

Wednesday Night Fellowship

January 24, 2018 5:45 pm

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

Reservations by Tuesday 1/23 **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**.



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WEEKLY CALENDAR

JANUARY 21-27, 2018

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Worship Service
4:30 Children & Youth Activities
5:30 Children & Youth Snack Supper
6:15 The Branch

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

7:00 Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

4:30 Staff Meeting
7:00 Circle of Hope- Parlor

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

5:45 Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner & Program
6:15 Children's Choir
6:15 Children & Youth Activities
7:30 Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

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

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

10:00 Community Mission Food Distribution- Neighborhood Center

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

USHERS: David Denny, Ernie Walker, Ken Talley, Dale Schmitt
GREETERS: Novice Gross, Katie Mahoney, Ann Mohap, Donna Robbins
PRAYER: Finley Cook **CROSSBEARER:** Macy Shell
ACOLYTE: Zane Huff **BEADLE:** Sammi Uelhof
AUDIOVISUAL: Ethan Morelock

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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

January 21, 2018

Third Sunday after Epiphany

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

PRELUDE "God of the Prophets" Arr. David Paxton

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus comes, proclaiming good news of salvation.

People: God is with us. We are invited to come and see.

Leader: Jesus comes, inviting us to follow.

People: The Kingdom of heaven is open, and Jesus will show us the way of life.

Leader: We hear the good news. We hear God's call.

People: May God give us the courage to follow Jesus with all our hearts, soul, mind, and strength.

INVOCATION

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine" No. 166

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Merciful God, we have failed to live as You have called us to live.

People: We confess that we find Your way of living to be inconvenient, challenging, and difficult, so we rationalize our thoughts and actions as we pursue our own desires.

Leader: You have blessed us and anointed us to be servant people, but we have turned from our neighbor and refused to bear the burdens of others.

People: We pray, "Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done," but we ignore the pain of the world, and pass by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed.

Leader: In Your great mercy, forgive our sins and free us from our self-centered ways.

People: Renew in us a desire to follow in the footsteps of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Teach us to love, to forgive, and to serve as we were taught.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: In spite of our sin, God loves us and hears our prayers. God restores us and leads us to paths of righteousness. My friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ, we are loved, healed, and forgiven. Thanks be to God. AMEN

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON I John 3:11-23

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** "Oceans" Words on Screen

OFFERTORY "God of Grace and God of Glory" Arr. Larry Shackley

DOXOLOGY No. 94

GOSPEL READING John 1:43-51

ANTHEM "Be Thou My Vision"

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.

Thou my best thought by day or by night, waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord.

Thou my great Father, I Thy true son; Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise. Thou mine inheritance, now and always.

Thou and Thou only, first in my heart. High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won! May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O ruler of all.

Be Thou my light when I walk in the night.

SERMON "Following Jesus" Rev. Jane Taylor

***HYMN** "O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee" No. 430
Verses 1, 2, & 3

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

In hope that sends a shining ray far down the future's broadening way,

In peace that only Thou canst give,

With Thee, O Master, let me live.

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.

Security Group

(Members studying the safety of parishioners and security of the church)

David Denny	Mickey Honeycutt	Bonnie Sampson
Mike Eddy	Mike Hopson	Rhonda Simmons
Art Eckerson	Keith Jones	Jane Taylor
Steve Gross	Ben Peebles	David Trent
Jim Heaton	Calvin Robinson	

Safety Monitors Needed!

We are developing ways to keep our parishioners safe and our church secure. Monitors are needed to check halls, secure doors, etc. during services on a rotating basis. Anyone willing to assist (or if you want more information) contact Mike Hopson, Ben Peebles, Calvin Robinson, Jim Heaton, or a member of the Security Group.

The Circle of Hope will meet in the Parlor at 7:00 on Tuesday, January 23.

Sympathy is extended to Nancy and Mike Hopson and family in the death of Nancy's father, Harold Greene, on Thursday.

January 21, 2018 Prayer Requests

Publish in bulletin? Y ___ N ___

Requested by _____

Prayer list:

Betty & Aldon Speer	Janie Peterson
Mary McClellan	Bob & Dee Lentz
Kristy Hodge Pratt	Carolyn Wood
Barbara Marrs	Joan Tansil
Elizabeth Bailey	Bobby & Viola Seay
Nannie Greene	Sue Speer
Dot Woodby	Jo Cross
Mack Peterson	Our church
Ralph & Joan Garland	Our nation
Nancy Jewell	Kim Church
Bobbie Wells	LaMarr Talley
Elizabeth Wells	Evelyn Moore
Willie Hughes	Beth Woodby & family
Clare Warren & parents	Steve Holmes
Howard Smith	Donna Royston
Catherine Cartus	Vicky Coffman
Tom Palmer	Linda Church
Carrol Waterbury	Coolidge Johnson
Kevin Jones	Sue Manuszak
Carrie Denny	Isaac Stephenson
	Dianna Boarman

Save the Date!

Mark your calendars for the Evening on Spring Street, coming up on Saturday, February 17. It will be a time of fun and fellowship with our church family while helping our senior high youth raise money for their summer mission trip.