

**Wednesday Night Fellowship**

March 1, 2017 5:45 pm

**Menu:** Baked spaghetti, fruit cup, salad bar, bread, dessert

**Program:** Ash Wednesday service

Reservations by Tuesday 2/28 **at noon**

Indicate # of people:

\_\_\_ Adults & children over 12

\_\_\_ Children age 3-11 (meal above)

\_\_\_ Children 3-11 (PBJ/applesauce)

\_\_\_ to go orders (reservation required)

Cost: this year all meals will be paid by donation. A minimum of \$6.50 is requested for anyone who can pay for the meal. Anyone who can pay extra either each week or as a lump sum donation to cover the costs of meals for those who are not able to pay are encouraged to do so. Thank you!

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Pay online (thru QR code) or via website or pay at the door. To register tear off this tab and place in offering plate, call the office or go online.

Use this QR Code to access **online giving**.




Year-to-Date Operating Funds as of 1/31/17

Revenues	42,119
Operating Expenses	43,407
Surplus/(Deficit)	(1,289)

**Church staff:**  
 Rev. Jane Taylor, Pastor  
*jane.taylor@1stchurchjc.org*  
**(423)929-3137**  
 Billy Walker, Dir. Of Worship & Music  
*billy.walker@1stchurchjc.org*  
**(423)361-9255**  
 Kathie Battista, ELC Director  
*elc1986@1stchurchjc.org*  
**(423)943-1015**  
 Steve Reis, Dir. Outreach/Discipleship  
*steve.reis@1stchurchjc.org*  
**(614)208-3454**  
 Kati Uelhof, Dir. of Children's Ministries  
*kati.uelhof@1stchurchjc.org*  
**(423)557-6844**  
 Susan Davidson, Dir. Jr. hi youth  
*susan.davidson@1stchurchjc.org*  
**(423)943-4781**  
 Drew & Sharon Cradic, Dir. Sr. hi youth  
*drew.cradic@1stchurchjc.org*  
*sharon.cradic@1stchurchjc.org*  
**(423)676-5510 (D)(423)676-5511(S)**  
 Susan Dove Fields, Organist  
 Rhonda Simmons, Treasurer  
*treasurer@1stChurchJC.org*  
 Jennifer Boarman, Bulletin Coordinator  
*jennifer.boarman@1stchurchjc.org*  
**(423)943-8388**  
 Joshua Gbaa, Custodian  
 Finley Cook, Wednesday Night Chef  
*finleyac@gmail.com*  
 Christi Henn, Nursery  
 Website: *www.1stchurchjc.org*  
 Phone: (423) 928-9222

**SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:**  
**USHERS:** David Denny, Ben Peeples, Art Eckerson, Alan LeClair  
**GREETERS:** Grier Washam, Ernie Cross, Betty Gouge, Jamee Roberts  
**PRAYER:** Kathie Tucker **CROSSBEARER:** Molly Huff  
**ACOLYTE:** Claudia Davidson **BEADLE:** Zane Huff  
**AUDIOVISUAL:** Karl Kapoor

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**  
**FEBRUARY 26-MARCH 4, 2017**  
**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26**  
 9:15 Sunday School  
 10:30 Worship Service  
 11:45 Safe Sanctuary training  
 4:30 youth activity  
 4:30 children's choir  
 5:30 children & youth snack supper  
 6:15 The Branch  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27**  
 7:00 Women's Bible Study  
 7:00 Boy Scouts  
**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28**  
 5:30 staff meeting  
 7:00 Circle of Hope- parlor  
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1**  
**Ash Wednesday**  
 5:45 Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner and Program  
 6:15 youth  
 7:30 Chancel Choir  
**THURSDAY, MARCH 2**  
 10:00 Circle of Faith- conference room  
 6:00 Girl Scout Troop #978  
 6:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers- gym  
 6:30 Finance Committee- conference room  
**FRIDAY, MARCH 3**  
 6:30 Circle of Friends  
**SATURDAY, MARCH 4**  
 10:30 Safe Sanctuary training



**First United Methodist Church**  
**900 Spring Street Johnson City, TN 37604**  
 Worship Guide & Church Life Information Bulletin  
 Welcome to 1st Church! We are glad you are here!  
 Please sign the red registration pad at one end of each pew.

**THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**February 26, 2017**  
**Transfiguration Sunday**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING**

**PRELUDE** "Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken" arr. Don Hustad

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Our God has called us to go to the mountaintop.

**People: In faith, we will follow where God would have us go.**

Leader: Our God offers us words of wisdom and healing love.

**People: We open our hearts and spirits to hear His words of direction and guidance.**

Leader: Place your hope and trust in the Lord, for He is our guide.

