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**Camp in the Community**  
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 Camp in the Community has arrived at First Church! It will begin at 9:00 tomorrow morning. Please join us tonight at 6:45 in the Pine Street Parking Lot for a special time of prayer for our campers, counselors, and volunteers!  
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 Rev. Bill Carter is turning 90! First Church invites you to join in celebrating him at his birthday party this Saturday, June 23, from 2:00-4:00 in the fellowship hall.  
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**Fundraiser for Brother's Keeper**  
 Ultimate Shine 3 Minute Express Car Wash is holding a fundraiser for Brother's Keeper all summer long (6/1-8/31). It's easy- choose your wash, hit the orange fundraiser button, and enter the code 129 (before you pay), and 30% of that sale will go directly to Brother's Keeper. Good at all 9 tri-cities locations, including the two in Johnson City- 3105 W. Market St. and 304 W. Oakland Ave.

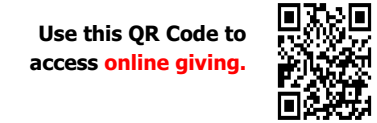
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**WEEKLY CALENDAR**  
**JUNE 17-23, 2018**  
**SUNDAY, JUNE 17**  
 9:15 Sunday School  
 10:30 Worship Service  
 6:45 Prayer Time for Camp in the Community  
**MONDAY, JUNE 18**  
 9:00-3:00 Camp in the Community  
 6:30 Softball Game- Winged Deer Park, Field #2  
 7:00 Boy Scouts  
 8:30 Softball Game- Winged Deer Park, Field #2  
**TUESDAY, JUNE 19**  
 9:00-3:00 Camp in the Community  
 4:30 Staff Meeting  
 6:30 Softball Game-Winged Deer Park, Field #1  
**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20**  
 9:00-3:00 Camp in the Community  
 5:00 Guitar Class- Ages 12-15  
 6:30 Guitar Class- Ages 16 & up  
 7:30 Chancel Choir  
**THURSDAY, JUNE 21**  
 9:00-3:00 Camp in the Community  
 6:00 Girl Scout Troop #978  
 6:30 Connections/Communications  
 7:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers- gym  
**FRIDAY, JUNE 22**  
 9:00-3:00 Camp in the Community  
**SATURDAY, JUNE 23**  
 10:00 Community Mission Food Distribution  
 2:00 90th Birthday Celebration for Bill Carter-Fellowship Hall

**SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:**  
**USHERS:** David Denny, Ernie Walker, Ken Talley, Dale Schmitt  
**GREETERS:** Jamee Roberts, Ann Mohap, Bonnie Sampson, Joanne Peterson  
**PRAYER:** Dianna Boarman **CROSSBEARER:** Taylor Nichols  
**ACOLYTE:** Avery Nelson **BEADLE:** Ellie Nelson  
**AUDIOVISUAL:**

**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**  
**June 17, 2018**  
**Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING**  
**PRELUDE** Introduction and Chorale on "Aurelia" Robert Hobby  
**CALL TO WORSHIP**  
 Leader: Come, let us gather to praise the Lord.  
**People: This is the day the Lord has made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**  
 Leader: In this place, God offers us new hope and new possibilities.  
**People: We long for a new and better way of life as disciples of Jesus.**  
 Leader: Listen for the voice of God.  
**People: As we worship, may we honor our God, and learn to be ambassadors for Christ in love and service.**  
**INVOCATION**  
**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" No. 160



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

Leader: Loving God, we hear Your voice but have trouble obeying Your words.

**People: Called to be servants, we idolize the powerful.**

Leader: Called to be faithful, we hunger for the world’s wisdom.

**People: Called to be poor in spirit, we thirst for more and more.**

Leader: How do we approach You, O God?

**People: We make You weary with our inability to do justice for the poor and outcast. We gossip about those who are close to us, instead of being their loving friend. We make promises, and then go back on our word.**

Leader: Forgive us, God of Hope, and bless us with Your mercy.

**People: By Your grace, teach us to do justice. By Your love, teach us to act kindly. By Your peace, teach us to walk with You in humility, as did our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.**

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: At the very moment we discover that the things of the world provide no true home for us, we find God, standing ready to give us real and abundant life. My friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

**All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God! AMEN**

**NEW TESTAMENT READING** 2 Corinthians 5:6-17

**CAMP IN THE COMMUNITY**

**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** “Build Your Kingdom Here” Words on Screen

**OFFERTORY** “Adagio” Robert Hobby

**\*DOXOLOGY** No. 94

**\*GOSPEL LESSON** Mark 4:26-34

**ANTHEM**

“O God Beyond All Praising”

*O God beyond all praising, we worship You today  
And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;  
For we can only wonder at every gift You send,  
At blessings without number and mercies without end;  
We lift our hearts before You and wait upon Your word,  
We honor and adore You our great and mighty Lord.  
For we can only wonder at every gift You send,  
At blessings without number and mercies without end;  
For Christ, Your gift from heaven, from death has set us free,  
And we through Him are given the final victory.  
Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,  
That we who know Your favor may serve You as our King;  
And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,  
We'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless You still:  
To marvel at Your beauty and glory in Your way,  
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.*

**SERMON**

“Living With Confidence”

Rev. Jane Taylor

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT** “O Jesus, I Have Promised” No. 396

**\*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.**

Sympathy is extended to Jenny & Brian Haun and family in the death of Jenny’s mother, Ann Richardson.

Sympathy is extended to Jeff & Serena Crowder and family in the death of Serena’s mother, Avril Bookout.

June 17, 2018 Prayer Requests

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

**Prayer list:**

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| Betty & Aldon Speer    | Chantal Vinson                    |
| Kristy Hodge Pratt     | Judy Rust                         |
| Barbara Marrs          | Bonnie Aubin                      |
| Elizabeth Bailey       | Christy Cagle                     |
| Dot Woodby             | Mike Cairnes                      |
| Ralph & Joan Garland   | Panita Norwood                    |
| Nancy Jewell           | Bill & Mary McClellan             |
| Bobbie Wells           | Brian Milby                       |
| Elizabeth Wells        | John Collins                      |
| Clare Warren & parents | Clay Thomas                       |
| Catherine Cartus       | Ryan Donnelly                     |
| Tom Palmer             | Bill Jenkins                      |
| Carrol Waterbury       | Magnolia Ridge family of recovery |
| Kevin Jones            | Cynthia Nieto                     |
| Carrie Denny           | Sabrina, Robert, & Felicia Harris |
| Bob & Dee Lentz        | Phil & Diana Pipkin               |
| Carolyn Wood           | Dacia Harris                      |
| Bobby & Viola Seay     | Chelsea Dewbre                    |
| Sue Speer              | Wyatt Jones                       |
| Kim Church             | Julie Harris                      |
| LaMarr Talley          | Kyndra Gunter                     |
| Evelyn Moore           | Nathan Weatherbee                 |
| Steve Holmes           | Mark Nottingham & family          |
| Donna Royston          | Don Bettis                        |
| Vicky Coffman          | Bryan Murphy                      |
| Linda Church           | Hannah Stevens                    |
| Jo Cross               | John Hames                        |
| Vivian Eckerson        | Linda Smith                       |
| Rev. Donna Hester      | Daniel                            |
| Eden Pendergrass       | Frannie Knouse                    |
| Edna Johnson           | Lauren Dake                       |