

Wednesday Night Fellowship

Jan. 27, 2016

Meal: Pork Loin, Potatoes, Broccoli, Salad
Bar, Bread, Dessert

Programs for Jan 27:

- (1) Video Series on "Time of Your Life"
Moderated by Scott Huff
- (2) Women's Bible Study
Moderated by Miriam Robinson

Reservations please by Tuesday 1/26
Indicate # of people:

\$6.50 ____ Adults & Children 12 or older
\$3.00 ____ Children age 3-11 (meal above) or
\$3.00 ____ Children 3- 11 (PBJ/Applesauce)
\$6.50 ____ To Go Orders (reservation required)

Cost: Excluding To Go orders, \$22 maximum for a family of 4—each additional family member over age 11 is \$5.50; age 3-11 \$3.00.

NAME: _____

You can pay online (thru the QR code) or via website or pay on Wednesday night. You can tear off this tab to register, call the office and leave a message or register online.

Did You Know? Our program staff meets weekly for two hours or more on Tuesday. (Every other week the entire church staff has a meeting on Mondays.) Some of this time is directed towards calendar planning, detailed work for coordinating the worship services, scripture selections for worship along with studies for the children and youth. They review past events and plan upcoming events. They take time to share concerns and celebrations and pray. If you have a question or concern, or prayer request, please let one of our staff members know.

Beyond This Week:

- **Fifth Sunday** Breakfast, January 31 at 9:15; hosted by Pathfinders; Program: Matt Cary has a presentation on Liberia
- **Trustee's Meeting**, February 2, 6 pm, Conference Room
- **UMW General Meeting/Luncheon**, February 4, 10:00a/11:00a
- **Lent** begins this year on February 10, which is **Ash Wednesday**

WELCOME 1ST CHURCH GUESTS !

*"We hope you find worship here to be a way to experience the love of Jesus Christ."
--from pastor Jane Taylor speaking for all in the congregation*

For Your Information:

Restrooms are located directly behind the sanctuary. There is a **nursery** for children (infant to 4 yrs of age). Our ushers or greeters can lead or direct you there **if you desire**.

If you would like to consider **becoming a member** of our church family, we invite you to do so. Please speak to the pastor or indicate so on the attendance slip.

An **AED** is located in the **CONNECT-OR; TOP FLOOR**; go through door at the front and to the right side of sanctuary.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR SUMMARY JAN 24 - JAN 31, 2016

SUNDAY, JAN 24

9:15a Sunday School
10:30a Worship Service
Children, Youth, Leaders returning from RezKids/Resurrection
No 4:30 Program until February
5:30p Connections Pillar
5:30p Snack Supper Youth/Children
6:15p Evening Worship Service

MONDAY, JAN 25

11:00a Full Staff Meeting
7:00p Worship Pillar Mtg.
7:00p Boy Scouts - Troop #36
8:00p College/Young Adult Group

TUESDAY, JAN 26

4:00p Program Staff Meeting
7:00p Circle of Hope, Parlor

WEDNESDAY, JAN 27

5:45p Wednesday Night Fellowship
7:30p Chancel Choir Practice

THURSDAY, JAN 28

7:00p ELC Board Meeting

SATURDAY, JAN 30

10:00a Food Pantry Food Distribution
(Rescheduled from last week)

Next Week:

SUNDAY, JAN 31

9:15a **Fifth Sunday Breakfast**
Fellowship Hall
Bring a Breakfast Casserole or other morning favorite to share; Program: **Matt Cary - Presentation on Liberia**

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

USHERS: David Denny, Ben Peeples, Art Eckerson, Alan LeClair

GREETERS: Friendly 1stChurch People, TBA;

Also - if you would like to serve as a greeter, please call church office

PRAYER: Cathy Peeples

CROSSBEARER, ACOLYTE, BEADLE TBA Youth/Children at Pigeon Forge

AUDIOVISUAL: Ethan Morelock



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Reverend Jane Taylor, Pastor

January 24, 2016 10:30 am

Welcome! We are GLAD you are here.

Please sign the red attendance information pad located at one end of each pew.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: This day is holy to our Wise God!

People: We gather to listen for God's Word, to discern God's will, and to worship with God's people.

Leader: This day is holy to our Joyful God!

