

Wednesday Night Fellowship

May 16, 2018 5:45 pm

Menu: Ham, oven roasted potatoes, broccoli, salad bar, bread, dessert

Program:

Reservations by Tuesday, May 15 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 3/31/18

Revenues	126,141
Operating Expenses	147,031
Surplus/(Deficit)	(20,890)

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

MAY 13-19, 2018

SUNDAY, MAY 13

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

MONDAY, MAY 14

- 7:00 Boy Scouts
- 7:30 Softball game— Winged Deer Park, Field #1
- 9:30 Softball game— Winged Deer Park, Field #2

TUESDAY, MAY 15

- 4:30 Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

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

THURSDAY, MAY 17

- 6:00 Girl Scout Troop #978
- 6:00 Wayfinders

- 7:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers— gym

FRIDAY, MAY 18

- 10:00 FUMC serves at the Melting Pot

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

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

GREETERS: Grier Washam, Betty Gouge, Ernie Cross, Sharon Cradic

PRAYER: Finley Cook **CROSSBEARER:** Stephen Cradic

ACOLYTE: Hank Berning **BEADLE:** Zane Huff

AUDIOVISUAL:



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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

May 13, 2018

The Ascension of the Lord

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

PRELUDE "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" Arr. Dale Wood

CHORAL INTROIT Cherub Choir

"1-2-3"

"Jesus Loves Me"

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Jesus is "ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father."

People: We gaze into the heavens, remembering that our inheritance rests in His glory.

Leader: With shouts of praise we celebrate the good news of God's salvation.

People: With joy, we proclaim to the nations the greatness of God, and tell the people all the things God has done.

Leader: The Lord is King. Let the earth rejoice as one, for God is righteous and fair.

People: Rejoice in the Lord and praise God's holy name!

INVOCATION

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know" No. 163

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

Leader: Lord Jesus, we have not lived as You intend us to live. We have seen You in Your glory and have felt your presence in our lives,

People: but the light in our heart fades when confronted with hopelessness, fear, and doubt.

Leader: You send the Spirit to reign in our hearts and give us life abundant,

People: but we choose to follow our own courses, our own schedules, and our own desires.

Leader: You call us to be witnesses in the world, bearing Your story of love and redemption to all people,

People: but we focus on our own well-being at the expense of those who face struggles, needs, and hardships.

Leader: Forgive us, Lord. Open our hearts to hear Your voice.

People: Forgive us, Lord. Challenge us to continue Your ministry here on earth. Teach us to proclaim Your love, justice, peace, and unity wherever we go.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: We can hide nothing from God. God knows everything about us and still treats us with compassion and mercy. We are loved with an unconditional love. My friends, in faith, believe the good news of the Gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ, we are washed clean and forgiven. Thanks be to God. AMEN

MEDITATION IN MUSIC Good News Singers

"Be Strong in the Lord"

EPISTLE READING Ephesians 1:15-23

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** "How Great is Our God" Words on Screen

OFFERTORY "Morning Song" Arr. Gilbert Martin

***DOXOLOGY** No. 94

***NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** Acts 1:1-11

ANTHEM "The Perfect Wisdom of Our God"

The perfect wisdom of our God, revealed in all the universe.

All things created by His hand are held together by His command.

He knows the mysteries of the seas; the secrets of the stars are His.

He guides the planets on their way and turns the earth through another day.

The perfect timing of His ways along the path of righteousness.

His word a lamp unto my feet; His Spirit teaching and guiding me.

And O the wisdom of the cross to save the helpless and the lost.

He chose the fool to shame the wise that all the glory might go to Christ. Alleluia!

O grant me wisdom from above to pray for peace and cling to love,

And teach me humbly to receive the sun and rain of Your Sovereignty.

Each strand of sorrow has a place within this tapestry of grace.

So through the trials I'll choose to say: "Your perfect will in Your perfect way." Alleluia! Amen.

SERMON "It's All About Jesus" Rev. Jane Taylor

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** "O Christ, When You Ascended" Supplement No. 3087

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary

Pure and holy, tried and true

With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for You.

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.

Please note that the **Connections/Communications** monthly meeting has been changed from May 17th to May 24th at 6:30

2018 Hands-On Mission Project: School Kits for Liberia

These are due at the church by Sunday, June 3rd. Pack all items in a backpack.

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| 1- 12" ruler | 1- 10-12 pack pencils |
| 2 boxes chalk | 1 pack erasers |
| 1 compass for math | 2 pencil sharpeners |
| 1 protractor | 3 spiral notebooks (70 ct.) |
| 1-10-12 pack pens (blue or black) | 1 small Bible (new or used) |

The UMW will be hosting a graduation reception for the graduates following the morning worship service on May 20.

Graduation time is approaching and 1st Church would like to have any pictures and biographical information our graduates (or families) would like to share. Please submit this soon to be included in the bulletin, website, and Facebook posts. We will have Graduate Recognition on Sunday, May 20. Please call (928-9222) or email the church office at office@1stchurchjc.org with any information.

We are so excited that registration is now open for **Camp in the Community**. This is a free day camp that will be here at 1st Church June 18-22. It will include recreation, crafts, story time and much more. It is from 9:00a.m. - 3:00p.m. for rising kindergartners to rising 8th graders. To register your child please email bree.nelson@1stchurchjc.org We are also looking for volunteers to help during the week (you don't have to help all five days.) These volunteers would only be responsible for chaperoning the groups- everything else will be taken care of by the Camp in the Community staff. For more information or to sign up to help, email Bree Nelson.

May 13, 2018 Prayer Requests

Publish in bulletin? Y ___ N ___

Requested by _____

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| Prayer list: | Our nation |
| Betty & Aldon Speer | Kim Church |
| Kristy Hodge Pratt | LaMarr Talley |
| Barbara Marrs | Evelyn Moore |
| Elizabeth Bailey | Steve Holmes |
| Dot Woodby | Donna Royston |
| Ralph & Joan Garland | Vicky Coffman |
| Nancy Jewell | Linda Church |
| Bobbie Wells | Jo Cross |
| Elizabeth Wells | Vivian Eckerson |
| Willie Hughes | Rev. Donna Hester |
| Clare Warren & parents | Eden Pendergrass |
| Howard Smith | Marie Gough |
| Catherine Cartus | Edna Johnson |
| Tom Palmer | Chantal Vinson |
| Carrol Waterbury | Judy Rust |
| Kevin Jones | Bonnie Aubin |
| Carrie Denny | Christy Cagle |
| Bob & Dee Lentz | Mike Cairnes |
| Carolyn Wood | The Gouge Family |
| Joan Tansil | Panita Norwood |
| Bobby & Viola Seay | Bill & Mary McClellan |
| Sue Speer | Brian Milby |
| Our church | John Collins |
| | Clay Thomas |
| | Ryan Donnelly |



Join us Sunday, May 20th at 4:30 for Sundae Funday in the Pine Street parking lot! We will have fun and fellowship followed by sundaes! Bring your whole family and a friend!