

Wednesday Night Fellowship

May 11, 2016 5:45 pm
Meal: Chicken Tenders, Mac & Cheese,
Green Beans, Salad Bar, Dessert
Program: Alpha Course
Presented by Art Eckerson

Reservations please by Tuesday 5/10
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: _____

Pay online (thru QR code) or via website or pay at door. To register tear off this tab , call the office and leave a message or go online.

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 CONNECTOR; TOP FLOOR; go through door at the front and to the right side of sanctuary.

Church Staff:

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WEEKLY CALENDAR SUMMARY

MAY 8 - 14, 2016

SUNDAY, MAY 8 MOTHER'S DAY

9:15a Sunday School
9:45a Coffee and Fellowship
Welcome Center at Gym Balcony
10:30a Worship Service
4:30p Children/Youth Program
5:30p Snack Supper Youth/Children
6:15p The Branch Evening Worship Service

MONDAY, MAY 9

11:00a Full Staff Meeting
6:30p Hess Studio Rehearsal/Sanctuary
7:00p Boy Scouts - Troop #36

TUESDAY, MAY 10

6:30p Girl Scout Troop #978
7:00p Church Council Mtg. - Conf. Rm.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

9:00a Intercessory Prayer Ministry
5:45p Wednesday Night Fellowship
7:30p Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, MAY 12

5:30p Hess Studio Rehearsal
7:30p East TN Int. Folk Dancers

FRIDAY, MAY 13

6:00p Hess Studio Recital - Sanctuary

SATURDAY, MAY 14

5:00p VBS Planning Meeting postponed

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

USHERS: David Denny, Calvin McMann, Roger Bailey, Frank Mohap
GREETERS: Novice Gross, Ann & Frank Mohap, Mark & Polly Crowder, Katie Mahoney
PRAYER: Ben Peeples **CROSSBEARER:** Chloe Cradic
ACOLYTES: Josie Roberts **BEADLE:** Jalen Pack
AUDIOVISUAL: John Cradic

Worship Guide and Church Life Information for May 8, 2016

Welcome to 1stChurch! We are glad you are here!



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

900 SPRING ST. JOHNSON CITY, TN 37604

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

MAY 8, 2016 10:30 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

Welcome and thank you to our guest pianist, Lisa Runner

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist

Leader: With voices united, let us make a joyful noise to the Lord.

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

Leader: God rules on High! Let the earth rejoice!

People: Tell the nations how great God is, 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** "Morning Has Broken" **No. 145/Screen**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE

Liturgist

Leader: O Lord, we have not lived as You intend us to live. You have called us to cast our crowns at the feet of our Savior,

People: but we have placed our crowns on hopelessness, fear and selfishness.

Leader: You desire to reign in our hearts and give us life abundant,

People: but we are ruled by our schedules and need for control.

Leader: You desire to be the King of our lives so that the world may know Your love,

People: but we make kings of the things we acquire and queens of our immediate desires.

2016 Holston Annual Conference

Hands-On Mission Project

GOAL FOR JC District
400 BackPacks with School Supplies

1STCHURCH FRIENDS - consider participating in this hands-on mission project either individually or as Sunday School Classes. **THANK YOU!**

Pack all items listed below in:

1- school backpack:

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

*novelty pack with pencils, erasers and sharpeners all in one are acceptable.

*(\$5 per kit should be donated - please attach to outside of the backpack.)
Due the end of May*

For Liberia

All: Forgive us, we pray. Teach us to love others as You love us. Make us one in Your Spirit so that we may be Your ministers of peace and unity in the world.

(A time for personal reflection)

Leader: God hears our prayers and by grace we are saved through faith. My friends, believe the good news of the Gospel,

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

NEW TESTAMENT READING Rev 21:9-10, 22-25; 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

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** "Beautiful One" **Screen**

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

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

***GOSPEL LESSON** John 17:20-26 Rev. Jane Taylor

ANTHEM "And Can It Be That I Should Gain?" Chancel Choir

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me who caused His pain, for me who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, should die for me?

