

Wednesday Night Fellowship

January 9, 2019 5:45 pm

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

Program: Couples of the Bible: Jacob and Rachel, led by Betty Moore

Reservations by Tuesday, 1/8 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.



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WEEKLY CALENDAR

JANUARY 6-12, 2019

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6

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

MONDAY, JANUARY 7

7:00 Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8

4:30 Staff Meeting
6:00 Trustees Meeting
7:00 Church Council

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9

9:00 Intercessory Prayer Ministry
4:15 Youth Choir
5:00 Guitar Class
5:30 Fellowship Dinner & Program
6:15 Children & Youth Activities

7:30 Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10

6:00 Wayfinders
7:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers-gym

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

USHERS: David Denny, Art Eckerson, Jim Heaton, Mitch Robinson, Steve Love
GREETERS: Novice Gross, Katie Mahoney, Brian & Cathie Rosecrance, Steve & Donna Robbins
PRAYER: Novice Gross **CROSSBEARER:** Abraunya Roe
ACOLYTE: Abragayle Roe **BEADLE:** Quinn Fox
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.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

January 6, 2019

Epiphany of the Lord

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

PRELUDE "Kings of Orient" Arr. by Fred Bock

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Arise, shine, for your light has come. The glory of the Lord has risen upon you!

People: The glory of God shines into our darkness.

Leader: Lift up your eyes and look around. Follow the star, wherever it leads!

People: We will take the journey that leads to the holy child.

Leader: Let your hearts rejoice. Be overwhelmed with joy!

People: We worship the Christ child, the hope of the world.

INVOCATION

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Angels From the Realms of Glory" No. 220

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: The radiance of a Star guided the travelers to the feet of Jesus where they offered their most precious gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

People: Gracious God, You have given us more than a star to guide us— You have revealed Your glory and Your love in the person of Jesus, the Light of the World.

Leader: You have chosen us to receive Your love, Your grace, and Your salvation. You have marked us with the seal of Your Spirit and called us to offer joyful praise in service to others.

All: Forgive us when we fail to give our best to You.

Forgive us when we fail to bring the light of Your love to those darkened by pain, poverty, sorrow, and hopelessness.

Forgive us when we choose to go our own way, rather than be guided by Your Son. Strengthen us with Your Spirit, so we may follow where You lead, and reveal Your glory and love in all we say and do.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: Arise and shine, for your light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon us. God carries out God's eternal purpose in Jesus Christ and it is through Christ that we have access to God. My friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ we are redeemed and forgiven. Thanks be to God. AMEN

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 60:1-6

MORNING PRAYER

***HYMN OF REFLECTION** "Here I Am to Worship" Supplement #3177 & On Screen

OFFERTORY "Canon de Noel" Arr. by Joseph Martin

***DOXOLOGY** No. 94

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 2:1-12

ANTHEM "Carol for Seekers"

Seekers come to find the Promised One!

Behold, His star is shining bright with glory!

Seekers come to earth is born a Son!

Behold the wonders that the Lord has done!

See a star blazing in the night.

It calls us all to begin a sacred journey.

Diamond bright in the eastern sky is falling on the one true Light!

SERMON

"The Gifts for Jesus"

Rev. Jane Taylor

REFLECTION

In the bleak midwinter, frosty wind made moan,
Earth stood hard as iron, water like a stone;
Snow had fallen, snow on snow, snow on snow,
In the bleak midwinter, long ago.

What can I give Him, poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb;
If I were a Wise Man, I would do my part;
Yet what I can I give Him: give Him my heart.

SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE II

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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 COMMITMENT** "Fairest Lord Jesus" No. 189
Verses 1, 2, & 3

***BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

Beautiful Savior, Lord of all the nations!

Son of God and Son of Man!

Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be Thine.

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.

Please note: the Taste of First Methodist,
which had been rescheduled for this afternoon,
has been cancelled.

January 6, 2019 Prayer Requests

Publish in bulletin? Y ___ N ___

Requested by _____

Prayer list:

Barbara Marrs	Cody Hammond
Elizabeth Bailey	Joe Campbell
Ralph & Joan Garland	Mitch Link
Nancy Jewell	Michael Harrell
Bobbie Wells	Roy & Sharyn Lessly
Elizabeth Wells	Jane Wilhoit Anderson
Clare Warren & parents	Nancy Wilhoit Norris
Catherine Cartus	Emily Hawkins
Tom Palmer	Christy Cagle
Kevin Jones	Beth Minutolo
Carrie Denny	Betty McGaha
Bob & Dee Lentz	Steve Holmes
Carolyn Wood	Phil & Donna Pipkin
Sue Speer	Vivian Eckerson
LaMarr Talley	Clare May
Evelyn Moore	Tina Morrison
Jo Cross	Oliver Johnson
Edna Johnson	G. G. Kline
Jerry & Judy Rust	Brenda Logan
Bill & Mary McClellan	Terry Ponder
Gary J. Harkins	Louise Scott
Magnolia Ridge family of recovery	Marsha Pierce
Frannie Knouse	Mary Jane Furchess
Rev. David Neel	Mike Lowe
Jim Paveglio	Midge Merrill
	Ronnie Pickle
	Mary Hollingshead

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