

Leave Your Legacy Somewhere

On August 6th there will be an all-church potluck dinner in the Fellowship Hall following the worship service. We will have guest speaker, Paul Bowman, who is with the Holston Conference Foundation. His topic is "Provide & Protect." This will explain the differences in wills, revocable trusts, estate gifts, and endowments and how you can positively affect those you love and the ministries you care about long after you have gone. What kind of legacy do you want to leave your loved ones, your church, or your favorite ministry? He will provide a Q&A time within the hour of his presentation. Please sign up on the form below, tear it off and drop it in the offering plate by July 30th.

____ I/we will attend "Provide & Protect" dinner
____ # of people attending
____ I will bring a dish for the potluck
Name _____

Church Directory

If you have not filled this out yet, please take a moment to do so and drop in the offering plate so we can move forward with our church directory. Thank you!

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Phone # _____
Email _____

Would you like a new picture?
Yes _____ No _____

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

JULY 16-22, 2017

SUNDAY, JULY 16
9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Worship Service
2:30 Youth Event— hiking & swimming at Blue Hole
4:30 Children's Activities
5:30 Children & Youth Snack Supper
6:15 The Branch
MONDAY, JULY 17
5:30 Vacation Bible School
7:00 Boy Scouts
TUESDAY, JULY 18
5:00 Staff Meeting
5:30 Vacation Bible School
WEDNESDAY, JULY 19
4:00 Youth Council Meeting
5:30 Vacation Bible School
7:30 Chancel Choir
THURSDAY, JULY 20
5:30 Vacation Bible School
6:00 Girl Scout Troop #978
6:30 Connections/Communications Meeting
7:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers—gym
FRIDAY, JULY 21
10:00 FJMC serves at the Melting Pot
5:30 Vacation Bible School
SATURDAY, JULY 22
ASP Local Projects Week— youth helping
10:00 Community Mission Food Distribution-Neighborhood Center

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

USHERS: David Denny, Ernie Walker, Ken Talley, Dale Schmitt
GREETERS: Art Eckerson, Deborah & Marcus Grant, Mark & Polly Crowder, Kent & Midge Merrill
PRAYER: Dianna Boarman **CROSSBEARER:** Stephen Cradic
ACOLYTE: Hank Berning **BEADLE:** Sammi Uelhof
AUDIOVISUAL: Ethan Morelock

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

July 16, 2017

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

PRELUDE "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" Arr. Hal Hopson

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather in this place to celebrate the wonder of our mighty and merciful God.

People: Our God is great and is clothed with glory and majesty.

Leader: Let us join with the hosts of heaven to sing our praise and to offer our worship.

People: I will sing to the Lord all my life. I will sing praises to God for as long as I live.

INVOCATION

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" No. 139

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Loving God, we admit that we are a lot like stony fields.

People: You have planted the seeds of the Kingdom in our lives, but we tend to water other things.

Leader: You have sowed abundant mercy in our hearts,

People: but we have trouble being merciful to others.

Leader: You have sowed eternal truth in our minds,

People: but that truth languishes as we pursue our own personal ideas and interests.

Leader: You have sowed peace for our souls,

People: but peace withers in our envy, pride, greed, and fear.

Leader: You have sowed unconditional love in our lives,

People: but we withhold love from others in resentments, grudges, judgment, and prejudice.

Leader: Save us, God, from the things that choke out Your voice.

People: Give us a new desire to love and serve You with all our hearts.

(A time for personal reflection)

Leader: God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that through Him, the world might be saved. My friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

People: Through the saving work of Jesus Christ, we all are forgiven. Thanks be to God! AMEN

EPISTLE READING Romans 8:1-11

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** "Holy Spirit" Words on Screen

OFFERTORY "How Beautiful" Twila Paris/Arr. Hal Hopson

***DOXOLOGY** No. 94

GOSPEL READING Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

ANTHEM "The Love of Christ"

*If I could speak the love of Christ, my Lord and Master crucified,
I'd testify His precious blood became a cleansing, crimson flood;
The sinner's healing tide.*

*If I could sing the love of Christ, if such a song I'd ever find,
Each note would soar on eagle's wings to praise with angels as they sing,
The Savior of mankind.*

*But should I sing for all my days the brightest melody,
How could I say in songs of praise all Christ has done for me?*

*So I must live the love of Christ, and go where Christ alone would go.
I'll bear His cross and share His pain without the hope of worldly gain;
No greater love I'll show.*

SERMON "A Sower Went Out to Sow" Rev. Jane Taylor

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** "Breathe On Me, Breath of God" No. 420

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.

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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.



FUMC at Cardinal Park

Join us Wednesday, July 26 at Cardinal Park for a night of fun, fellowship, and baseball! The tickets and meal are provided by FUMC. Tickets will be given out at the gate beginning at 6:00. Pick up your meal from the concession stand and gather at the pavilion. Game time is 7:00

FUMC is joining with ASP and Holston Habitat in doing home repairs for families living in the Tree Streets (our neighborhood.) The work will be conducted daily, 9 am to 4 pm, from July 22nd through the 30th. We have several people signed up but are in need of several more volunteers. Your skill level in carpentry does not matter. There are jobs for all. You can work 1 day, 3 days, or the entire week. On some days our high school youth will be working and this can be a great time for intergenerational ministry. Please consider lending a hand in ministry outreach to our neighbors. Contact Brian Rosecrance at 747-4671 for more information or a registration form.

Wednesday Nighters will resume August 2 for children and youth. Adult programming will start on August 23.

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



Year-to-Date Operating Funds as of 6/30/17

Revenues	255,352
Operating Expenses	288,756
Surplus/(Deficit)	(33,404)

July 16, 2017 Prayer Requests

Publish in bulletin? Y ___ N ___

Requested by _____

Prayer list:

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| Betty & Aldon Speer | Lyman Sweeney |
| Mary McClellan | Willie Hughes |
| Kristy Hodge Pratt | Clare Warren & parents |
| Barbara Marrs | Howard Smith |
| Bonnie Marrs | Steven Smith |
| Elizabeth Bailey | Phyllis Eorgan |
| Brian Milby | Freddie Tester |
| Tony Gentry | Catherine Cartus |
| Harold Greene | Eddie Gentry |
| Helen Holyfield | Barbara Higgins |
| Dot Woodby | Madeline Jenkins |
| Jeff, Eleanor & Charlie Power | Tom Palmer |
| Bill Peebles | Ann Crowe |
| Those facing addiction issues & the homeless | Preston Blake |
| Mack Peterson | Joe Shell |
| Ralph & Joan Garland | Carrol Waterbury |
| Nancy Jewell | Mike Carter |
| Bobbie Wells | Jason Mills |
| Marian Cocke | Melissa Nichols |
| Elizabeth Wells | Frank Stuckey |
| Caleb Merendino | Amanda Dean & Justin Steinmann |
| Dena-Antoinette Chisholm | Betty Jones Gouge & Eric Gouge |
| John Goins | Sandy Honeycutt |
| Jayson Paul Bartley | Kevin Jones |

Fifth Sunday Breakfast

Join us for Fifth Sunday Breakfast! July 30th at 9:15 in the Fellowship Hall

Potluck breakfast, fellowship, and devotion hosted by the Open Door Class