

Wednesday Night Fellowship

April 11, 2018 5:45 pm

Menu: Ham, oven roasted potatoes, salad bar, bread, dessert

Program: Women of the Bible

Reservations by Tuesday, April 10 **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. Any one 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**.



Year-to-Date Operating Funds as of 2/28/18

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| Revenues | 76,257 |
| Operating Expenses | 97,879 |
| Surplus/(Deficit) | (21,622) |

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WEEKLY CALENDAR
APRIL 8-14, 2018
SUNDAY, APRIL 8
 9:15 Sunday School
 10:30 Worship Service
 4:30 Children & Youth Activities
 4:30 Bible Journaling
 4:30 Confirmation Class
 5:30 Children & Youth Snack Supper
 6:15 The Branch
MONDAY, APRIL 9
 6:00 Softball Practice- Winged Deer Park, Field #3
 7:00 Boy Scouts
TUESDAY, APRIL 10
 4:30 Staff Meeting
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11
 9:00 Intercessory Prayer Ministry- Chapel
 4:15 Youth Choir
 5:00 Guitar Class
 5:45 Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner & Program
 6:15 Children's Choir
 6:15 Children & Youth Activities
 7:30 Chancel Choir
THURSDAY, APRIL 12
 6:00 Girl Scout Troop #978
 6:00 College-Age Women's Group- Parlor
 6:00 Skate Inn Faith & Family Night
 7:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers- gym
FRIDAY, APRIL 13
 7:00 Bowling for Brother's Keeper

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:
USHERS: David Denny, Calvin McMann, Roger Bailey, Frank Mohap
GREETERS: Ken & Linda Talley, Kent & Midge Merrill, Bob Peebles, Karen & Dale Schmitt
PRAYER: Johnny Qualls **CROSSBEARER:** Josie Roberts
ACOLYTE: Jaliyah Woods **BEADLE:** Renee Jah
AUDIOVISUAL: Karl Kapoor



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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
April 8, 2018
Second Sunday of Easter

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING
PRELUDE "O Filii et Filiae" Rebecca Groom Te Velde
CALL TO WORSHIP
 Leader: We gather today to worship our risen King.
People: The joy of Easter still rings in our hearts.
 Leader: The gift of new life is ours in Jesus Christ.
People: We open our hearts to all the wondrous things God has done for us.
 Leader: Let us lift our voices in praise.
People: May our praise be a testimony to God's redeeming love!

INVOCATION
***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Thine Be the Glory" No. 308
***PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON**
 Leader: Merciful God, please don't let us live as if Jesus died and rose in vain. Forgive us when we close the doors of our hearts and minds to the Easter Gospel.
People: Forgive us when we think we must face the world alone, forgetting that Jesus rose to walk with us and give us abundant life.
 Leader: Forgive us when we live in guilt over things we have done, forgetting that Jesus died and rose to take away our failures and to make us new creations.
People: Forgive us when we think we have little to offer, forgetting that the riches of God's grace are available for us to use as we live and serve.
 Leader: Forgive us when we think we are worthy of your grace, forgetting that everything we have has been given to us to serve You and others in Jesus' name.
People: Deliver us from negative thoughts that can cripple us, and from fashionable thoughts that can mislead us. When we close our doors to You and others, appear to us in surprising ways. Restore to us the joy of Easter. Speak to us and let us hear Your voice.
 (a time for personal reflection)

Leader: How blessed are we, who have not seen, yet have come to believe the good news of the Gospel:

All: In all things, Jesus the Messiah comes to us, bringing forgiveness and hope. Glory be to God for His mercy and grace. AMEN

NEW TESTAMENT READING Acts 4:32-35

MORNING PRAYER AND THE 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** "Amen/Because He Lives" Words on Screen

OFFERTORY "Thanks to God for My Redeemer" Jan Sanborn

***DOXOLOGY** No. 94

***GOSPEL READING** John 20:19-31

ANTHEM "Ascribe to the Lord"

Ascribe to the Lord, ye heavens, adore Him; give to the Lord all glory and praise.

Ascribe to the Lord, ye heavens, adore Him; give to the Lord the glory due His name.

The voice of God is on the waters; the God of glory thunders over all the sea.

Worship the Lord in holy splendor. The voice of God is full of majesty.

All powerful is our God.

SERMON "Do You Believe?" Rev. Jane Taylor

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** "They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord.

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord.

And we pray that all unity may one day be restored.

Chorus: And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand.

And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

Chorus

We will work with each other, we will work side by side.

We will work with each other, we will work side by side.

And we'll guard each one's dignity and save each one's pride.

Chorus

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come,

And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son.

And all praise to the Spirit, who makes us one.

Chorus

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

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.

FYI: The Security (Safety) Group name has been changed to the **Welcome Group.**

April 8, 2018 Prayer Requests

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Requested by _____

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| Prayer list: | Sue Speer |
| Betty & Aldon Speer | Our church |
| Mary McClellan | Our nation |
| Kristy Hodge Pratt | Kim Church |
| Barbara Marrs | LaMarr Talley |
| Elizabeth Bailey | Evelyn Moore |
| Dot Woodby | Steve Holmes |
| Mack Peterson | Donna Royston |
| Ralph & Joan Garland | Vicky Coffman |
| Nancy Jewell | Linda Church |
| Bobbie Wells | Family of Isaac Stephenson |
| Elizabeth Wells | Vivian Eckerson |
| Willie Hughes | Rev. Donna Hester |
| Clare Warren & parents | Eden Pendergrass |
| Howard Smith | Marie Gough |
| Catherine Cartus | Edna Johnson |
| Tom Palmer | Jordin Hall Milano |
| Carrol Waterbury | Jo Briggs |
| Kevin Jones | Chantal Vinson |
| Carrie Denny | Judy Rust |
| Bob & Dee Lentz | Bonnie Aubin |
| Carolyn Wood | Christy Cagle |
| Joan Tansil | Mike Cairnes |
| Bobby & Viola Seay | The Gouge Family |
| | Panita Norwood |

Sympathy is extended to Betty and Earl Gouge and family in the death of their son, Kevin, on Friday, March 30, in Jacksonville, Florida.