

Avalon United Methodist Church
3018 Gillionville Rd.
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Pastor—Rev. Debbie Cone
Music Director—Andrew Bode
Song Leader—Leah Anglin
Youth Director —

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Regular Sunday Schedule:

9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Avalon United Methodist Church

Loving God, Loving People
On Our Christian Journey

Pastor Debbie Cone

October 1, 2021



Our children are the leaders of tomorrow and therefore it is important to make sure they know the love of Jesus. If you love children and would like to be a part of shaping their lives we could sure use your help in the Nursery at Avalon. **Please call the church office if you would like to volunteer to help!**

HOMECOMING

What comes to your mind when you hear 'Homecoming'? The first thing I think of is when we go home to be with the Lord. The Lord has promised to return for His bride, the church.

In Matthew 16:18 Jesus said, "I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not over power it." He was referring to the entire body of Christ, which is composed of all believers worldwide from every generation. The church began on the day of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit came and filled Jesus' followers, and it will continue until the rapture of the church, when believers in Christ will be caught up to meet Him in the great Homecoming.

Until then, our job as Christ's body is to follow our Head (Jesus). We're not the ones in charge; HE is. The Lord builds His church, but He uses us to make disciples, baptizing and teaching them to obey all His commands. (Matt. 28:19-20)

As we come together again this year on October 31st at 9:30am for Sunday School and 10:30am for Homecoming at Avalon let us be reminded of the great Homecoming we will experience one day. Let us focus on Him and all the many ways He shows His love and Grace to us and celebrate HIM as we also enjoy going back to the place where we were and where we even now are being taught to teach all about His saving Grace.

Blessings on you all,
Pastor Debbie

THOSE WHO SERVE

Offering Stewards:
October 3 — Dee Barronton / James Ivey
October 10 — Ben Glass / Ellen Branch
October 17 — Lynne Haggerty / Vicki Cirone
October 24 — Jim Glass / Ann Owen
October 31 — Jenny Wilford / Cherry Garrett

Ushers :
Lloyd Mears Ron Wolfe
Denis Plette Bill Beard

Nursery Volunteers:
October 3 — Ann Owen October 10 — Nancy Newman
October 17 — Kim Glass October 24 — Dollie Dollar
October 31 — Terri Stumpe

Prayer Room:
October 3 — Homer Milliner October 10 — Mary Herman
October 17 — Barry Justice October 24 — Mona Faye Williams
October 31 — Ida Fowler

Sound Technician: Randy Warren (10:30 AM)
Volunteers Needed!!

Trustee for the Month of October: Vicki Cirone

If Trustee is unable to be at an event your assigned month it is your responsibility to get someone to fill in for you. Buildings need to be locked after all events.

Wednesday Family Night Fellowship (FNF)

Please make your reservations by Tuesday @ noon if you are not already on the Permanent List!

October 6 — BBQ Pork, Baked Beans, Potato Salad & Dessert
October 13 — Fried Chicken, Rice & Gravy, Broccoli Casserole & Dessert
October 20 — Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans & Dessert
October 27 — Chicken Pot Pie, Calico Rice, Butter beans, & Dessert

(Server Rotation Volunteers)

WILL CONTINUE TO BE EAT IN OR TAKE OUT!

ALL COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Don't wait!! Your Ministry Budgets are due now to Kim Glass & Eugenia Harrington

October 24th is DEADLINE!!



Fall is in the air in South Georgia! Choir is back at Avalon too! Please mark your calendars as we begin preparations for our Christmas program on Sunday, December 19, at 10:30am. There will be many familiar Christmas Carols to sing along with, as well as a few variety pieces?

Please join me in wishing choir member, Cathy Lange, a safe move as she relocates closer to her family in Tennessee. She has been a faithful member and we will miss her greatly!

We will also miss dear Mrs. Faye Tallent. The Tallents' were both regular choir members for decades and have played a big part in shaping how we do things at Avalon. I personally remember sitting next to Mr. Charlie and knowing he would always have jokes ready to lighten the mood. We can celebrate as they are now singing for Jesus in Heaven.

