

CONNECTING

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional (Sanctuary)
Sundays 8:30am and 11:00am

Contemporary (Patricia Tidwell Hall)
Sundays 11:00am

Dinner Church (Good Samaritan)
1st and 3rd Saturdays 5:00pm

DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS

Sunday School- Sundays 9:45am

Small Groups- Begin Again February 11

Young Adults- Sundays 5:00pm

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"IN THE LOOP" TEXT UPDATES

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"MY CHURCH" DFUMC SMARTPHONE APP

Text DVILLE APP to 77977

LOOKING AHEAD

February

- 4 Preschool Fathers' Night
- 6-10 Global Impact Celebration
- 11 Spring Small Groups
- 17-24 Reading The Bible Aloud
- 23 Fresh Expressions Vision Day

March

- 3 Scout Sunday
- 6 Ash Wednesday Waffle
House Dinner and Worship
- 9 Servant Saturday
- 16 Youth to Winter Jam
- 15-17 Stephen Ministry Retreat
- 21 Preschool Music and Art Show
- 22 Chamber Singers Concert
- 25 OAKS
- 29 Confirmation to The Temple

April

- 5-6 Adventurers Rummage Sale
- 14 Combined Palm Sunday
Worship with the Rust
College Choir
- 15-17 Holy Week Concert Series
- 19 Good Friday Worship
- 20 Easter Vigil
- 21 Easter Sunday

GLOBAL IMPACT CELEBRATION FEBRUARY 6-10



It's Time For Our 2019 Global Impact Celebration

By Ami Jarrett, GIC Co-Chair

Last year, we were blessed to host our first Global Impact Celebration. It was a glorious weekend full of fellowship, worship, food and service, all in the name of missions. The purpose of a GIC is to encourage one's growth and engagement in the area of missions. To encourage one to "GO". Whether that takes the form of prayers, service or donations, each is called and equipped by God to take steps forward.

As a result of participating in last year's GIC weekend, my growth included a monetary pledge of an amount God laid on my heart - an amount that showed up in the form of an unexpected tax refund! From attending the home gathering where Jon Sullivan spoke about GRACE ministries in Thailand, I vowed to do whatever it took to be on the first mission trip to Thailand. I was inspired and determined to see first hand how Jon and Angie share God's love and work to prevent human trafficking in the Thai community. Although it took many prayers, favors and schedule changes, I was allotted the time off from work and the funds to travel. I also had wonderful care for my son while I would be gone. It was a Godly adventure to say the least. I now have a greater appreciation for what it means to be a missionary and a Christian in the 10/40 window of the world. All people of this world deserve the chance to hear about Jesus and exactly how He showed his love for us. Our continued support to the GRACE mission will no doubt play an important part in growing the Christian community and saving children from the sex and labor trafficking industry.

This year, we will hold our 2nd Global Impact Celebration from February 6-10th. Our primary focus this year is our local mission partners. Ten different leaders from nearby mission partners will be showcased throughout the weekend, including intimate home gatherings to share in depth information about each one's mission work. We have added a Wednesday night World Market Dinner and program to celebrate our international missionaries who will share the good news of what transpired for them in 2018.

I encourage each of you to step outside of your comfort zone in regards to supporting missions. Start small by attending the various events of the Global Impact Celebration. Learn how you can grow the love of God and the Christian community through prayers, service and financial support for these organizations. Whether locally or globally, I challenge you to GO.

Meet our Keynote Speaker

Rev. Gregg Parris was raised in Boswell, Indiana. He received degrees from Valparaiso University and Asbury Seminary. He has served as Senior Pastor of Union Chapel United Methodist Church in Muncie, Indiana since 1981. The average worship attendance has grown from 80 to 1300 during his tenure. Gregg and his wife, Beth, have been married for 40 years and they have two grown sons, Aaron and Isaac, and four grandchildren. Gregg enjoys spending time with his family, cycling, basketball, water sports, and canoeing. Hear Rev. Parris speak at Friday's Mission Commitment Worship Service (7:00pm) and Sunday's Faith Promise Service (11:00am).



