

Wednesday Night Fellowship

Feb 17, 2016

Meal: Taco Salad, Refried Beans,
Corn and Dessert

Program for Feb 17:

"Time of Your Life" video series led by Scott Huff and a Women's Bible Study led by Miriam Robinson.

Reservations please by Tuesday 1/26
Indicate # of people:

\$6.50 ____ Adults & Children 12 or older

\$3.00 ____ Children age 3-11 (meal above) or

\$3.00 ____ Children 3- 11 (PBJ/Applesauce)

\$6.50 ____ To Go Orders (reservation required)

Cost: Excluding To Go orders, \$22 maximum for a family of 4—each additional family member over age 11 is \$5.50; age 3-11 \$3.00.

NAME: _____

You can pay online (thru the QR code) or via website or pay on Wednesday night. You can tear off this tab to register, call the office and leave a message or register online.

Upcoming Wednesday Night Fellowship

The next two Wednesday Night programs (Feb 17 and 24) will be the conclusion of the current programs: the video series entitled: "**Time of Your Life**" hosted by Scott Huff and **Women's Bible Study** led by Miriam Robinson.

A **Lenten Study** led by **Rev. Bill Carter** will follow on **March 2, 9, 16.**

Art Eckerson will present a series called the Alpha Course from March 30 through May 18, 2016.

United Methodist Women:

Don't Forget: District Day Apart

Saturday, February 20, 9:30a

Fairhaven UMC, Johnson City

Featuring: Gail Morris - music and witness

WELCOME 1ST CHURCH GUESTS !

"We hope you find worship here to be a way to experience the love of Jesus Christ."
--from pastor Jane Taylor speaking for all in the congregation

For Your Information:

Restrooms are located directly behind the sanctuary. There is a **nursery** for children (infant to 4 yrs of age). Our ushers or greeters can lead or direct you there **if you desire.**

If you would like to consider **becoming a member** of our church family, we invite you to do so. Please speak to the pastor or indicate so on the attendance slip.

An **AED** is located in the **CONNECT-OR; TOP FLOOR;** go through door at the front and to the right side of sanctuary.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR SUMMARY FEB 14-20, 2016

*** * 1stChurch Hosting Family Promise this week * ***

SUNDAY, FEB 14

9:15a Sunday School

10:30a Worship Service

11:40a Sanctuary Sessions 2nd of 3

4:30p Children/Youth Music Program

5:30p Snack Supper Youth/Children

6:15p Evening Worship Service

MONDAY, FEB 15

7:00p Southside Neighborhood Mtg.

7:00p Boy Scouts - Troop #36

8:00p College/Young Adult Group

TUESDAY, FEB 16

4:00p Program Staff Meeting

6:00p **1stChurch serves meal at Wesley Foundation**

6:30p Girl Scout Troop #978 Meeting

7:00p Outreach Pillar Meeting

WEDNESDAY, FEB 17

9:00a Intercessory Prayer Ministry

5:45p Wednesday Night Fellowship

7:30p Chancel Choir Practice

THURSDAY, FEB 18

7:00p Communication Pillar Mtg.

FRIDAY, FEB 19

10:00a **FUMC Serves at Melting Pot**

SATURDAY, FEB 20

9:30a **UMW JC District Day**

Apart at Fairhaven UMC JC

11:30a **CaveQuest VBS Introduction Forum and Luncheon - here**

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

USHERS: David Denny, Calvin McMann, Roger Bailey, Frank Mohap

GREETERS: Friendly 1stChurch People, TBA;

Also - if you would like to serve as a greeter, please call church office

PRAYER: Johnny Qualls

CROSSBEARER: Hank Berning

ACOLYTE: Molly Huff

BEADLE: Zane Huff

AUDIOVISUAL: Jeff Crowder



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Reverend Jane Taylor, Pastor

The First Sunday of Lent

February 14, 2016

10:30 am

Welcome! We are GLAD you are here.

Please sign the red attendance information pad located at one end of each pew.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

PRELUDE

"Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"

arr. Robert Lau

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: Sarah Kapoor

Leader: We come on this first Sunday of Lent to worship, to renew our faith, and to examine our discipleship.

People: We leave behind the cares of the world, to be still and to listen, for we are entering a holy time.

Leader: The journey to the cross was difficult for our Savior, Jesus.

People: The journey will be difficult for us, as we try to put aside all that keeps us from being followers of Jesus.

Leader: Put your hearts at ease, for we will never journey alone.

People: We will step out in faith to follow where Jesus leads us.

