

# G.I.V.E.

- G**enerosity
  - I**nvest the God-given gifts and talents
  - V**isualize the future
  - E**ncourage and enhance growth
- [Stewardship Emphasis 2016-17](#)

**Louisiana Flooding:** UMCOR is there; relief is there; but more help will be needed; they need our support for many months to come; we will coordinate efforts with UMCOR and provide information on how you can help soon.

## **Coming Soon (September 7) to a Fellowship Hall near You!**

**Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal**  
 Watch for details and the reservation tab here in the bulletin next week. The program: a **Musical Extravaganza** directed by Randy Adams. Don't miss this!

## **FAMILY PROMISE**

It is not too late to volunteer to help host or help with Family Promise! Our host week is September 18 - 24! **Contact the church office or Scott Huff or Chris Berning.**

### Sermon Notes

## **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:**

**Rev. Jane Taylor, Pastor**  
**Email: jane.taylor@1stchurchjc.org**  
 Billy Walker, Dir. of Worship & Music  
 Kathie Battista, ELC Director  
 Steve Reis, Dir. Community Outreach/  
 Discipleship  
 Bree Nelson, Dir. of Children's Ministries  
 Susan Dove Fields, Organist  
 Rhonda Simmons, Treasurer  
 David Gbaa, Custodian  
 Joshua Gbaa, Custodian  
 Finley Cook, Wednesday Night Chef  
 Christi Henn, Tabitha Cox, Nursery  
**Website: www.1stChurchJC.org**  
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### **SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:**

**USHERS:** Ben Peeples, David Denny, Art Eckerson, Alan LeClair  
**GREETERS:** Jamee Roberts, Brian & Cathie Rosecrance, Bonnie Sampson, Joanne Peterson  
**PRAYER:** Ben Peeples **CROSSBEARER:** Josie Roberts  
**ACOLYTES:** Claudia Davidson **BEADLE:** Jalen Pack  
**AUDIOVISUAL:** Karl Kapoor

## **WEEKLY CALENDAR SUMMARY AUGUST 28 - SEPTEMBER 3, 2016**

### **SUNDAY, AUG 28**

9:15a Sunday School  
 9:45a Coffee and Fellowship  
 Welcome Center at Gym Balcony  
 10:30a Worship Service  
 11:30a Reception for Bree Nelson/Parlor  
 4:30p Children's Choir/Youth Activity  
 5:30p Children/Youth Snack Supper  
 6:15p "The Branch" Evening Worship

### **MONDAY, AUG 29**

9:00a Staff Bible Study & Meeting  
 7:00p Boy Scouts - Troop #36

### **TUESDAY, AUG 30**

6:30p Girl Scout Troop #978

### **WEDNESDAY, AUG 31**

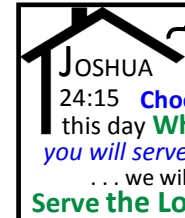
6:00p Supper Around Town  
 7:30p Chancel Choir

### **THURSDAY, SEPT 1**

10:00a UMW Circle of Faith - Conf. Rm.  
 5:30p Girls Basketball Team - Gym  
 6:30p Finance Committee  
 7:00p East Tn Int. Folk Dancers - Gym

### **Beyond this Week:**

Sept 7 Wednesday Night Program begins  
 Sept 8 **New Bible Study** at the Neighborhood Center - led by Steve Reis  
 Sept 12 **New Women's Bible Study** - Rev. Jane Taylor - Disciple FastTrack  
 Sept 18-24 **Family Promise Host Week** at 1stChurch



## **FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

900 SPRING ST. JOHNSON CITY, TN 37604

**Worship Guide & Church Life Information Bulletin**  
 Welcome to 1stChurch! We are glad you are here!  
 Please sign the RED registration pad at one end of each pew.

## **THE ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**August 28, 2016 10:30 AM**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING**

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Leader:** Friends, you could have stayed in bed. You could be eating breakfast out.