Wednesday, February 6

- 5:30pm: World Market Dinner (PTH) - \$5
- 6:30pm: Worship Experience (PTH) with Journey Worship Band and Chancel Choir
- 7:00pm: Speed Dating International Missionaries

Friday, February 8

- 10:30am: Our international missionaries from Thailand and Russia attend brunch with OAKS, Lively class, and Brotherhood class
- 5:30pm: Family Dinner (Huffine Hall) with all the missionaries gathering, catered by Moe's - \$5
- 7:00pm: Mission Commitment Worship Service (Sanctuary) with Keynote Speaker, Rev. Gregg Parris

Saturday, February 9

- 10:30am: Home Gatherings with local missionaries, including a mission-related service project.

Sunday, February 10

- 9:45am: Church-wide Brunch (PTH) with all missionaries
- 9:45am: Kids & Youth Mission Event
- 11:00am: Church-wide Faith Promise Worship Service (PTH) with Rev. Gregg Parris

small GROUPS ...are a BIG deal

Before Jesus ascended, he said to his disciples “go and make disciples of all nations... teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.” These were the words Jesus left them with— making them very important. Disciples are not created accidentally, discipleship is an intentional pursuit. As you begin the new year and look at your priorities, make an intentional decision to make discipleship one of those priorities. Small Groups are a powerful form of community and discipleship.

Spring Semester groups will be available mornings (Tuesday and Wednesday) and evenings (Sunday–Wednesday) beginning the week of February 11. This time each group will be studying a different topic. You have the opportunity to choose your group based on one of these criteria:

1. Night or day of the week that works best for your schedule
2. Topic/study that the group is doing
3. Leader of the group

Details and registration are available at www.douglasvilleFUMC.org/small. For more information, please contact Robin Payne at RobinP@douglasvilleFUMC.org.

Interested in Disaster Response?

The North Georgia Conference Disaster Response Office is offering a day for badging, training, and networking.

Saturday, February 16 from 8:30am-4:00pm
Salem UMC, 3962 Salem Road, Covington, GA 30016

Choose an all-day class OR the half-day classes:

All-Day Classes (choose one):

Basic Early Response Team ● Chainsaw (ERT badge preferred)

Half-Day Advanced Classes (if already ERT badged)

(Choose up to 2: a morning 9:00am-12:00pm and an afternoon 1:00-4:00pm)

ERT Renewal ● Assessment ● Spiritual & Emotional Care ●

Volunteer Center ● Team Leader Training ● Growing Your Church DR Team

Trailer displays will include shower trailer, tool trailers, communication trailer, etc. Wear your church shirts or caps as we share information and connect for better disaster response ministry.

Cost is \$10 and registration is required so we'll have enough materials and food. Register at www.ngumc.org/disasterresponseministry or contact Mark McIntyre at lservantmark@gmail.com.



Vision Day, February 23

A Fresh Expression is a form of church for our changing culture, established primarily for the benefit of those who are not yet part of any church. Our Dinner Church is one example of a fresh expression of church.

Douglasville First UMC will host a vision day for the North Georgia Conference (UMC) on Saturday, February 23 from 9:30-3:30pm. Whether you're interested in learning more about this movement or you're not quite sure why our church is doing things away from our campus, you should attend this Vision Day.

Our goal is for 100 DFUMC people to attend and discern how God might be calling us to expand our reach in new ways. Early bird pricing is \$25 until February 15. Register today at www.freshexpressionsus.org/event/VisionDayNorthGeorgia.





Lamp Lighting- Reading Through The Bible Aloud, February 17-24

The Bible is made up of 66 books, 1,189 chapters, 31,000 verses, 774,000 words, and 3.5 million letters. It was written over 1,500 years by 40 authors with 20 occupations in three languages and in 10 different countries, and records the story of 2,930 characters in 1,551 places.”

