

Wednesday Night Fellowship

February 21, 2018 5:45 pm

Menu: Chicken pot pie, apples, salad bar, bread, dessert

Program: Women & Faith: the Role of Women in Strengthening Faith, led by Bill Carter

Reservations by Tuesday 2/20 **at noon**

Indicate # of people:

___ Adults & children over 12

___ Children age 3-11 (meal above)

___ Children 3-11 (PB&J/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.

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



2017 Operating Funds Summary as of 12/31/17

Revenues	549,324
Operating Expenses	552,202
Surplus/(Deficit)	(2,879)

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

FEBRUARY 18-24, 2018

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

9:15 Sunday School
 10:30 Worship Service
 4:30 Bible Journaling Group
 4:30 Children & Youth Activities
 5:30 Children & Youth Snack Supper

6:15 The Branch

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19

7:00 Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

4:30 Staff Meeting

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

6:00 Girl Scout Troop #978
 6:00 College-Age Women's Group-parlor
 7:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers-gym

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

10:00 Community Mission Food Distribution

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

USHERS: David Denny, Ernie Walker, Ken Talley, Dale Schmitt
GREETERS: Jamee Roberts, Ann Mohap, Bonnie Sampson, Joanne Peterson
PRAYER: Fran Waterbury **CROSSBEARER:** Hank Berning
ACOLYTE: Avery Nelson **BEADLE:** Ellie Nelson
AUDIOVISUAL: Karl Kapoor

First United Methodist Church



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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

February 18, 2018

The First Sunday of Lent

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

PRELUDE "How Fair and How Pleasant Art Thou" Marcel Dupre

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We come on this first Sunday of Lent to worship, to renew our faith, and to examine our discipleship.

People: We leave behind the cares of the world to be still and to listen, for we are entering a holy time.

Leader: The journey to the cross was difficult for our Savior, Jesus.

People: The journey will be difficult for us, as we try to put aside all that keeps us from being followers of Jesus.

Leader: Put your hearts at ease, for we will never journey alone.

People: We will step out in faith to follow where Jesus leads us.

INVOCATION

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" No. 269

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

Leader: Lord, the temptations of the world loom large before us and we are so easily sweet-talked into moving from lives of service to lives of self-centeredness.

People: We need Your forgiveness, because we make anything and everything a larger priority than growing deeper in faith and in knowledge of Jesus.

Leader: We need Your forgiveness when we choose to live contrary to Your will.

People: We need Your forgiveness when we choose the best of things for ourselves, while closing our hearts to the needs of others.

Leader: We seek Your guidance as we wander through our own personal wilderness.

People: Send Your Spirit to heal us, and to prepare us for a journey of discipleship and faithfulness.

(a time of silent prayer and reflection)

Leader: You are loved by God! And in that love rests all safety, security, comfort, and hope. My friends, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God! AMEN

NEW TESTAMENT READING 1 Peter 3:18-22

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Brad Thornberry

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** "Cornerstone" Words on Screen

OFFERTORY "Ah, Holy Jesus" Helmut Walcha

***DOXOLOGY** No. 95

***GOSPEL LESSON** Mark 1:9-15

ANTHEM "Take the World, But Give Me Jesus"

*Take the world, but give me Jesus, all its joys are but a name;
But His love abides forever, through eternal years the same.
Take the world, but give me Jesus, sweetest comfort of my soul;
With my Savior watching o'er me, I can sing though billows roll.*

*Oh, the height and depth of mercy! Oh, the wideness of His care!
Give me Jesus, only Jesus, none on earth can compare.*

*Take the world, but give me Jesus, let me view His constant smile;
Then throughout my pilgrim journey light will cheer me all the while.
Take the world, but give me Jesus, in His cross my trust shall be;
Till, with clearer, brighter vision, face to face my Lord I see.*

SERMON "Journey Through Temptation" Rev. Jane Taylor

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** "Take Time to Be Holy" No. 395

***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.

***POSTLUDE** "Jesus, Priceless Treasure" J.S. Bach

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.

David Runner, guest organist

1st Church Softball Team

Kristen Clements & her dad, Cal Klem, are organizing an FUMC softball team to play in the upcoming church league. This will be a co-ed team ages 16 & up. Contact the church office at 928-9222 or email kelements@gmail.com to sign up. The season begins in late April.

1st Church,

Thank you for the cards, phone calls and prayers for Dad. He loved the people in this church and missed not being able to attend services the past few years. Thanks for all your support and friendship.

The Johnsons- Edna, Randy, Pam, Erin, & Anna

The junior high youth is in need of **hammers to borrow** for a project on February 21. If you have one to loan, please make sure your name is on it and leave it in the print room. Thank you!

February 18, 2018 Prayer Requests

Publish in bulletin? Y ___ N ___

Requested by _____

Prayer list:

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| Betty & Aldon Speer | Carrie Denny |
| Mary McClellan | Bob & Dee Lentz |
| Kristy Hodge Pratt | Carolyn Wood |
| Barbara Marrs | Joan Tansil |
| Elizabeth Bailey | Bobby & Viola Seay |
| Nannie Greene | Sue Speer |
| Dot Woodby | Jo Cross |
| Mack Peterson | Our church |
| Ralph & Joan Garland | Our nation |
| Nancy Jewell | Kim Church |
| Bobbie Wells | LaMarr Talley |
| Elizabeth Wells | Evelyn Moore |
| Willie Hughes | Beth Woodby & family |
| Clare Warren & parents | Steve Holmes |
| Howard Smith | Donna Royston |
| Catherine Cartus | Vicky Coffman |
| Tom Palmer | Linda Church |
| Carrol Waterbury | Isaac Stephenson |
| Kevin Jones | Vivian Eckerson |
| | Rev. Donna Hester |

Food Pantry

The Food Pantry needs boxes for distribution. The size of computer paper boxes is great but we can also use ones a little smaller. Please leave boxes in front of the Neighborhood Center door. Thank you!