**People:** **We have chosen to be in this place. We have chosen to feast on God's words.**

**Leader:** You could be sitting alone reading the paper.

**People:** **We have chosen to learn from our God and dwell on God's goodness.**

**Leader:** You could be chasing after the world's idols. You could be listening to television's talking heads.

**People:** **We have chosen to worship and serve the one true and living God, Who blesses us with life - now and forever.**

**Leader:** You have chosen wisely. Let us pray.

#### **INVOCATION**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** "Come, Thou Almighty King" **UMH No. 61**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF PARDON** Liturgist

**Leader:** Sovereign God, You call us to walk in fullness of life with You,

**People:** **but our hearts turn away as we explore all the narrow side streets that attract our attention.**

**Leader:** You call us to love You with all our hearts,

**People:** **but we find ourselves preoccupied with our desire for success and power.**

**Leader:** You call us to take up our cross and participate in works of grace and mercy,

**People:** **but we make plans we cannot complete and promises we**

**will not fulfill.**

Leader: Have mercy on us, O God.

**People: Have mercy on us. Call us again to discipleship. Strengthen us to follow where You lead, and to live as You intend us to live.**

*(A time for personal reflection)*

Leader: The One Who loves us with unconditional love hears our prayer and looks on us with mercy and grace. Repent and believe the Good News of the Gospel:

**People: Through Jesus Christ, Who gave His all for us, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**OLD TESTAMENT READING** Joshua 24:14-15, 19, 21

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM**

***Carter Marrs Paduch***

Parents: Andrew and Elizabeth Paduch  
Grandparents: Steven C. Marrs and Ben Paduch  
01/22/16



***Steven Charles Marrs Kipfer***

Parents: Curtis and Victoria Kipfer  
Grandparents Steven C. Marrs and Charles & Patrica Kipfer  
03/11/16



***Addison Renee Marrs Bowling*** and ***Annabelle Lynne Marrs Bowling***

Parents: Andrew and Alexandra Bowling  
Sister: Ava Grace Marrs Bowling  
Grandparents: Steven C. Marrs and Richard & Heidi Bowling  
03/22/16

**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** "Mighty to Save" **Supplement No. 3038 and Screen**

**OFFERTORY** "Come Ye Disconsolate" arr. Mark Hayes

**\*DOXOLOGY** **UMH No. 94**

**\*GOSPEL READING** Luke 12:49-56 Rev. Jane Taylor

**ANTHEM** "Psalm of Trust" Chancel Choir

**SERMON** Rev. Jane Taylor

**\*HYMN** "Jesus Calls Us" **UMH No. 398**

**\*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.**



*The First United Methodist Church family extends sympathy and prayers for comfort to the friends and family of Sue McGaha, who passed away on August 21, 2016*



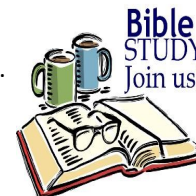
*The First United Methodist Church family extends sympathy and prayers for comfort to the friends and family of Lou Falls, who passed away on August 25, 2016*



***Bible Study Opportunities at 1stChurch:***

- (1) Mr. Steve Reis will lead a Bible Study in the Neighborhood Center beginning Thursday September 8 at 6:30 pm; bring a Bible; the study will also incorporate the book: "Subversive Jesus" by Craig Greenfield.
- (2) Rev. Jane Taylor will lead a Women's Bible Study beginning September 12 at 7:00 pm using the Disciple: "FastTrack" Series. Please pre-register ASAP in order for books to be purchased.

Child Care can be provided, but needs to be pre-arranged by contacting the group leaders.



**Prelude** for today inadvertently moved before printing front page: "Thee We Adore" arr. Robert Hebble

**August 28, 2016 Prayer Requests**  
Publish in bulletin?   Y   N

Requested by:

***Prayer List***

The McGaha Family	Jordin Hall Milano
The Eddy Family	Jessica Higginbotham
The Lou Falls Family	Delores Prest
Betty & Aldon Speer	April Hamilton
Mary McClellan	Our Czechia partners
Kristy Hodge Pratt	Cash Hicks
Carrie Denny	Helen Holyfield
Jean Thayer	Ralph & Joan Garland
Judy Story	Nancy Jewell
Barbara Marrs	Calvin Garland
Clay & Bonnie Marrs	Bobbie Wells

***Early Learning Center  
Tree Street Yard Sale Project:***

**September 10, 2016**

You do not have to live in the tree streets to have items in the yard sale! Both church parking lots will be used and divided into sections 2 lanes wide for a minimum \$20.00 donation. See Kathie Battista, call the church or ELC office.

**Use this QR Code to access online giving.**



<b>Year-to-Date</b>	<b>Thru 7/31/2016</b>
<u>Operating Funds</u>	
Revenues	308,934
Operating Expenses	326,364
Surplus/(Deficit)	(17,430)