Fathers, father-figures, and male mentors, bring your son (Grades 1-5) and join us for a night of adventure and worship as we dig into God’s Word and learn how to lead our boys to be godly men. This will be a great opportunity to connect with your son and encourage him to be brave! The event is held at Woodstock First Baptist Church from 6:30 to 9:00pm, and it is \$21 per person. For more information and/or to sign up, please send an email to: JessicaS@douglasvilleFUMC.org

It was not uncommon for the Kings or Priests of Ancient Israel to assemble the people and read the Torah to the community to reaffirm or re-establish God’s covenant with them.

2019 Church Lay Leadership Executive Team

Lay Leader.....	Brint Smith
Church Council Chair	Walter Rowe
Finance Chair.....	John Daniell
Staff-Parish Relations Chair.....	Nell Boggs
Trustees Chair	Jason Baker

2019 is a year full of ministry that matters with people that matter- from Worship to Dinner Church to Fresh Expressions to The Big Debt Payoff to General Conference to Small Groups to a growing Youth Ministry and Kids’ Ministry to Music.

Wednesday Night Dinner Schedule, 5:30-6:30pm, \$5

- February 6 - GIC World Market Dinner (PTH)
- February 13 - Fabiano’s (Huffine Hall)
- February 20 - No dinner or activities (Schools’ Winter Break)
- February 27 - Chick-fil-A (Huffine Hall)

What better way to affirm, bless and commission this next year of ministry than to speak God’s word, the Logos, from cover to cover? Let us usher in the new year reaffirming our covenant with the living God.

Altar Flowers

- The flowers are placed on the altar to the Glory and in
- [February 3] Loving memory of Patricia Tidwell by Gene and Margaret Tidwell and all the family.
 - [February 10] Loving memory of our Parents, Irene and Jeff McClung and Eva and Paul Mitchell by Paula and Dennis McClung.
 - [February 17] The flowers are placed on the altar to the Glory of God and His wondrous gifts by Robin Payne.
 - [February 24] Honor of Betty Sprayberry’s 90th Birthday by Nancy and Paul.

Do not miss this historic event as we read the Bible aloud across our church campus over eight days, February 17-24. Sign-up at www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F48AFA728ABFE3-lamp to read for 15 minutes or longer. Families are encouraged to come together. When you are finished, you’ll have a chance to sign the large Bible at the last verse you spoke and sit for a moment and reflect on the joy of speaking God’s word over this place. Reading locations around campus will vary depending on the day.



Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Psalm 119:105





2018 Annual Impact Report


Connect people to Jesus, make disciples, transform the world.

HIGHLIGHTS

- ◆ 155 On-Campus Worship Services
- ◆ Average On-Campus Weekly Sunday Worship Attendance: 317
- ◆ Average Sunday School Attendance: 184
- ◆ Small Group Participants in the Fall: 81
- ◆ 18 Dinner Church Worship Experiences
- ◆ Average Dinner Church Attendance in December: 96
- ◆ 17 New Members (13 Professions of Faith, 4 Transfers)
- ◆ 3 baptisms (1 adult, 2 children)
- ◆ Little Scholars Academy Preschool Average Enrollment: 35
- ◆ Our first Global Impact Celebration in February with over \$75,000 in Faith Promises to increase missions.
- ◆ Started a new mission partnership in the 10/40 window with Jon and Angie Sullivan in Thailand.
- ◆ Our youth building served as a life-saving Douglas County Emergency warming center for 9 nights.
- ◆ Sent mission teams to Costa Rica, Thailand and Trinity Soup Kitchen.
- ◆ Provided 67,680 meals to hungry children in Venezuela through a special offering.
- ◆ 30,100 meals packed for *Rise Against Hunger* in April.
- ◆ Two DFUMC families began fostering children through the United Methodist Children's Home in 2018.
- ◆ Christmas Generosity (blessed over 400 kids through Operation Christmas Douglas County and 62 kids through our Adopt-A-Child for Christmas at Burnett Elementary, nearly \$3,000 raised for the Christmas Missions Offering for Dinner Church and Thailand, county collection center for over 4,000 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes).
- ◆ Eliminated \$180,000 of our church debt in 2018 through "I Love My Church" Capital Campaign giving.
- ◆ \$120,000 given for a new organ console for the Sanctuary (installation expected in late May 2019).
- ◆ Welcomed four new staff members in 2018: Dr. Stephen Redmond, Robin Payne, Paul Mosley, and Amy Thigpen.
- ◆ Bishop Sue Hauptert-Johnson preached in January.
- ◆ Andrew Young spoke in March.
- ◆ 37 people now serving on our Care Team.
- ◆ #lovedouglasville monthly Servant Saturdays and annual Great Day of Service
- ◆ Summer outreaches of VBS, Music Camp, and Preschool Camp
- ◆ Our campus welcomes multiple recovery support groups, Boy & Cub Scouts, and the Chamber Singers.

