of Jesus Christ through acts of compassion in our hometown of Dothan, Ala., inner cities throughout the US, and other parts of the world. Jesus tells us in Matthew 25:35-40 that we are to take care of the neediest among us. In verse 40 He says, "I assure you: Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of Mine, you did for Me."

They also believe in carrying out the Great Commission Jesus gives all of His followers in Matthew 28:19-20. Therefore, we go to the nations reaching the lost and unreached people with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and make disciples.



**A.R.M.E.D., Men's Club, meets 2nd Mondays at 6:30pm in the church sanctuary for a meal, fellowship, and planning.**

*The United Methodist Church is a connectional denomination. That means all UMC's are connected to one another through annual conferences. Keep up with what's happening and learn more about your Alabama-West Florida Conference from their website:*

**[awfumc.org](http://awfumc.org)**

# THANKS MINISTRY

*God Inhabits the Praises of His People*



**Interested in joining the  
Praise band?**

**For information contact Chris  
Adkins at 334.794.6725**

**June Practice:  
June 14th at 6pm**



**No Choir Practice during the  
month of June.**

**Interested in joining the  
choir in July?**

**For information contact  
Betsy Kingsbury at  
334.794.6725**

## *Parents Night Out*

**No Parent's Night out June or July**

We are needing some volunteers for keeping children for a "Parent's Night Out" on the first Friday of the month beginning back in August from 5-8:30pm. If you are interested in volunteering or leaving your kids with us for a night out, call Jennifer at the church, 794-6725.

# District UMC News



Dear Dothan district family,

Driving into work this morning a church sign caught my eye. It said, “To step toward your destiny you may have to step away from your security.” Now I think I would prefer another word other than destiny but if you think about it, it is a statement of truth. In fulfilling the call God has on our lives often times we have to give up our security. Of course, it is not the same lack of security as the Coptic Christians in Egypt or those in the Middle East. Often times our security is our comfort - physically or mentally or both. It isn't easy of course but to step toward what God is calling us to do, sometimes we have to step away from our security.

I pray that as we look ahead to Annual Conference and the next conference year that we will all have the courage to step away from our security as we seek new ways to reach people and make disciples of Jesus Christ.

The Book of Reports did not get printed in time to have them sent to the District Office so we will have them at the registration table when you get to Annual Conference. I look forward to gathering together as United Methodists in Montgomery and doing the business of the church so that we can continue to share the love of Christ.

See you then!

Love,  
Sara



# Birthdays, Anniversaries And Other Important Stuff

## May 2017

Income: \$16,664.76  
Expense: \$24,325.10

### ATTENDANCE

#### May 7

Sunday School: 34  
Worship: 64

#### May 21

Sunday School: 44  
Worship: 83

#### May 14

Sunday School: 50  
Worship: 96

#### May 28

Sunday School: 53  
Worship: 95

*Do you have something that you would like to go into the monthly Connection? Or a suggestion for the Connection? You can put it in the basket in the Common Ground, or you can email it to me at [office@greystonedothan.org](mailto:office@greystonedothan.org)*

*Newsletter*



### June Birthdays

<u>Dell Oltmans</u>	<u>6/01</u>
<u>Tom Walsh</u>	<u>6/06</u>
<u>Rhonda Rankin</u>	<u>6/11</u>
<u>Addison Godwin</u>	<u>6/12</u>
<u>Meredith Parrish</u>	<u>6/14</u>
<u>Mike Johnson</u>	<u>6/15</u>
<u>Joyce Tyson</u>	<u>6/17</u>
<u>Bill Hart</u>	<u>6/19</u>
<u>Rhiannon Monday</u>	<u>6/23</u>
<u>Mary Beth Brackin</u>	<u>6/28</u>



*Happy Anniversary*

### JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Jonathan & Gayla Miskell	6/01
Lamar & Susan Miller	6/09
John & Glenda Sanders	6/19
David & Deborah Snell	6/19
Jack & Stephanie Cox	6/20
Bob & Jan Willis	6/22
Phil & Evelyn Cox	6/30

*"Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive." Matthew 21:22*

## PRAYER LIST

**Richard White**—Keep in your prayers  
**Pete Knight**—Sugar levels & recovering from fall  
**Shirley Belcher**—Answers for tremors she is having  
**Mary Bullard**—**Ryder Wilhelm 1 year old**, recovery from brain tumor  
**Lawanna Dykes**—A kidney donor-type A or O  
**Mark Freeman**—Prostate cancer  
**Bernie Hartfield**—Parkinson's Disease (Rhonda Rankin's father)  
**Margrette Joiner**—continued recovery at Extendicare  
**Nelda Kelley**—(Robyn Robbins' mother)  
**Chris Carnley**—Unspoken  
**Tom Walsh's Mother**—Recovering from a fall  
**Vernon Sears**—Keep in your prayers  
**Lenora McAllister**—Keep in your prayers  
**Tom Walsh**—Pray for foot to heal completely  
**Frank Sanders**—Cancer  
**Emory & Frances Foster**—Grandson Michael  
**Ms. Daniels**—Debbie White's mother  
**Teddy Sherrill**—Congestive heart failure  
**Vivian Anderson**—Recovering from surgery  
**Pastor Stephanie & her family**—Keep in your prayers

Our Church, Our Community, and Our Country  
***Please update the church office  
on the status of these  
prayer requests.***