INVOCATION

***HYMN**

"Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"

No. 269

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Liturgist: Steve Morrison

Leader: Lord, the temptations of the world loom large before us and we are so easily "sweet-talked" into moving from lives of service to lives of self-centeredness.

People: We need Your forgiveness when we turn away from You, and put the things of the world on the throne of our lives. We need Your forgiveness, because we make anything and everything a larger priority than growing deeper in faith and in knowledge of Jesus.

Leader: We live contrary to Your will.

People: We fail to look beyond our own desires to see another's need.

Leader: We seek Your guidance as we wander through our personal wilderness.

People: Send Your Spirit to heal us, and to prepare us for a journey of discipleship and faithfulness.

(A time of silent prayer and reflection)

Leader: No one who believes in Jesus will be put to shame. Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

All: We place our trust and our hope in Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Romans 10:8-13

MORNING PRAYER with THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Which art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

***HYMN OF REFLECTION** "Gentle Shepherd" **Supplement No. 3096**

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "Wondrous Love" arr. Jan Sanborn

***DOXOLOGY** **No. 95**

GOSPEL READING Luke 4:1-13 Rev. Jane Taylor

ANTHEM "Christ Be Praised" Chancel Choir

When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries, May Jesus Christ be praised!
Alike at work and prayer, to Jesus I repair; may Jesus Christ be praised!
Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find; or fades my earthly bliss?
My comfort still is this, Christ be praised.

The night become as day when from the heart we say, may Jesus Christ be praised!
The powers of darkness fear, when this sweet song they hear: may
Jesus Christ be praised!

Ye nations of mankind in this your oneness find, Let all the earth around
Ring joyous with the sound, Christ be praised!

Lord, You reign in power and majesty, we exalt You all our days.
We the ransomed sing with victory, "May Jesus Christ be praised!"
Be this while life is mine, my canticle divine: may Jesus Christ be praised!

Be this the eternal song thro' all the ages long: may Jesus Christ be praised!
Let earth and sea and sky from depth to height reply: In heav'n's eternal bliss,
The loveliest strain is this: Christ be praised.

SERMON "What Will I Give Up?" Rev. Jane Taylor

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** "Take Time to Be Holy" **No. 395**

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord,
Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, Living Word.*

***A TIME FOR GREETING ONE ANOTHER**



*The Chancel Flowers are presented to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of Rose Barnes and Ethel Barnes Smith
by Doris Barnes*



Sanctuary Sessions *continue today*

Invest 20 minutes each Sunday for another week to foster even better hospitality at our church. The Worship Pillar is sponsoring these requested training events right after the close of worship:

**Today, Feb 14: How to Invite People to 1stChurch led, by Jeff Wadley
(director at Camp Bays Mountain)**

**Feb 21: How to Share Your Witness, led by Walter Weikel
(JC District Superintendent)**



*1st Church Family extends sympathy and prayers for comfort to Tom Palmer,
family and friends over the recent death of Shirley Palmer.*



PRAYER CONCERNS

Clare Warren & family	Tom Palmer and family	Helen Tilson
Jane Eddy	Carroll Waterbury	Jim Brant
Bonnie and Clay Marrs	Mark Dollar	Nancy Jewell
Amy Dryburgh	Mary McClellan	Jessica Higginbotham
Bobbie Wells	Barbara Marrs	Dillon Aagenes
Aldon and Betty Speer	Sue Zabala	Helen Holyfield
Chuck Short	Linda Stanley	Sara Jane Jones
Sue McGaha	Carrie Denny	Susan Ready
Jaimee Norman	Jerry Elliot	
Vivian Eckerson	Darrell Wayne Tilson	

Feb. 14, 2016 Prayer Requests
Publish in bulletin? Y N

Requested by:

Photo-a-Day Journey for Lent 2016

Many 1stChurch members are participating in this project. A word has been assigned to each day to help participants focus attention on the Lenten season. Even if you choose not to take photos, check the pictures, words and thoughts submitted by others on our Facebook page or website. Consider sending a photo of your own. You do not need to be a professional photographer. The words for this week are:

*Sun - celebrate Thurs - refuge
Mon - settle Fri - love
Tues - go Sat - live
Wed - mighty*

Cave Quest: Bree Nelson and Aimee Aiken are hosting a **2016 Vacation Bible School Showcase and Forum Luncheon** this **Saturday, Feb. 20**, 11:30 - 1:00pm. They will provide more information about VBS and highlight the exciting "Cave Quest" curriculum.

ELECTRONIC GIVING AVAILABLE

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Year-to-Date	1/31/16
Operating Funds	
Revenues	41,480
Operating Expenses	41,143
Surplus /(Deficit)	337