**People: We come today to give our lives to the living Christ.**

**INVOCATION**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" No. 103

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Our Father, You have revealed Yourself to us, and called us to radiate Your glory and love through our words, our deeds, our expressions, and our disposition.

**People: We confess, however, that our attitudes often conceal rather than reveal Your glory.**

Leader: If we conceal Your love because our eyes are veiled through prejudice and intolerance, forgive us, Lord.

**People: If we conceal Your glory by reflecting our self-centeredness, forgive us, Lord.**

Leader: If we conceal Your truth through our lack of credible witness, forgive us, Lord.

**People: If we conceal Your justice through our failure to empower those who are powerless, forgive us, Lord.**

Leader: If we conceal Your mercy through hard and unforgiving attitudes, forgive us, Lord.

**People: If we conceal Your compassion through our indifference to those in need, forgive us, Lord. Please forgive us, and help us to renounce any shameful attitudes of mind and heart, so that we may reveal Your glory in all we do, and say, and are.**

(a time of silent prayer and reflection)

Leader: God knows us better than we know ourselves. God forgives us and calls us to shine His glory into our dark and troubled world.

**All: By God’s love, we are forgiven; by God’s mercy, we are made whole; by God’s grace, we are equipped to serve others. Thanks be to God! AMEN.**

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** 1 Peter 1:16-21

**MORNING PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER**

**Our Father, who 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** “O Living God” Supplement No. 3089

**OFFERTORY** “How Great Thou Art” arr. Fred Bock

**\*DOXOLOGY** No. 94

**\*GOSPEL READING** Matthew 17:1-9

**ANTHEM** “The Majesty and Glory of Your Name” from Psalm 8

*When I gaze into the night skies and see the work of Your fingers;  
The moon and stars suspended in space,  
O what is man that You are mindful of Him.  
You have given man a crown of glory and honor,  
And have made him a little lower than the angels.  
You have put him in charge of all creation:  
The beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea.  
But what is man that You are mindful of him.  
O Lord, our God, the majesty and glory of Your name  
Transcend the earth and fill the heavens.  
O Lord, our God, little children praise You perfectly, and so do we.  
Alleluia!*

**SERMON** “A Kingdom of Hearts” Steve Reis

**FAITH PROMISE OFFERING**

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT** “Be Thou My Vision” No. 451

**\*BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations!  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be Thine.*

**GO IN PEACE, GREET ONE ANOTHER IN THE NAME OF CHRIST, AND TAKE THE LOVE OF CHRIST WITH YOU THIS WEEK TO SHARE WITH ALL YOU MEET.**

**CALLING ALL CHILDREN/YOUTH VOLUNTEERS!** Here at FUMC, we have an absolute and unwavering commitment to the physical safety and spiritual growth of all our children, youth, and adults. In order to achieve this goal, Safe Sanctuary training is mandatory for all adults working with children and youth. Additionally, for these programs to exist, your willingness to volunteer is essential.

There will be two trainings:

—**TODAY** immediately following the morning worship service

—This Saturday, March 4th at 10:30 a.m.

Both trainings will be in the Creation Room in the Children’s Wing. It is vital that you attend one of these trainings if you are or think you might be interested in helping with the children or youth in the next 12 months—Sunday School, Wednesday nights, outings, retreats, Vacation Bible School, nursery, etc. If you have any questions, please call or text Kati Uelhof at (423)557-6844 or email kati.uelhof@1stchurchjc.org. We look forward to seeing you there as we strive to ensure the safety of all our children, youth, and adults.

February 26, 2017 Prayer Requests

Publish in bulletin? Y \_\_\_ N \_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Requested by \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer list:**

Betty & Aldon Speer	Ralph & Joan Garland
Mary McClellan	Nancy Jewell
Kristy Hodge Pratt	Bobbie Wells
Grier Washam	Bernice Stephens
Barbara Marrs	Jo Ann Rorrer
Bonnie Marrs	Linda Stanley
Elizabeth Bailey	Susan Fields
Brian Milby	Elizabeth Powell
Kim Slade	Willie Hughes
Tony Gentry	Clare Warren & parents
Harold Greene	Lyndell Denny
Megan Smith & family	Alan DeWitt
Helen Holyfield	Howard Smith
Betty Gouge (no calls or visits please)	Serena Crowder & family
Dot Woodby	Steven Smith
Jeff, Eleanor & Charlie Power	Phyllis Eorgan
	Harold Greene

Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Clay Marrs, who passed away Friday, February 10.

Sympathy is extended to Serena Crowder & family in the death of her father, Jackie Bookout, who passed away on Monday, February 20.

Coming up: Chili Fundraiser Luncheon on Sunday, March 19 after church to support sending 14 children and youth to the Montreat Worship and Music Conference June 25-July 1.

Chili, cornbread, salad & dessert provided for a donation