

## *Ministry Opportunities*

**The Altar Flowers are Given to the Glory of God  
In Memory of Mr. Gary B. Madison & Mrs. Annie P. Kirkwood  
by Mrs. Virginia P. Madison Robinson**

**Help Needed - Parking Lot Greeters:** Research shows that church guests decide whether or not to return to a church within the first few minutes of arriving on the campus. Pastor Cowser is hoping to extend our greeter ministry into the parking lot—to assist those arriving for worship with parking by offering direction, a sense of security, but most of all, welcoming them to the greatest church in all of Birmingham, Alabama! If you are interested in helping to extend our hospitality, please let Pastor Cowser, Cynthia Abernathy, or Regina Warren (office@newbeginningsbham.org) know the Sunday(s) you are available as soon as possible. Our hope is to get started in July.

**Camp Special Offering:** On today, we will collect an offering to help raise funds for our children and youth who will be attending camps this summer – Camp Sumatanga, a United Methodist camp, in Gallant, Alabama and SEJ Harmbee at Rust College, a United Methodist HBCU in Holly Springs, Mississippi.

**Father's Day Reception:** Following worship service today.

**Finance Team Meeting:** Monday, June 18th, 6:00 p.m.

**Male Chorus Rehearsal:** Calling all men! Tuesday, June 19th, 7:00 p.m.

**Vacation Bible School:** June 20th-22nd, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. The VBS theme this year will be *Super God! Super Me! Super Possibilities!*

**Church Picnic:** Saturday, June 23rd, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., here at New Beginnings. Volunteers needed to help set up at 8:00 a.m. and to clean up following picnic.

**Core Team Meeting:** Monday, June 25th, 6:00 p.m.

**Prime Timers (Senior Fellowship):** Tuesday, June 26th, 10:30 a.m.

**Did You Know?** The video and audio of Pastor Cowser's sermons are online each week! Visit our website (www.newbeginningsbham.org), like our Facebook page (@newbeginningsbhamumc) or follow us on Twitter (@beginnings\_umc). Make sure you share sermons with others!

**Additional Announcements:** [www.newbeginningsbham.org/calendar](http://www.newbeginningsbham.org/calendar)  
To sign-up for the E-Newsletter, text "NBUMC" to 22828  
Church Office Hours: Monday – Thursday, 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.



## **New Beginnings United Methodist Church**

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### **CHURCH VISION STATEMENT**

***“Transforming lives through mission,  
ministry and worship as a prophetic witness  
for Jesus Christ in the world.”***

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Rev. Dr. Dedric A. Cowser  
*Senior Pastor*

### **Father's Day**

**5<sup>th</sup> Sun. After Pentecost | June 17, 2018 | 10:30 a.m.**

## Order of Service

\*CALL TO WORSHIP ..... Christy Shepherd

\*PRAISE & WORSHIP ..... Youth Praise Team

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*OPENING SONG ..... "O How I Love Jesus" #170

\*GREETING GUESTS & ONE ANOTHER  
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINISTRY OF MUSIC ..... Youth Choir

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament: Isaiah 61:1-4 (CEB) .....Taniya Bynum

New Testament: Acts 3:1-10 (CEB) .....Simonne Wells

ALTAR CALL & PASTORAL PRAYER ..... Ciara Shepherd  
THE LORD'S PRAYER

RECOGNITION OF ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

MINISTRY OF Dance

*Children's Church for ages 4-7 dismissed to children's classroom.  
Please register your child in the Welcome Center.*

**SERMON: Rev. Dr. Dedric A. Cowser**

**MISSION 35207 – PART 1**

**"Like a Good Neighbor..."**

**Luke 10:25-37 (CEB)**

\*INVITATION TO FOLLOW JESUS & CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

\*INVITATIONAL SONG..... "I Give Myself Away"

GOD'S TITHES & OUR OFFERINGS\*\*

SUMMER CAMP SPECIAL OFFERING

\*THE DOXOLOGY

\*CHURCH VISION STATEMENT

\*BENEDICTION

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**\*\*MORE WAYS TO GIVE! Online: [www.newbeginningsbham.org/give](http://www.newbeginningsbham.org/give)  
Text-To-Give: From your smartphone, text amount to 205-791-5441**

## Sermon Notes

**Luke 29-37 (CEB)**

<sup>29</sup>But the legal expert wanted to prove that he was right, so he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" <sup>30</sup>Jesus replied, "A man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. He encountered thieves, who stripped him naked, beat him up, and left him near death. <sup>31</sup>Now it just so happened that a priest was also going down the same road. When he saw the injured man, he crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. <sup>32</sup>Likewise, a Levite came by that spot, saw the injured man, and crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. <sup>33</sup>A Samaritan, who was on a journey, came to where the man was. But when he saw him, he was moved with compassion. <sup>34</sup>The Samaritan went to him and bandaged his wounds, tending them with oil and wine. Then he placed the wounded man on his own donkey, took him to an inn, and took care of him. <sup>35</sup>The next day, he took two full days' worth of wages and gave them to the innkeeper. He said, 'Take care of him, and when I return, I will pay you back for any additional costs.' <sup>36</sup>What do you think? Which one of these three was a neighbor to the man who encountered thieves?" <sup>37</sup>Then the legal expert said, "The one who demonstrated mercy toward him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

Point 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Point 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Point 3: \_\_\_\_\_



### Are You Thinking About Joining the Church?

*Don't wait!* You may talk with Pastor Cowser about your decision at the altar rails during the *Invitation to Follow Jesus and Church Membership* of any worship service, talk with him in the Welcome Center, or make an appointment to meet. The process is simple and we will get you connected right away. Another great option is to register for our *Next Steps Class*. *Next Steps* is a one-day class designed for new members and those interested in church membership. Register today in the Welcome Center for the next class.

*Church Staff:*

Regina Warren, Church Secretary

JonTomas Johnson, Minister of Music & Lead Musician

Nathaniel Willis, Organist

Antonio Anderson, Percussionist