

Wednesday Night Fellowship

September 7, 2016 5:45 pm

Meal: Pork Loin, Potatoes, Green Beans, Bread, Salad Bar, Dessert

Program: *A Musical Extravaganza*

Directed by Randy Adams

Reservations please by Tuesday 9/6
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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 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.**

Online sign-up available on church website as well as email addresses for our coordinators.

SENIOR ADULT GATHERING

For You! Sponsored by the JC District

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 423.926.7533

Registration By Sept 15; Form is online at church website, Facebook or available in office.

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

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 4 - 10, 2016

SUNDAY, SEPT 4

9:15a Sunday School
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, SEPT 5

7:00p Boy Scouts - Troop #36

TUESDAY, SEPT 6

5:30p Staff Meeting & Bible Study
6:00p **Trustee's Meeting**
6:30p Girl Scout Troop #978

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 7

5:45p Wednesday Night Meal/Program
7:00p **Outreach Committee**
7:30p Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, SEPT 8

5:30p Girls Basketball Team - Gym
6:30p **Bible Study** at Neighborhood Ctr
7:00p East Tn Int. Folk Dancers - Gym

SATURDAY, SEPT 10

Tree Streets Yard Sale - both church parking lots in use for this event

Beyond this Week:

Sept 11 **Coffee, Tea & Time** with Pastor

Sept 12 **New Women's Bible Study** -
Rev. Jane Taylor - Disciple FastTrack

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

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

USHERS: Art Eckerson, David Denny, Jim Heaton, Mitch Robinson, Steve Love

GREETERS: Art Eckerson, Deborah & Marcus Grant, Mark & Polly Crowder, Kent & Midge Merrill

PRAYER: Cathy Peebles **CROSSBEARER:** Stephen Cradic

ACOLYTES: Avery Nelson & Hannah Haun **BEADLE:** Ellie Nelson

AUDIOVISUAL: Andy Nelson



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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 4, 2016 10:30 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

PRELUDE "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" arr. Lloyd Larson

CALL TO WORSHIP Liturgist

Leader: Our gracious God blesses us and invites us into His presence today.

People: We come in our weakness, seeking God's strength and goodness.

Leader: A feast has been prepared for us by the One Who loves us.

People: In humility and gratitude, we place our trust in God's grace and mercy.

Leader: Let us offer our praise to the Lord our God.

People: We offer all that we are to the God Who saves us.

INVOCATION

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Holy, Holy, Holy" **UMH No. 64**

***CONFESSION OF FAITH** Liturgist

Leader: It is good, as children of God, to express to the world what we believe. Friends, do you believe in God the Father?

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Leader: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

All: I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was

crucified, died, and was buried. On the third day, He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Leader: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

All: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI *(all sing)*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.

NEW TESTAMENT READING Hebrews 13:1-8;15-16

MORNING PRAYER Rev. Jane Taylor

***HYMN of REFLECTION** "Table of Plenty" **Supplement No. 3173**

OFFERTORY "Beach Spring" arr. Charles Callahan

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

***GOSPEL READING** Luke 14:1, 7-14 Rev. Jane Taylor

ANTHEM "Come to the Table" Chancel Choir

Come to the table and bring your joy, bring all your gladness and come. Come to the table. Eat the bread, drink the wine, come rejoice in the Lord.

Bring all your sorrow, bring all your pain, bring all the heartaches you bear. Bring all you are and hope to become, come to the table and share.

Come to the table, remember Christ, remember His love when you come. Come to the table. Come in faith, come to serve, come rejoice in the Lord.

Share in the bread, share in the wine, share in the risen Lord. Share as a family, one in community, one in the name of the Lord.

Come to the table to follow Christ forgiven and free, you must come. Come to the table. Come in faith, come in love, come rejoice in the Lord.

SERMON "To Be a Blessing" Rev. Jane Taylor

SERVICE of WORD and TABLE *All are welcome to Christ's Table*

THE LORD'S PRAYER *Join us in praying together:*

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 COMMITMENT** "Here I Am, Lord" **UMH No. 593**

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

Here I am, Lord. Is it I Lord? I have heard You calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if You lead me. I will hold Your people in my heart.

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.

MISSIONS

Food Pantry - keep those donations and dry goods/ paper products supplies coming in; call office for more info!

Operation Christmas Child Start getting ready now to fill shoeboxes with love

Clare's Closet A 1stChurch Ministry See insert in next week's bulletin about items/dates for Clare's Closet.

Back Packs for Liberia - the 2017 Holston Conference Hands-On Mission Project; See office, Facebook page or website for a list of school supply items to fill the backpacks.

Bible Study Opportunities at 1stChurch: Begins This Week and Next Week!

- 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.
- 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.



September 4, 2016 Prayer Requests
Publish in bulletin? __Y __N

Requested by:

Prayer List

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

Tree Street Yard Sale: you can donate \$20.00 to **Early Learning Center** and have a place in the parking lots of our church to hold your very own **yard sale**. Call ELC at 926-0700 or church office 928-9222.

ARE YOU?

Do you have questions about 1stChurch?
Are you interested in church membership?
Would you like a caring church family?

Rev. Taylor and Steve Reis will host a "Coffee, Tea and Time with the Pastor" on September 11, 2016 (next Sunday) at 9:15 am on the balcony. If you would like to meet with several others who are interested in church membership, please come to the balcony. Need directions? Ask an usher today.

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