People: We are members of Christ's body, Christ's family and Christ's church.

Leader: This day is holy to our Powerful God!

People: The Spirit of God is upon us, and we have been anointed to bring good news to our community.

Leader: This day is holy to our Loving God!

People: May the words in our mouths and the thoughts in our hearts delight You, O God.

INVOCATION

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing" **No. 57**

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

Leader: Merciful God, we confess that we have failed to live as we have been taught in Holy Scripture.

People: We have found Your law of love to be an inconvenience and a burden, so we have made our own rules and lived for ourselves.

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

People: We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed 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: Remold us, and make us like our Savior, Jesus Christ. Make us beacons of faith and loyalty to You and to our community as we care, forgive, love and serve.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: In spite of our sin, God hears our prayer, and restores us to our place in the body of Christ. My friend, believe the good news of the Gospel.

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

OLD TESTAMENT READING Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

MORNING PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, Which 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** "Thy Word Is a Lamp" **No. 601**

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY and ANTHEM "Lord Most High" Chancel Choir

**From the ends of the earth, from the depths of the sea;
From the heights of the heavens Your name be praised.
From the hearts of the weak, from the shouts of the strong;
From the lips of all people this song we raise, Lord!**

**Throughout the endless ages You will be crowned with praises,
Lord most high.
Exalted in every nation, Sovereign of all creation,
Lord most high, be glorified.**

**His glorious name shall be called Wonderful,
His matchless name shall be called Counselor.
The mighty God, the everlasting Father,
The Prince of Peace through all eternity.**

***DOXOLOGY** **No. 94**

***GOSPEL LESSON** Luke 4:14-21

MUSIC Audio/Video "The Sound of Silence"

SERMON "The Sound of Silence" Steve Gross
(Rev. Taylor is attending Resurrection and RezKids with the youth and children)

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** "Are Ye Able" **No. 530**

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**
*O fill me with Thy fullness, Lord, until my very heart o'erflow
In kindling thought and glowing word,
Thy love to tell, Thy praise to show.*

***A TIME FOR GREETING ONE ANOTHER**

The Building Fund

Planning Forward
BEING READY
Stewardship for the Future

**Thank You
1st Church!**

The Finance Committee would like to once again thank everyone who helped eliminate our debt in 2015. We have established an account for our church

called **The Building Fund** with the purpose of preparing ahead of time for future building and property expenses. Contributions are now being accepted as we look to the needs of our church beyond 2016.



PRAYER CONCERNS

Clare Warren & family	Mary McClellan	Sara Jane Jones
Jane Eddy and her parents	Barbara Marrs	Subratha Chattotadhya
Bonnie and Clay Marrs	Sue Zabala	and wife Mallory
Amy Dryburgh	Linda Stanley	Leadership of International
Bobbie Wells	Capt. Chris Carin, US Army	Christian Fellowship JC
Aldon and Betty Speer	Jerry Elliot	Joshua Gbaa/Mission to
Chuck Short	Darrell Wayne Tilson	Liberia
Sue McGaha	Helen Tilson	Children and Families at
Jaimee Norman	Jim Brant	RezKids Jan 23-24
Vivian Eckerson	Nancy Jewell	Youth and Leaders at
Tom and Shirley Palmer	Jessica Higginbotham	Resurrection 2016
Carroll Waterbury	Dillon Aagenes	Jan 22-24
Mark Dollar	Helen Holyfield	Susan Ready

Jan. 24, 2016 Prayer Requests

Publish in bulletin? __Y __N

Requested by:

Sunday Evening Worship at 6:15

More of what it isn't; what it is:

It is not - formal, just for kids, scary loud music, but it is also not quiet either

It is not - just another activity for children and youth;

It is not - a performance or talent show; just for fun or social time

It is - a time for all of God's children to come together in community; explore and discover God's Word; sing songs of praise and wonder; and share prayer time

It is - a Sabbath moment; **join us, be prepared, and find the love of Christ.** 1stChurch welcomes you!

ELECTRONIC GIVING AVAILABLE

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Year-to-Date	12/31/15
<u>Operating Funds</u>	
Revenues	730,569
Operating Expenses	518,195
Reduction In Loan Principal	208,152
Surplus /(Deficit)	4,222
Restoration Loan Bal	-0-