Blessings, Andrew

AUGUST Funds Received for Missions:

| From: | To: |
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| Communion Offering | Albany Rescue Mission |
| Ed & Lynne Haggerty | Albany Rescue Mission |
| John & Sheila Creel | Albany Rescue Mission |
| Mona Faye Williams | Albany Rescue Mission |
| Don & Carolyn Rentz | Albany Rescue Mission |
| Aubrey McClain | Communion Ofr./Alby Rescue Mission |
| Aubrey McClain | Golden Cross |
| Mary Frances Anderson | Golden Cross |
| Don & Carolyn Rentz | Golden Cross |
| John & Sheila Creel | Flynn Bridges Ministry |
| Ed & Lynne Haggerty | Missions |

AUGUST Funds Received for Memorials:

| From: | For: |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| Mona Faye Williams | Kenneth Wayne Corn Sr. |
| Mona Faye Williams | C. W. Hopkins |
| Mona Faye Williams | Renee Weldon |



Circle of Concern: Nikki Daniel, Dorothy Griffin, Ursula Gaydosh, Bobby Reese (friend of Barry & Tina Justice), David Michels (Brother of Cheryl Laughlin), Jim Warner, Phyl Strawbridge, Murray Blackstock, Wilda Rutland, Helen Magee (Sister of Cheryl Laughlin), Wendy McLeod (friend of Pastor Debbie), Valerie Decker (great granddaughter of Elaine Tarpley), Laura Lancaster (Daughter of Aubrey McClain), John & Sherry Tracy, Janet Beard, Janice Roberts (Mother of Pastor Debbie), Patsy Smith (Aunt of Pastor Debbie), Easton Griffin (Grandson of Robert & Beverly Fowler & Great -Grandson of Ida Fowler), Greg Snyder (Son-in-law of Eugenia Harrington), David Leeton (Brother of Vicki Cirone), Lorrie Ann Allchin (Sister of Pastor Debbie), Jim Brown & wife (Brother-in-law of Pastor Debbie), Donna Dean (Daughter of Carolyn Luttrell), Herb Benford, Randy Holland (Brother-in-law of Eugenia Harrington & Linda Jenkins)

If you know of anyone that needs to be added or removed please call Linda in the church office.

Home Bound – Please join us in this ministry to these members: Barry & Nikki Daniel, Ann Dollar, Nelle Ennis, Bill Coward, Gay Sheffield, Joyce Waters, Wilda Rutland, Ernestine Lancaster, Margaret Bruner

*****News From Missions Committee*****

The Missions Committee has designated the following mission ministries to receive all funds from Communion Offerings during the remainder of 2021:

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| October | World Communion Sunday (not a local ministry) |
| November | Lifeline Ministries |
| December | Graceway Recovery Residences |

All funds are appreciated anytime during entire months!



Football Season is here and Avalon will be hosting the Westover Football Team in the Celebration Hall on Friday, **October 8th @ 3:00pm**. We will provide a meal prior to their game and we need volunteers to help welcome and feed them. Everyone is welcome to come and help serve!

Our deepest sympathy to the Family of Mrs. Faye Tallent who passed away at the Willson Hospice House on September 23. We are praying for each of you.



OCTOBER 31st
SS @ 9:30am Worship @10:30am
Lunch in Celebration Hall immediately following morning worship!
Guest Speaker—Kelly Roberson

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES FOR MONTH OF OCTOBER, 2021

Sunday, October 3 (HOLY COMMUNION)

9:30am Sunday School.....Celebration Hall & Classrooms
 10:30am Worship.....Sanctuary

Wednesday, October 6, 2021

6:00pm Bible Study.....Celebration Hall
 6:30pm FNF.....Celebration Hall
 7:00pm Choir Practice.....Choir Room

Friday, October 8, 2021

3:00pm Feed Westover Football Team.....Celebration Hall

Sunday, October 10, 2021

9:30am Sunday School.....Celebration Hall & Classrooms
 10:30am Worship.....Sanctuary
 12:00noon Vision Meeting.....Celebration Hall

Wednesday, October 13, 2021

6:00pm Bible Study.....Celebration Hall
 6:30pm FNF.....Celebration Hall
 7:00pm Choir Practice.....Choir Room

Sunday, October 17, 2021

9:30am Sunday School.....Celebration Hall & Classrooms
 10:30am Worship.....Sanctuary
 12:00 noon Worship Committee Mtg.....Celebration Hall
 5:30pm S.E.W.N.First UMC

Tuesday, October 19, 2021

6:00pm Missions Com. Meeting.....Crosstalk SS Room

Wednesday, October 20, 2021

6:00pm **Special Guest Speaker, Rev. Rick Landford**.....Celebration Hall
 6:30PM FNF.....Celebration Hall
 7:00pm Choir Practice.....Choir Room

Sunday, October 24, 2021

9:30am Sunday School.....Celebration Hall & Classrooms
 10:30am Worship.....Sanctuary
 4:00PM Finance Com. Meeting.....Crosstalk SS Rm

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

6:00pm Bible Study.....Celebration Hall
 6:30pm FNF.....Celebration Hall
 7:00pm Choir Practice.....Choir Room

Sunday, October 31, 2021 (HOMECOMING)

9:30am Sunday School.....Celebration Hall & Classrooms
 10:30am Worship.....Sanctuary
 12:00noon Homecoming Meal & Fellowship.....Celebration Hall