

### **Wednesday Night Fellowship**

September 14, 2016 5:45 pm

**Meal:** Barbecue and Sides, Dessert

**Program:** *"When God Winks"*

led by **Jim Heaton**

**Reservations** please by Tuesday 9/13  
Indicate # of people:

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

**NEW THIS YEAR! Cost:** This year all meals will be paid by donation. A minimum of \$6.50 is requested for anyone who can pay for the meal. Additionally, 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 door. To register tear off this tab, call the office and leave a message or go online.

### **SENIOR ADULT GATHERING**

**Speaker/Storyteller:** Rev. Ray Amos, Sr.

**Devotion Leader:** Rev. Lloyd Jones

**Music:** Jeanie and Billy Walker

Thursday Sept. 22 10:00 am- 1:00 pm

Gray United Methodist Church

Cost: \$10.00; Questions: call 926-7533

Once monthly on Friday, some dedicated 1stchurch members prepare and serve a meal at the community Melting Pot.

★★★★ **THANK YOU!** ★★★★★

Would you like to help? Call the office!

## How can you give?

# 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

### **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. Outreach/Discipleship

Katie Uelhof, Dir. of Children's Ministries

Susan Davidson, Dir. Jr Hi Youth

Drew & Sharon Cradic, Volunteers for Sr. Hi

Susan Dove Fields, Organist

Rhonda Simmons, Treasurer

Jennifer Boarman, Bulletin Coordinator

David Gbaa, Custodian

Joshua Gbaa, Custodian

Finley Cook, Wednesday Night Chef

Christi Henn, Tabitha Cox, Nursery

**Website:** www.1stChurchJC.org

Phone: (423) 928-9222

### **WEEKLY CALENDAR SUMMARY**

**SEPTEMBER 11 - 17, 2016**

#### **SUNDAY, SEPT 11**

9:15a Sunday School

9:15a Coffee, Tea, & Time with Pastor  
(question and information session about 1stChurch membership)

9:45a Coffee and Fellowship

Welcome Center at Gym Balcony

10:30a Worship Service

4:30p Children's Choir/Youth Activity

5:30p Children/Youth Snack Supper

6:15p "The Branch" Evening Worship

#### **MONDAY, SET 12**

7:00p Boy Scouts - Troop #36

7:00p Women's Bible Study: Disciple  
FastTrack; led by Jane Taylor

#### **TUESDAY, SEPT 13**

5:30p Staff Bible Study & Meeting

6:30p Girl Scout Troop #978

7:00p Church Council Meeting

#### **WEDNESDAY, SEPT 14**

9:00a Intercessory Prayer Ministry

5:45p Wednesday Night Fellowship

7:30p Chancel Choir

#### **THURSDAY, SEPT 15**

5:30p Girls Basketball Team - Gym

6:30p Bible Study at Neighborhood Ctr

6:30p Grace Team Meeting - Conf. Rm.

7:00p Communication Pillar Meeting

7:00p East Tn Int. Folk Dancers - Gym

#### **FRIDAY, SEPT 16**

10:00a 1stChurch Serves at Melting Pot

#### **Beyond this Week:**

Sept 18-24 **Family Promise Host Week** at 1stChurch

#### **SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:**

**USHERS:** David Denny, Calvin McMann, Roger Bailey, Frank Mohap

**GREETERS:** Novice Gross, Ann & Frank Mohap, Donna Robbins,  
Katie Mahoney

**PRAYER:** Joann Boyd **CROSSBEARER:** Molly Huff

**ACOLYTES:** Hank Berning **BEADLE:** Zane Huff

**AUDIOVISUAL:** Jeff Crowder



## **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**

September 11, 2016 10:30 AM

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING**

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: O come, let us sing to the Lord!

**People: Let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation.**

Leader: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving.

**People: Let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise.**

Leader: Come, let us worship Him and bow down.

**People: Let us kneel before the Lord Who made us, because He is our God.**

Leader: Let us pray together:

**All: God of grace, You have given us minds to know You, hearts to love You, and voices to sing Your praise.**

**Fill us with Your Spirit, that we may celebrate Your glory, and worship You in spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#### **INVOCATION**

\*HYMN

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

UMH No. 66

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION and ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Liturgist

Leader: Although we believe that we are experts at faithfulness, we must confess that we are unskilled workers at doing good.

**People: As we go through life, we get wrapped up in our own**

**affairs, and our careless decisions are not always true and honorable.**

Leader: In order "to get ahead", and "stay on top", our motives are not always pure and beautiful.

**People: We sometimes think too highly of ourselves, so we fail to treat other people rightly and with respect.**

Leader: With humble hearts we seek Your forgiveness, Holy God.

**People: We apologize for not reflecting Your grace and mercy to everyone around us. Teach us to live praiseworthy lives, so that our actions may bring honor and glory solely to Your Name.**

*(A time for personal reflection)*

Leader: God, Who knows hearts, has unlimited patience and lends us His mercy. My friends, believe the Truth of the Gospel.

**People: Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners, and through Him, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**NEW TESTAMENT READING** 1 Timothy 1:12-17

**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** "You Are My King" **Supplement No. 3102 & Screen**

**OFFERTORY**

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

**\*GOSPEL READING** Luke 15:1-10 Rev. Jane Taylor

**ANTHEM** "The Lord Is My Shepherd" Chancel Choir

The Lord is my Shepherd, nothing shall I want.  
My Shepherd makes me lie in fields of green, leads me beside still waters.  
The Lord is my Shepherd Who restores my life.  
Leads me in the paths of righteousness for the sake of the Lord's name.  
And even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil, for You are with me, Your rod and staff will comfort me.  
You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies.  
You anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.  
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,  
And in the house of my God I will live forever.

**SERMON** "Complete Community" Rev. Jane Taylor

**\*HYMN** "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love" vs 1, 2, 3 **Insert**

**\*BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

*(verse 4) All praise to the Father, from Whom all things come,  
And all praise to Christ Jesus, God's only Son,  
And all praise to the Spirit, Who makes us one:  
And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love  
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.*

**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.**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR  
FAMILY PROMISE**  
Our host week is September 18 - 24!  
Contact the church office or Scott Huff  
or Chris Berning if you can help.  
**Online sign-up available on  
church website as well as email  
addresses for our coordinators.**  
**If you have never volunteered  
before, consider doubling up  
with someone - then the next  
time 1stChurch needs a host, you  
will be ready! Every person counts.**

**The wheels on the vans go  
round and round . . . . .**



**But we need  
DRIVERS & RIDERS**

Jesus asked the disciples to bring the children to Him. Help be one of the stepping stones to provide a caring and safe pathway to 1stChurch. See Billy Walker or Steve Reis. Volunteer for Sunday or Wednesday, to church or back home. An hour of your time can make a lifetime of difference.

**September 11, 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 April Hamilton  
Betty & Aldon Speer Cash Hicks  
Mary McClellan Helen Holyfield  
Kristy Hodge Pratt Ralph & Joan Garland  
Carrie Denny Nancy Jewell  
Jean Thayer Calvin Garland  
Judy Story Bobbie Wells  
Barbara Marrs Sharyn Lessly  
Clay & Bonnie Marrs Our Church Leaders  
Bill Carter

**Bible Study Opportunities  
at 1stChurch:**

- (1) Mr. Steve Reis is leading a Bible Study in the Neighborhood Center on Thursdays, at 6:30 pm; bring a Bible; the study will also incorporate the book: "Subversive Jesus" by Craig Greenfield.
- (2) Rev. Jane Taylor begins a Women's Bible Study September 12 at 7:00 pm using the Disciple: "FastTrack" Series.

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

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

