

Wednesday Night Fellowship

October 23, 2019 5:45 pm

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

Program: Christianity & World Religions
by Adam Hamilton— led by Rev. Jodie Ihfe

Reservations by Tuesday, 10/22 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: All meals are 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.

Explore First Church

You are invited to learn more about the ministries of First Church, our United Methodist connection, and all the ways that you can be involved.

Classes will continue at 9:30 in the Parlor across from the sanctuary next Sunday.

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



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WEEKLY CALENDAR OCTOBER 20-26, 2019

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

9:15 Sunday School
10:30 Worship Service
3:00 Charge Conference at
Wesley Memorial UMC
4:30 Children & Youth Activities
5:30 Children & Youth Snack Supper
6:15 The Branch

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

7:00 Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

4:30 Staff Meeting
7:00 Circle of Hope—Parlor

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

4:15 Youth Choir
5:00 Guitar Class
5:30 Fellowship Dinner & Program
6:15 Children & Youth Activities
7:30 Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

5:30 ELC Board Meeting
6:00 Wayfinders
6:30 Connections/Communications

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

10:00 Community Mission Food
Distribution

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

USHERS: David Denny, Ernie Walker, Ken Talley, Dale Schmitt
GREETERS: Sean Eden & Kendal Fox*, Ben & Cathy Peeples, Chris & Katie Keinath, Karen & Dale Schmitt (*Indicates person(s) at Welcome Table)

PRAYER: Joann Boyd **CROSSBEARER:** Hank Berning

ACOLYTE: Mikah Dukes **BEADLE:** Reece Kelley

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 blue registration pad at one end of each pew.
Information about 1st Church can be found inside the front cover. Please help yourself to any of these materials.

If you are a new visitor today, please stop by the Welcome Station immediately following the service, in the room at the rear of the sanctuary. We have a gift for you and want to meet you!

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

October 20, 2019

19th Sunday After Pentecost

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

PRELUDE "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Arr. Joel Raney

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, people of God! Raise your voices in praise and thanksgiving!

People: We come this day, grateful for all the blessings God has placed in our lives.

Leader: Shout with joy and proclaim God's mighty power and abiding presence.

People: We celebrate God's great love that frames our lives with grace and hope.

Leader: It is right and a good thing to give God our thanks and praise.

People: May God's praise always be in our hearts and on our lips.

INVOCATION

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" No. 139

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: To You, Faithful God, we bring our failures; especially those that could have been prevented had we not been self-centered and given in to temptation.

People: Forgive us if our actions have betrayed Your trust, and have added frustration and hurt to others.

Leader: To You, Faithful God, we bring our successes, for even our best deeds are flawed and fall short of Your best gifts.

People: Forgive our boastful pride, for our lives are a mix of good and evil, and we need Your wisdom and grace.

Leader: We humbly bow before You, O God, asking for Your mercy and pardon.

People: Forgive us, Lord. Dwell in our hearts and assure us of Your presence. Help us rid our lives of everything that would keep us from faithfully following You in paths of compassion and grace.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: God hears our prayers, accepts us, and bathes us in love. My friends, hear and believe the good news of the Gospel:

People: In the height and depth of the love of Christ, which is far beyond worldly knowledge, we are forgiven and set free to live in joy, gratitude, and service. Thanks be to God! AMEN!

NEW TESTAMENT READING Ephesians 3:14-20

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 "Holy Spirit" Words on Screen

Children 2nd grade & younger are welcome to meet the adult leader at the door at the front of the sanctuary as the offertory begins to go to Children's Church.

OFFERTORY "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" Setting by Paul Manz

***DOXOLOGY** No. 94

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 2 Samuel 6:1-19

ANTHEM "The Lord, He Is God"

The Lord, He is God, there is no other in heaven above and earth below;

We worship and praise our holy Father, from whom every blessing flows.

The Lord, He is God, He watches o'er us, keeping us safe both day and night;

The ultimate star He shines so glorious, a wonderful beacon burning bright.

His mercy pours from high above, filling with everlasting love.

We're in His hands, beneath His wings,

His perfect plan salvation brings.

The Lord, He is God, there is no other in heaven above and earth below;

We worship and praise our holy Father, from whom every blessing flows.

The Lord, He is God, He watches o'er us, keeping us safe both day and night;

Redeemer of all, our King forever, reigning on high forevermore.

SERMON "The Ark of God" Rev. Jodie Ihfe

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** "Lord, Speak to Me" No. 463
Verses 1, 3, & 5

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

O fill me with Thy fullness, Lord,

Until my very heart o'erflow in 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.**



Our annual Trunk or Treat will be Wednesday, October 30 from 5:30-7:00 in the Pine Street parking lot. There will be a hot dog supper, treats, fun on the inflatables, and contests. Those who would like to donate candy or provide a trunk and hand out treats may sign up with an Outreach member after our worship service. Candy donations can be left in the print room.

Saturday, October 26 & all Food Pantry Saturdays through March

Neighborhood Center

10:00 a.m.-12 noon



Please remember your new or slightly used coat donations for this community outreach. A collection box is in the Connector lobby.

*Note: Outerwear of all sizes is needed- infants to adults- including coats, jackets, sweaters, sweatshirts, hoodies, socks, gloves, and mittens.

To volunteer to help with the distribution or to request a pick-up of your items, please call 647-7270.

October 20, 2019 Prayer Requests

Publish in bulletin? Y ___ N ___

Requested by _____

Prayer list:

Barbara Marrs	Rev. Bill Carter
Elizabeth Bailey	Gary Roberts
Nancy Jewell	Brian & Linda Murphey
Elizabeth Wells	Noah Cook
Catherine Cartus	Lou Thornberry
Tom Palmer	Lori Jones
Kevin Jones	Ellen Ferguson
Carrie Denny	Denver Parrett
Bob & Dee Lentz	Steve Roberts
LaMarr Talley	Rocky Shew
Evelyn Moore	John Collins
Jo Cross	Anna Ruth & Russ Gregory
Jerry & Judy Rust	Luke Holmes
Gary J. Harkins	Nancy Wells
Magnolia Ridge family of recovery	Ken Diehl
Roy & Sharyn Lessly	Doris Welch
Jane Wilhoit Anderson	Beverly Flanigan
Betty McGaha	Maj. Mathew Gofsteyn
Steve Holmes	Reed Davis
Steve Wilkinson	

The rosebud in the sanctuary this morning celebrates the birth of Nehemiah Matteo Tiam Story, son of Caroline Howard and Isaac Story, who was born on October 13. He is the grandson of Stacey and James Greer.

Extra Security Monitors are needed for Sunday night and Wednesday night services. If interested, please contact a current Monitor or the church office at 928-9222.