

Wednesday Night Fellowship

October 18, 2017 5:45 pm

Menu: Pork loin, potatoes, green beans, salad bar, bread, dessert

Program: Judas, presented by Ben Peeples

Reservations by Tuesday 10/17 **at noon**

Indicate # of people:

___Adults & children over 12

___Children age 3-11 (meal above)

___Children 3-11 (PBJ/applesauce)

___to go orders (reservation required)

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. 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 the door. To register, tear off this tab and place in offering plate, call the office or go online.

Year-to-Date Operating Funds as of 9/30/17

Revenues	375,745
Operating Expenses	421,721
Surplus/(Deficit)	(45,976)

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



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WEEKLY CALENDAR
OCTOBER 15-21, 2017

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15

9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Worship Service
3:00 Youth Leadership Council
4:30 Children & Youth Activities
5:30 Children & Youth Snack Supper
6:15 The Branch

MONDAY, OCTOBER 16

6:00 Women's Bible Study
6:00 Men's Bible Study
6:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers
7:00 Women's Peace Initiative of NE TN - Fellowship Hall
7:00 Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

5:00 Staff Meeting
6:00 Connections Pillar Meeting
6:00 Girls' bball team practice- gym
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18
5:45 Wednesday Night Fellowship dinner & programming

6:15 Children's Choir
6:15 Children & Youth Activities
7:30 Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19

6:00 Girl Scout Troop #978
6:30 Connections/Communications Pillar Meeting
7:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers- gym

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20

10:00 FUMC serves at the Melting Pot

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

Love JC United Day

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

USHERS: David Denny, Ernie Walker, Ken Talley, Dale Schmitt
GREETERS: Brian & Cathie Rosecrance, Mark & Polly Crowder, Kent & Midge Merrill, Art Eckerson

PRAYER: Novice Gross **CROSSBEARER:** Taylor Nichols

ACOLYTE: Alex Uelhof **BEADLE:** Sammi Uelhof

AUDIOVISUAL: Ethan Morelock



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Worship Guide & Church Life Information Bulletin

Welcome to 1st Church! We are glad you are here.

Please sign the red registration pad at one end of each pew.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 15, 2017

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: With great rejoicing, we come to the house of the Lord today!

People: For God is our refuge and our stronghold.

Leader: Rejoice, knowing that God has always and will always be with us.

People: In faith, we place our whole trust in God's mighty compassion.

Leader: Let us worship the Lord in confidence and peace.

People: We open our hearts to God's incredible love.

INVOCATION

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart" No. 160

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

Leader: We confess, O Lord, that we struggle with choosing between following You and following our own desires.

People: We lack the faith needed to trust that You will take care of us in all things.

Leader: We seek our own comfort and miss opportunities to witness as Your disciples.

People: We are too self-centered to notice the hurts and needs of those around us.

Leader: We are too stubborn to admit that our choices bring pain to others.

People: We are too self-righteous to forgive those who have brought pain to us.

Leader: We are quick to judge and slow to show compassion.

People: We fail to share Your grace, mercy, and love to all people.

Leader: We are sorry, Lord, for the times we fail to live as You want us to live.

People: Please forgive us. Teach us the joy of living as servants of Jesus our Lord.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: Even though we have wandered away, God has reconciled us to Himself through Christ, who knew no sin, but became sin for us. That is the good news of the Gospel.

People: Our hearts are amazed at the wondrous ways God loves and forgives. Thanks be to God for His unfailing grace. AMEN

NEW TESTAMENT READING Philippians 4:4-9

MORNING PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father, who 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** “How Great is Our God” Words on Screen

THOUGHTS ON STEWARDSHIP Pat Faber

OFFERTORY

***DOXOLOGY** No. 94

GOSPEL READING Matthew 22:1-14

ANTHEM

“How Blest We Are”

How blest we are to give given grace.

Grace from God the Father, grace from God the Son,

Grace from God the Spirit, the Holy Three in One.

How blest we are to give given mercy.

Mercy from God the Father, mercy from God the Son,

Mercy from God the Spirit, the Holy Three in One.

How blest we are to give given peace.

Peace from God the Father, peace from God the Son,

Peace from God the Spirit, the Holy Three in One.

Grace, mercy, and peace from the holy Three in One.

SERMON “Comfort the Afflicted and Afflict the Comfortable” Rev. Jane Taylor

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** “Christ for the World We Sing” No. 568

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

O fill me with Thy fullness, Lord, until my very heart o’erflow

With kindling thought and glowing word, Thy love to tell, Thy praise to show.

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.

Trunk or Treat: Oct. 29th, 4:30-6:00

1st Church will host a Trunk or Treat in the Pine Street parking lot. You can help by hosting a trunk and/or donating candy. Bring candy to the church office and contact Steve Reis if you plan to host a trunk.

This year’s pledge cards will be available for pickup during the 5th Sunday breakfast and in the narthex on October 29. Please pick yours up then and fill it out. We will turn them in at a special ceremony during the worship service on November 12.

Fifth Sunday Breakfast

Make plans to join us for Fifth Sunday Breakfast on October 29th! The youth will once again be hosting a waffle bar. The money raised will go toward the cost of the fall retreat and Resurrection. Bring a donation and support our youth!

Lay Servant Training

The Johnson City District Lay Servant Training event for fall 2017 will be held at Gray United Methodist Church on Saturday, November 11 from 8:30-4:30. Registration fee of \$25 is due by Monday, October 30. For more information, please contact Dell Gates at (423)915-0855, (423)416-0184, or wgates37686@gmail.com

We need your help! Please make sure that if you use something or move something around the church that it gets returned to the proper place when you are finished with it. Thank you!

Longtime church member Mrs. Helen Holyfield is turning 100 years old on October 28th! We would like to show her our love by showering her with birthday cards. We will collect the cards in the church office to be delivered. Please bring them no later than October 25.

October 15, 2017 Prayer Requests

Publish in bulletin? Y___ N___

Requested by _____

Prayer list:

Betty & Aldon Speer	Catherine Cartus
Mary McClellan	Tom Palmer
Kristy Hodge Pratt	Carrol Waterbury
Barbara Marrs	Kevin Jones
Bonnie Marrs	Carrie Denny
Elizabeth Bailey	Judy Rust
Harold Greene	Harold Phillips
Helen Holyfield	Janie Peterson
Dot Woodby	Bob & Dee Lentz
Bill Peebles	Marilyn Maddox
Mack Peterson	Parker Boles
Ralph & Joan Garland	Scott Saylor
Nancy Jewell	Carolyn Wood
Bobbie Wells	Brett Patterson & Jessie Hall
Marian Cocke	Joan Tansil
Elizabeth Wells	Bobby & Viola Seay
Willie Hughes	Sue Speer
Clare Warren & parents	Jo Cross
Howard Smith	Our church
Phyllis Eorgan	Our nation
	Calvin Garland

Young at Heart

The Young at Heart group will travel to Burnsville, NC for a day of fun and fellowship on Thursday, October 26. Meet at church at 10:00 to leave no later than 10:15. Please sign up below and drop in the offering plate.

Name(s) _____