

Wednesday Night Fellowship

October 3, 2018 5:45 pm

Menu: Chicken pot pie, apples, salad bar, bread, dessert

Program: Half Truths: Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin, led by Brian Roseance

Reservations by Tuesday, 10/2 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: All meals are 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 8/31/18

Revenues	345,187
Operating Expenses	373,220
Surplus/(Deficit)	(28,034)

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WEEKLY CALENDAR
SEPT. 30-OCT. 6, 2018
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
 9:15 Sunday School
 10:30 Worship Service
 3:00 Charge Conference
 4:30 Children, Youth, & Wayfinders Activities
 5:30 Children & Youth Snack Supper
 6:15 The Branch
MONDAY, OCTOBER 1
 7:00 Boy Scouts
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2
 4:30 Staff Meeting
 6:00 Trustees Meeting
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3
 4:15 Youth Choir
 5:00 Guitar Class
 5:45 Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner & Program
 6:15 Children & Youth Activities
 7:30 Chancel Choir
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4
 9:00 UMW Executive Committee
 10:00 UMW General Meeting & Coffee
 6:00 Wayfinders
 6:30 Finance Committee
 7:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers-- gym
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5
 6:30 Circle of Friends

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:
USHERS: Donna Robbins, Pam Heaton, Janice Moore, Janet Mentgen, Judy Cook
GREETERS: Novice Gross, Katie Mahoney, Donna Robbins, Deborah & Marcus Grant
PRAYER: Fran Waterbury **CROSSBEARER:** Hank Berning
ACOLYTE: Claudia Davidson **BEADLE:** Madelyn Wardeska-McGuire
AUDIOVISUAL: John Cradic



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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
September 30, 2018
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

PRELUDE "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" Arr. Gregg Sewell

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, let us worship our God who provides generously for us.

People: We come to celebrate God's mighty acts and saving grace.

Leader: We lift our voices in praise, for God has come to comfort us.

People: In humility we bow in thanks for all God's tender love.

Leader: Rejoice, for God has shown us favor and has called us to build God's kingdom.

People: We open our hearts to hear God's truth, and to learn God's ways of mercy and grace.

INVOCATION

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above" No. 126

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

Leader: We confess, O Lord, that we struggle with choosing between following You and following our own desires.

People: We lack the faith needed to trust that You will take care of us in all things.

Leader: We seek our own comfort and miss opportunities to witness as Your disciples.

People: We are too self-centered to notice the hurts and needs of those around us.

Leader: We are too stubborn to admit that our choices bring pain to others.

People: We are too self-righteous to forgive those who have brought pain to us.

Leader: We are quick to judge and slow to show compassion.

People: We fail to share Your grace, mercy, and love with all Your people.

Leader: We are sorry, Lord, for the times we fail to live as You want us to live.

People: Please forgive us. Teach us the joy of living as servants of Jesus our Lord.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: When we wander from the truth, God offers us grace and mercy. When we confess our sins, God forgives us and brings healing to our troubled souls. My friends, remember and believe the good news of the Gospel:

People: By the saving word of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and restored to new life. Thanks be to God! Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING James 5:13-20

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS Joanne Peterson

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 "He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought" Arr. Mark Hayes

***DOXOLOGY** No. 94

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 9:38-50

ANTHEM

"Faithfulness"

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father, there is no shadow of turning with Thee. Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not; as Thou has been Thou forever will be.

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above Join with all nature in manifold witness to Thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed Thy hand hath provided; great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide; Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

SERMON "Minding Your Own Spiritual Business" Rev. Jane Taylor

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy" No. 121

***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.

A big thank you goes to Brian Haun for installing new lights in the Fellowship Hall and downstairs hallway. We appreciate you!

TRUNK OR TREATING AND HOT DOG SUPPER

Wednesday, October 24th from 5:45-7:00



Can you volunteer your time by giving out candy from your car trunk or truck bed? Can you provide candy (wrapped) for handing out to the children who attend this outreach event? Candy can be dropped off in the office or the print room. If you have questions, you may contact Steve Reis at 928-9222 or Lana Scott at 929-9094. Thanks from the Outreach Committee for helping us with this event!

September 30, 2018 Prayer Requests

Publish in bulletin? Y ___ N ___

Requested by _____

Prayer list:

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| Betty & Aldon Speer | Magnolia Ridge family of recovery |
| Barbara Marrs | Mark Nottingham & family |
| Elizabeth Bailey | Don Bettis |
| Dot Woodby | Bryan Murphy |
| Ralph & Joan Garland | Frannie Knouse |
| Nancy Jewell | Brittany Newton |
| Bobbie Wells | Rev. David Neel |
| Elizabeth Wells | Jim Pavegio |
| Clare Warren & parents | Cody Hammond |
| Catherine Cartus | Joe Campbell |
| Tom Palmer | Mitch Link |
| Kevin Jones | Michael Harrell |
| Carrie Denny | Sharyn Lessly |
| Bob & Dee Lentz | Jane Wilhoit Anderson |
| Carolyn Wood | Nancy Wilhoit Norris |
| Sue Speer | Midge Merrill |
| Kim Church | Emily Hawkins |
| LaMarr Talley | Christy Cagle |
| Evelyn Moore | Beth Minutolo |
| Linda Church | Sue Zabala |
| Jo Cross | Betty McGaha |
| Edna Johnson | Steve Holmes |
| Jerry & Judy Rust | Phil & Donna Pipkin |
| Bill & Mary McClellan | Vivian Eckerson |
| Brian Milby | Clare May |
| | Casey & Lindsay Carmical |

Charge Conference

Charge Conference is today at 3:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is encouraged to attend this annual planning meeting of our church.