He left His Father's throne above, so free, so infinite His grace.
Emptied Himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free, O praise my God, it reaches me.
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, should die for me?

No condemnation now I dread, Jesus, and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine.
Bold I approach the eternal throne, and claim the crown through Christ my own.
Amazing love! How can it be that Thou, my God, should die for me?

SERMON "The Tree of Life" Rev. Jane Taylor

***HYMN** "Be Thou My Vision" **No. 451**

***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.*

***GREETING ONE ANOTHER IN THE NAME OF CHRIST**



Our **First United Methodist Youth** will be taking a mission trip this summer to **Charleston, West Virginia.**

They will be doing some light construction work and also have the opportunity to river raft. The \$200.00 deposit is due May 25. There is a **parent meeting** for information concerning the trip on **May 15, at 4:30 pm.**

Calendar Summary Preview:

May 15 Applications due for Youth Director	June 5, 12, 19, 26 Combined Worship
May 28, June 25, July 23 Food Pantry	June 5-9 Holston Annual Conference
May 20, June 17, July 15 Melting Pot	June 11 VBS Planning
May 22 SPPRC hosts Lisa Reis Reception	June 13-17 Camp Bays Mountain Event
May 29 Fifth Sunday Breakfast	June 12 - 18 Youth Mission Trip
May 29 Senior/Graduate Reception	July 16-17 VBS Workdays
May 29-June 4 Family Promise Host Week	July 18-22 CaveQuest VBS
June 3-4 Blue Plum Parking Fundraiser	July 27 1stChurch at Cardinal Park
	July 31 ELC 30th year celebration

PRAYER CONCERNS

Clare Warren & family	Jerry Elliot	Kathie Tucker
Jane Eddy	Darrell Wayne Tilson	Ruth Sluder
Bonnie and Clay Marrs	Helen Tilson	Cameron Crawford
Amy Dryburgh	Jim Brant	Kallan Rogers
Bobbie Wells	Nancy Jewell	Jerry Collins
Aldon and Betty Speer	Jessica Higginbotham	Rachel Lanthorn
Chuck Short	Helen Holyfield	Brian Milby
Sue McGaha	Sara Jane Jones	Evelyn Moore
Jaimee Norman	Susan Ready	Justice Shafer and family
Tom Palmer and family	Catherine Cartus	Vance Eastridge
Mark Dollar	Betty Gouge	Bobby Pleasant
Mary McClellan	Judy Rust	Elizabeth Bailey
Barbara Marrs	Sam Arnold	Charlie Williams
Sue Zabala	Kristy Hodge Pratt	
Linda Stanley	Vickie Stephenson	
Carrie Denny	Maddie Woosley	

May 8, 2016 Prayer Requests
Publish in bulletin? Y N

Requested by:

Your "Church Bulletin"
- A Worship Guide and More

The worship team does not want announcements of activities or reports and other information to interfere with worship. After all, we are here during this hour to worship God Who loves us more than we could ever imagine.

But our bulletin can be more than a guide. The announcements, calendar and other listings provide information vital to the life of our church. Many who are visited by our staff and others are glad to have a glimpse into 1stChurch life as well as a prayer list.

If your church group has items to include in the bulletin , please submit the information to the church office by Wednesday. Then share 1stChurch with others by sharing the bulletin.

CAVEQUEST VBS MEETING

Saturday June 11 at 5:00 pm
We need more volunteers! Join Us!

The May and June meeting have been combined into one meeting in June. Much work is being done to plan ahead for Bible School this year. Find a place to serve this ministry. See Bree Nelson or Aimee Aiken!

Year-to-Date	4/30/2016
<u>Operating Funds</u>	
Revenues	160,335
Operating Expenses	194,445
Surplus /(Deficit)	(34,110)