FEBRUARY REGULAR EVENTS CALENDAR

SUNDAYS

Traditional Worship (Not 2/10),
8:30am, Sanctuary 
Breakfast, 9:00am, AHH
Sunday School, 9:45am, All areas
Kids' Church (Not 1st), 10:50am, A201
Traditional Worship (Not 2/10),
11:00am, Sanctuary
The Journey Worship, 11:00am, BPTH
Scout Committee Meeting (2nd),
2:00pm, CYAC
Young Adults, 5:00pm, B220

MONDAYS

Little Scholars Academy, 9:00am, A101
-A107
Fine Arts Academy, 3:00pm, B132/B136
Boy Scouts, 7:00pm, CYAC

TUESDAYS

Little Scholars Academy, 9:00am, A101
-A107
Fine Arts Academy, 3:00pm, B132/B136
Mission Team Meeting (3rd), 7:00pm,
B120

Cub Scouts, 7:00pm, CYAC/A201/
A204
Scouting BSA Girls, 7:00pm, A206
Emotions Anonymous, 7:00pm, B222
Chamber Singers Rehearsal, 7:00pm,
B132
Survivors of Suicide Support Group
(2nd) 8:00pm, B226

WEDNESDAYS

Little Scholars Academy, 9:00am, A101
-A107
Men's Lunch & Bible Study, 12:00pm,
AHH
Fine Arts Academy, 3:00pm, B132/
B136/G6
Rachel's Blankets (2nd), 4:30pm, B220
Dinner, 5:30pm, AHH
Choir Rehearsal, 6:30pm, B132
Youth Activities, 6:00pm, CYAC/
B224/B226
Kids' Activities, 6:30pm, A201
Scoutmaster Meeting (3rd), 6:30pm,
C103
Disciple, Class, 6:30pm, B122

THURSDAYS

Little Scholars Academy, 9:00am, A101
-A107
Fine Arts Academy, 3:00pm, B132/B136
Boy Scout Committee Meeting (2nd),
6:30pm, CYAC
Stephen Ministry (2nd & 4th),
6:30pm, B220
Stephen Ministry Training, 6:30pm,
B228




SATURDAYS

Dinner Church (1st & 3rd), 5:00pm,
Good Samaritan Center
AHH- Huffine Hall (A-bldg)
BPTH- Patricia Tidwell Hall (B-bldg)
CYAC- Youth Activity Center (C-
bldg)



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS TO YOU

PLEASE NOTE: If your name or a family members name is missing from the birthday calendar, please contact the church office at 770-942-3146.

