

### Wednesday Night Fellowship

September 20, 2017 5:45 pm

**Menu:** Firehouse barbecue, beans, slaw

**Program:** Finding the Apostle in All of us: 12 Ordinary Men

Reservations by Tuesday 9/19 **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 8/31/17

Revenues	330,315
Operating Expenses	382,970
Surplus/(Deficit)	(52,655)

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



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### WEEKLY CALENDAR

**SEPTEMBER 17-23, 2017**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17**

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, SEPTEMBER 18**

7:00 Boy Scouts  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19**  
10:00 JC District Clergy Meeting at District Office  
5:00 Staff Meeting

6:00 Girls' bball team practice— gym

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20**

5:45 Wednesday Night Fellowship dinner & programming  
6:15 Children's Choir  
6:15 Children & Youth Activities  
7:30 Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21**

10:00 Senior Adult Gathering at Elizabethton FUMC  
6:00 Girl Scout Troop #978  
6:30 Connections/Communications Pillar Meeting  
7:00 Love JC United Crew Leaders  
7:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers— gym

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

10:00 Community Mission Food Distribution  
10:00 Youth Leadership Retreat at Bays Mountain

### SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

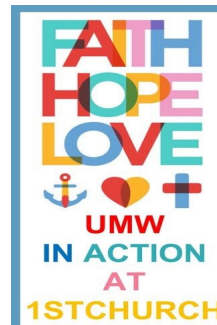
**USHERS:** Kathy Huff, Katie Keinath, Susan Davidson, Michelle Cradic

**GREETERS:** Art Eckerson, Brian & Cathie Rosecrance, Mark & Polly Crowder, Kent & Midge Merrill

**PRAYER:** Steve Gross **CROSSBEARER:** Jaliyah Woods

**ACOLYTE:** Josie Roberts **BEADLE:** Sammi Uelhof

**AUDIOVISUAL:** Karl Kapoor



## First United Methodist Church

900 Spring Street Johnson City, TN 37604

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

**September 17, 2017**

**Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**United Methodist Women Sunday**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

**PRELUDE** "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" Arr. Fred Bock

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord! God rescues us when we fall!

**People: Rejoice in the Lord! God walks with us on life's journey!**

Leader: Rejoice, for God lifts us when we stumble and places us on paths of peace.

**People: Rejoice, for God finds us when we stray and brings us back to lives of hope.**

Leader: Rejoice and sing praise to God, whose love is continually with us.

**People: Rejoice and sing praise to God, whose mercy is over us all.**

### INVOCATION

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" No. 126

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

Leader: Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God.

**People: Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love.**

Leader: Jesus came to show us God's love, and to call us to love one another as He loves us. Let us pray.

**People: Our Father, it is easy to say that we ought to love one another as You love us. We confess that it is not always an easy thing to do, and that we often choose not to do it.**

Leader: We confess that in our homes, in our work, and in our church, our words and actions are not always grounded in love.

**People: We confess that our desire for power, influence, and things keeps us from having the best interest of others in mind.**

Leader: Fill our hearts anew with Your love, O God.

**People: Turn us away from anything that causes pain for You or our sisters and brothers.**

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: May Jesus' commandment to love become the chief desire of our hearts. Hear and believe the good news of the Gospel:

**People: God offers us forgiveness through His Son, Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God. Amen!**

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN** Nancy Honeycutt, Co-President

**NEW TESTAMENT READING** Romans 16:1-5

**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** "Forever" Words on Screen

**OFFERTORY** "Rejoice, the Lord is King" Arr. Jan Sanborn

**\*DOXOLOGY** No. 94

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**

Philippians 4:4-7

**ANTHEM**

"Hush! Somebody's Callin' My Name"

*Hush, hush, somebody's callin' my name.*

*Oh, my Lord, oh, my Lord, what shall I do?*

*I'm so glad that trouble don't last always.*

*Oh, my Lord, oh, my Lord, what shall I do?*

*I'm so glad I got my religion in time.*

*Oh, my Lord, oh, my Lord, what shall I do?*

*Soon one morning' death come creepin' in my room.*

*Oh, my Lord, oh, my Lord, what shall I do?*

**SERMON**

"Rejoice in the Lord"

Rev. Lauri Jo Cranford, District Superintendent

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

"Lord, Speak to Me"

No. 463

**\*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.**



**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: TODAY!**

Please be aware that in order to participate in the volunteer event, "Love JC United," you must register by today. If you don't have a brochure/registration form there are extras in the narthex and in Sunday School

classrooms. Please register for a lunch and indicate if you would like a T-shirt (payable with your registration.) This is a community volunteer event coordinated by FUMC, Antioch Baptist, & Grandview Christian churches to be held on October 21st. Come out and express the love of Christ with your time to our community schools, non-profits and those neighbors having needs. Place your registration in the offering plate, the church office, or register at www.1stchurchjc.org

*The Chancel flowers today are given in memory of Anna Elizabeth Love by her parents, Steve and Luanne Love.*

Thank you to the following UMW members who participated in this service: Anna Kapoor, Judy Story, Nancy McMann, Kathy Huff, Michelle Cradic, Katie Keinath, Susan Davidson, and Nancy Honeycutt.

September 17, 2017 Prayer Requests

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Requested by \_\_\_\_\_

**Prayer list:**

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|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Betty & Aldon Speer    | Catherine Cartus               |
| Mary McClellan         | Eddie Gentry                   |
| Kristy Hodge Pratt     | Tom Palmer                     |
| Barbara Marrs          | Carrol Waterbury               |
| Bonnie Marrs           | Frank Stuckey                  |
| Elizabeth Bailey       | Amanda Dean & Justin Steinmann |
| Tony Gentry            | Betty Jones Gouge & Eric Gouge |
| Harold Greene          | Kevin Jones                    |
| Helen Holyfield        | Carrie Denny                   |
| Dot Woodby             | Judy Rust                      |
| Bill Peebles           | Harold Phillips                |
| Mack Peterson          | Janie Peterson                 |
| Ralph & Joan Garland   | Bob & Dee Lentz                |
| Nancy Jewell           | Marilyn Maddox                 |
| Bobbie Wells           | Parker Boles                   |
| Marian Cocke           | Scott Saylor                   |
| Elizabeth Wells        | Jerry Collins                  |
| Willie Hughes          | Family of Lisa Mazza Cloyd     |
| Clare Warren & parents | Carolyn Wood                   |
| Howard Smith           | Brett Patterson & Jessie Hall  |
| Steven Smith           | Don & Joan Tansil              |
| Phyllis Eorgan         | Bobby & Viola Seay             |
|                        | Sue Speer                      |

Women's Bible Study will start Monday, October 2 at 6 pm. It will go for 8 weeks (finishing by Thanksgiving and starting back after Christmas.) The first study will be Children of the Day, 1 & 2 Thessalonians by Beth Moore. Books are available.