



July Newsletter
2021

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Hello, Pleasant Hill family. August is shaping up to be an exciting month! We will celebrate Homecoming on Sunday, August 1st; a new school year begins Monday, August 9th; and I will begin a new sermon series entitled *Grace Is...* on Sunday, August 8th. This series will continue through the end of August.

As we turn our attention to “back to school,” I would like for us to also turn our hearts “back to church.” Each Sunday, we gather for worship and look around the worship space and remember individuals and families who were once active at Pleasant Hill. However, somewhere along the way some of these folks may have gotten out of the habit of attending worship; they may have gotten their feelings hurt by someone; they may have felt they “weren’t being fed...” The list goes on, but you get the idea. Throughout the month of August, I would like for us to reach out to all those who once worshiped with us, but who, for whatever reason have not been here in a while. I would like for us to be intentional in inviting everyone to come back to church. During these weeks we will be hearing uplifting messages about God’s grace. These messages celebrate God’s great grace, and they should make everyone feel grateful and welcome--even those who might have been away for a while.

Below are the sermon texts and titles for this series:

Aug. 8th – John 3:16-17; “Grace is a Gift”

Aug. 15th – Ephesians 2:1-5; “Grace is Pardon and Power”

Aug. 22nd – 1 John 4:7-11; “Grace is Love”

Aug. 29th – Acts 2:41-47; “Grace is Community”

One additional thing, the August 29th sermon, “Grace is Community,” will show us how God pours out God’s grace on the world through God’s sacred community, the Church. The entryway into the Church is through baptism. It would be wonderful if we could celebrate baptisms in each of our Sunday morning services on that day. So, if you or someone you know is considering baptism, let’s sit down and have a conversation! I would love to see the sacramental waters of baptism flowing freely on Sunday, August 29th.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Andy

WELCOME

We would like to welcome our new members who joined Pleasant Hill UMC, June 27th in the Traditional service; Daryl & Lesley Burnette (Relative of Jewel Sharp)



HILLWORKS AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Coming Soon...

Homecoming is August 1, 2021 with a combined service in the FLC @ 10:00 a.m., with guest speaker; Pastor Chris Montgomery. A potluck meal will follow. The children's church will be during homecoming service for ages 4 to 12 with Jennifer McFall; Children's dept. director.



Ladies Day Conference

August 21, 2021 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Family Life Center at Pleasant Hill UMC.

To register please contact: Deedee Flippo, Gail Davis or Janie Jones. They will need a count by the end of July so they will be able to provide enough food.

POOL PARTY FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

July 18th, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Royal Ave. pool. Address: 421 Royal Ave. Florence, Al. 35630. Good night of fun, fellowship for all. Food and drinks will be provided.

YOUTH

July 25th-27th @ Double Head Resort. Please use envelopes to help with fundraiser for youth camp as you are able.

SENIOR SAINTS

They plan on meeting the first Tuesday of each month. Their next meeting is August 3rd @ 11:30 in the FLC.

HILLWORKS after-school program located at Pleasant Hill church. Our after-school program is designed to keep kids safe, inspire learning and give working parents peace of mind.

The purpose of the HILLWORKS after-school program is to serve the community's parents by providing a safe, comfortable, and nurturing environment for elementary students. This innovative after-school program allows kindergarten and school-age children to balance learning and fun through a variety of experiences. The community's children need to be engaged in a comfortable yet stimulating child-care environment. From homework help to fun physical activities, our early education program is designed so that everyone goes home happy. Hillworks after-school program is offered during the school year, Monday through Friday from 3 P.M. to 6 P.M. It is offered to children grades K-6th.

The enrollment fee for HILLWORKS after-school program is \$50 per child and \$40 for each additional child per family due at registration. HILLWORKS After-School Fees will be \$50 per week per full-time student, and \$30 per part-time student. Drop-in services are available for enrolled students, and fees are \$20 per day. Led by: Jennifer McFall