1 Ken Baker	7 Robin Casey		16 Aiden Boatright	23 Phyllis Spratling
1 Emily Frost	7 Marsi Thrash		16 Samantha DeHart	23 Scott Woodall
1 Howard Lewis	7 McLin Wilson		16 Gregory Hites	24 Peggy Deitz
1 MaryAnne Martin	8 John Ash		16 Peggy Jackson	24 Allison Pike
1 Jason Thornton	8 Wayne Blackerby		16 Diane Mack	24 Beverly Prouty
2 Lisa Blacker	8 Heather Cruse		18 Ryan Allen	24 Joseph Ray
2 Jennifer Camacho	8 Phil Detore		18 Trey Dettmering	25 Douglass English
2 Erin Wynn	8 Hillard Pouncy		18 Amy Duckett	25 Tammy Meador
3 Brandon Burris	9 Marion Davis		18 Katey Jackson	25 Wilson Moore
3 Lynn Dickinson	9 Henry Workman		18 David McLucas	25 Charles Price
3 Syerra Drzewucki	10 Scott Embry		18 Jerry Rice	25 Harold Walbert
3 Margaret Lovegrove	10 Linda Miller		19 Spencer Carroll	26 Isabel Buyers
3 Lynn McLucas	10 Evan Schuster		19 Susan Pece	26 Jennifer Dawson
3 Sandra Minor	11 Warren Dennison		19 Joeann Ray	26 Raelyn Defnall
3 Michael Pace	11 Ethan Goolsby		20 Rachel Ash	26 Parker Shealey
3 Kara Pearson	11 Leann Hopkins		20 Joe Brewer	27 Madeline Blacker
3 Tim Rader	11 Mary Otwell		20 Kathryn Devlin	27 Virginia Clay
4 Michael Camp	12 Nancy Farmer		20 Bobbi Hoydar	27 James Holmes
4 Betty Decker	12 Sherry Verner		20 Charles Mahaffey	27 Serge Hultquist
4 Max Pridgen	13 Mallory Boggs		21 Mark Cobb	27 Kelly Roberts
5 Allison Blackerby	13 Martha Estes		21 Elizabeth Farley	27 Michael Roberts
5 Kathleen Gay	13 Olivia Gabner		21 Jacob Saunders	27 Betty Sprayberry
5 Judith Myers	13 Sarah Ledford		22 Liam Buyers	27 Carson Turner
5 Larry Roebuck	13 Maria Luhr		22 Meredith Denucci	28 Conall Defnall
6 Devon Boatright	14 Spencer DeHart		22 Kase Fears	28 Cameryn Edwards
6 Elisabeth Embry	14 Ginger Eberhart		22 Kelly Johnson	28 Sarah Epps
6 John James	14 James Haddle		22 George Kane	29 J.T. Frazier
6 Elisabeth Langhorst	14 Kathy Henry		22 LeaAnn Moore	
6 Dianne Sims	14 Matthew Stanford		23 Steve Boyles	
6 Bailee Wilson	15 Sarah Boggs		23 Doug English	
7 Christopher Borger	15 Nicholas Robish		23 Matt Hilderbrand	

Douglasville First United Methodist Church

February 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Scouts Lock-in, 6:00pm, CYAC	2 Dinner Church, 5:00pm, Good Samaritan Center
3	4 Worship Committee, 6:00pm, B120 Little Scholars Fathers' Night, 7:00pm, A101-A107	5	6 GIC World Market Dinner, 5:30pm, BPTH GIC Worship, 6:30pm, BPTH GIC Speed Dating Mis- sionaries, 7:00pm, B224/B226/B228	7	8 Lively/Brotherhood/ OAKS Brunch, 10:30am, AHH GIC Family Dinner, 5:30pm, AHH GIC Worship Service, 7:00pm, Sanctuary	9 Reserved, 9:00am, AHH GIC Home Gatherings, 10:30am
10 GIC Brunch with Mis- sionaries, 9-4:5am, BPTH Kids and Youth GIC, 9-4:5am GIC Faith Promise Combined Wor- ship, 11:00am, BPTH	11	12 Staff Meeting, 1:30pm, B220 Mission Team Meeting, 7:00pm, B120 Survivors of Suicide Support Group, 8:00pm, B226	13 Rachel's Blankets, 4:30pm, B220 Dinner, 5:30pm, AHH Host Committee Meeting, 6:30pm, B120	14 Stephen Ministry, 6:30pm, B220	15 Fresh Expressions Setup, BPTH	16 Reserved, 8:30am, AHH Dinner Church, 5:00pm, Good Samaritan Center
17 Youth Game Night, 7:00pm, B Building	18 UMW Esther Circle, 11:00am, AHH	19	20 No Dinner or Kids' & Youth Programs	21	22	23 Fresh Expressions Vision Day, 9:30am, BPTH
24	25	26 Staff Meeting, 1:30pm, B220 Reserved, 5:30pm, AHH	27 Dinner, 5:30pm, AHH	28 Stephen Ministry, 6:30pm, B220		