

**Wednesday Night Fellowship**

April 26, 2017 5:45 pm

**Menu:** Ham, oven roasted potatoes, green beans, salad bar, bread, dessert

**Program:** Parables of Jesus

Reservations by Tuesday 4/25 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 web-site 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 3/31/17

Revenues	121,846
Operating Expenses	151,852
Surplus/(Deficit)	(30,006)

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**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

**APRIL 23-29, 2017**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 23**

9:15 Sunday School  
 10:30 Worship Service  
 4:30 youth activity  
 4:30 Children's Choir  
 4:30 Confirmation Class  
 5:30 youth & children snack supper

6:00 CCYM Meeting

6:15 The Branch

**MONDAY, APRIL 24**

7:00 Women's Bible Study  
 7:00 Boy Scouts

**TUESDAY, APRIL 25**

5:30 Staff Meeting  
 7:00 Circle of Hope

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26**

5:45 Wednesday Night Fellowship  
 Dinner & Program

6:15 youth

7:30 Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY, APRIL 27**

5:30 ELC Board Meeting  
 6:00 Girl Scout Troop #978  
 7:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers-gym

**SATURDAY, APRIL 29**

10:00-12:00 Children's Choir  
 rehearsal in sanctuary

**SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:**

**USHERS:** David Denny, Ben Peeples, Art Eckerson, Alan LeClair  
**GREETERS:** Novice Gross, Deborah & Marcus Grant, Katie Mahoney, Mark & Polly Crowder

**PRAYER:** Joann Boyd **CROSSBEARER:** Macy Shell

**ACOLYTE:** Alex Uelhof **BEADLE:** Sammi Uelhof

**AUDIOVISUAL:** John Cradic

**First United Methodist Church**



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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**

**April 23, 2017**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING**

**PRELUDE** "Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain" arr. Gilbert Martin

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We gather today to worship our risen King.

**People: The joy of Easter still rings in our hearts.**

Leader: The gift of new life is ours in Jesus Christ.

**People: We open our hearts to all the wondrous things God has done for us.**

Leader: Let us lift our voices in praise.

**People: May our praise be a testimony to God's redeeming love!**

**INVOCATION**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** "Thine Be the Glory" No. 308

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

Leader: Merciful God, please don't let us live as if Jesus died and rose in vain. Forgive us when we close the doors of our hearts and minds to the Easter Gospel.

**People: Forgive us when we think we must face the world alone, forgetting that Jesus rose to walk with us and give us abundant life.**

Leader: Forgive us when we live in guilt over things we have done, forgetting that Jesus died and rose to take away our failures and to make us new creations.

**People: Forgive us when we think we have little to offer, forgetting that the riches of God's grace are available for us as we live and serve.**

Leader: Forgive us when we think we are worthy of your grace, forgetting that everything we have has been given to us to serve You and others in Jesus' name.

**People: Deliver us from negative thoughts that can cripple us, and from fashionable thoughts that can mislead us. When we close our doors to you and others, appear to us in surprising ways. Restore to us the joy of Easter. Speak to us and let us hear Your voice.**

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: How blessed are we, who have not seen, yet have come to believe the good news of the Gospel:

**All: In all things, Jesus the Messiah comes to us, bringing forgiveness and hope. Thanks be to God for His mercy and grace. AMEN**

**NEW TESTAMENT READING** 1Peter 1:3-9

**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** "Jesus Messiah" Words on Screen

**OFFERTORY** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" arr. Joel Raney

**\*DOXOLOGY** No. 94

**\*NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** John 20:19-31

**ANTHEM** "My Savior and My God"

*My life, my love, I give to Thee, Thou Lamb of God who died for me.*

*O may I ever faithful be, my Savior and my God.*

*O Thou who died on Calvary, to save my soul and set me free,*

*I'll dedicate my life to Thee, my Savior and my God.*

*I'll live for Him who died for me, how richer then my life will be.*

*I'll bow to Him on bended knee, my Savior and my God.*

**SERMON** "Faith, Trust, Compassion, and Love" Rev. Jane Taylor

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT** "Alleluia, Alleluia" No. 162

**\*BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.*

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Give praise to His name!*

**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.**

The chancel flowers today are given by Nancy & Mickey Honeycutt in memory of their son, David Daniel.

April 23, 2017 Prayer Requests

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

**Prayer list:**

Betty & Aldon Speer	Ralph & Joan Garland
Mary McClellan	Nancy Jewell
Kristy Hodge Pratt	Bobbie Wells
Grier Washam	Jo Ann Rorrer
Barbara Marrs	Susan Fields
Bonnie Marrs	Elizabeth Powell
Elizabeth Bailey	Willie Hughes
Brian Milby	Clare Warren & parents
Kim Slade	Lyndell Denny
Tony Gentry	Howard Smith
Harold Greene	Steven Smith
Megan Smith & family	Phyllis Eorgan
Helen Holyfield	Freddie Tester
Betty Gouge	Catherine Cartus
Dot Woodby	Eddie Gentry
Jeff, Eleanor & Charlie Power	Barbara Higgins
Britten Olinger	Madeline Jenkins
Bill Peebles	Tom Palmer
John Murphy	Ann Crowe
	Preston Blake
	Joe Shell

Thank you for all the cards, prayers, hugs & memorial donations in the recent weeks during the illness and passing of my mother. It is uplifting to know that God's love is always there. Even more, it is a special blessing to feel His love in part through precious souls who love, care for, laugh with, cry with & pray for us all along the way. Thank you for sharing all these gifts of the Spirit. Friends, you are some of those precious souls in our lives. We give our thanks to you & to God.

Karl & Anna Kapoor