## HOMEBOUND

**Janie Arnold** (404 Montezuma Avenue, 36303)  
**Shirley Belcher** (Baptist Village #107, 4426 W. Main Street, 36303)  
**Lois Christensen** (5913 Granger Road, Marianna, FL 32446)  
**Clyde & Billie Cunningham** (102 Pearce Street, 36301)  
**Evelyn McMoy** (1504 Dakota Street, 36303)  
**Richard White** (105 Boardwalk, 36303)

## NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

### Somerset

Myra Shewmake(#102)

### Wesley Place

Lenora McAllister

### Troy Health & Rehab Center

Jerrie Hollis

### Extendicare

Vernon Sears  
Margrette Joiner  
Vi Altman  
Sara Williams

### Westside Terrace

Jeanette McCollum

## ENLISTED.....

**SPC Ben Dasinger** (Hawaii)  
(son of Eddie & Kathi Dasinger)

**SFC Matthew Kingsbury**  
(husband of Betsy Kingsbury)

**SSgt. Michael Monday - USMC**  
(son of Allen & Mary Beth Brackin)

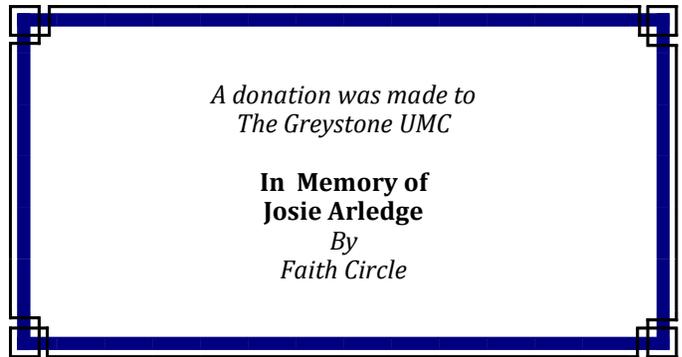
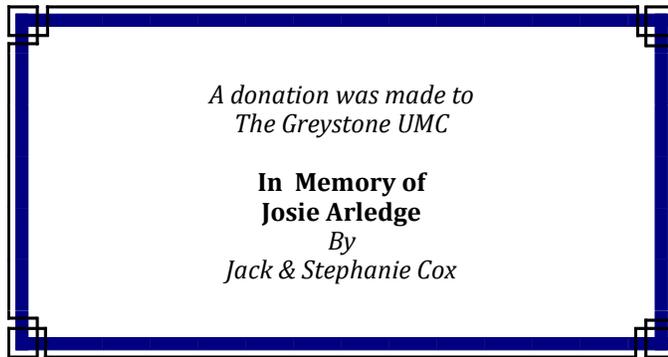
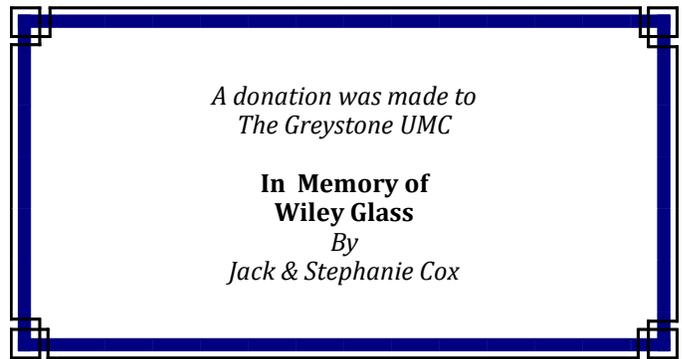
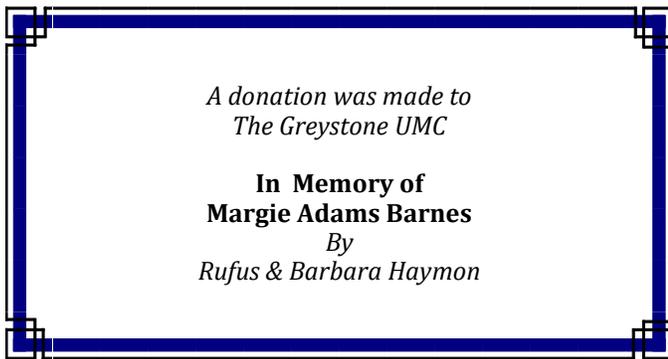
**Sgt. Chris Moore - USMC (Japan)**  
(nephew of Mary Beth Brackin)

**Cpt. Justin Shaw (Tennessee)**  
(grandson of Buford & Polly Fortson)

**Caleb Thomas**  
(son of Troy & Virginia Thomas)

**PFC 1st Class Dakota (Cody) Justice**  
(son of Chris & Connie Justice)

## Memorials



### Church Staff

**Stephanie Cox**

*Senior Pastor*

**Betsy Kingsbury**

*Choir Director*

**Mike Johnson**

*Director of Youth Ministries*

**Kim Clark**

*Nursery*

**Mark Robbins**

*Sound Tech*

**Jennifer Hamilton**

*Church Administration/IT Tech*

**John Sanders**

*Visitation Pastor*

**Chris Adkins**

*Worship Leader*

**Patty Johnson**

*Director of Children's Ministry*

**Mary Bullard**

*Pre-K Teacher*

**Betsy Kingsbury**

*Pianist*

**Vivian Anderson**

*Custodian*

### F.I.R.S.T. Team Leaders

*Fellowship*

**Charm Russler**

*Instruct*

**Jim Kinney**

*Reach*

**Susan Loftin**

*Serve*

**Barbara Haymon**

*Thanksgiving*

**Carolyn Johnson**

### Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday

8:00 am—4:00 pm

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