

Wednesday Night Fellowship

February 27, 2019 5:45 pm

Menu: Spaghetti & meatballs, apples, salad bar, bread, dessert

Program: Lenten study: Simon Peter by Adam Hamilton, led by Fran Waterbury

Reservations by Tuesday, 2/26 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.

The Circle of Hope will meet Tuesday, February 26th at 7:00 in the Parlor.

Are you interested in sports? Do you want to get to know others from 1st Church? We are looking for men and women (ages 16 and up) for our church co-ed softball team! Please contact Kristen Clements at (423)426-3296 or keclements4@gmail.com to sign up. Practices start mid-March with games being held on Monday nights April through July.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

FEB. 24-MARCH 2, 2019

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24

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

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25

5:00 High School Tutoring
7:00 Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

4:00 High School Tutoring
4:30 Staff Meeting
6:00 Outreach Committee
7:00 Circle of Hope- Parlor

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

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

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28

4:00 Junior High Tutoring
5:30 ELC Board Meeting
6:00 Wayfinders
7:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers-gym

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

6:30 Circle of Friends

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

USHERS: David Denny, Ben Peeples, Art Eckerson, Alan LeClair

GREETERS: Grier Washam, Betty Gouge, Ernie Cross, Jenny Haun

PRAYER: Ben Peeples **CROSSBEARER:** Stephen Cradic

ACOLYTE: Hank Berning **BEADLE:** Reece Kelley

AUDIOVISUAL: John Cradic

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

February 24, 2019

Seventh Sunday after Epiphany

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

PRELUDE "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" Arr. Kenton Coe

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

People: We are claimed by God and we belong to God.

Leader: When we feel overwhelmed,

People: God gives us strength and hope.

Leader: When we are afraid,

People: God gives us courage and He lights our way.

Leader: Give praise to God, who saves us and sustains us.

People: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

INVOCATION

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Ye Servants of God" No. 181

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

Leader: Just and gracious God, we know the mistakes we have made.

People: We have acted in ways that do not reflect Your grace, mercy, and compassion.

Leader: We have spoken harsh words that have caused hurt and pain to others.

People: We become distracted by the noise all around us and rarely find time to seek Your still, small voice.

Leader: We become comfortable with our own ways and shy away from a faith that asks us to reach out to others with the message of comfort and hope.

People: Forgive us, compassionate God. Bind us together by Your Spirit. Teach us to overcome hate with love as we reach out to all those around us.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: Christ washes us clean and makes us a new creation. Christ nurtures us, sustains us, and offers us life abundant. Hear and believe the good news of the Gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ, the law is fulfilled, mercy abounds, and we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. AMEN

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Ephesians 2:13-22

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** "Who You Say I Am" Words on Screen

OFFERTORY "Great is Thy Faithfulness" Arr. Joel Raney

***DOXOLOGY** No. 94

GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 16:13-20

ANTHEM "Be Still and Know That He is God"

Be still and know that He is God. Be still and know that He is holy.

Be still O restless soul of mine. Bow before the Prince of Peace.

Let the noise and clamor cease. Be still and know that He is God.

Be still and know that He is faithful. Consider all that He has done:

Stand in awe and be amazed and know that He will never change.

Be still and know that He is God.

Be still and know he is our Father. Come, rest your head upon His breast.

Listen to the rhythm of His unfailing heart of love;

Beating for His little ones, calling each of us to come. Be still.

SERMON "A Solid Foundation" Mr. Steve Gross

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** "The Church's One Foundation" No. 545

***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.

The rosebud on the altar this morning is in honor of Finn Alexander Berning, son of Nate Berning and Sydney Davis, who was born Saturday, February 16. Grandparents are Chris and Janine Berning and great grandparents are Garland and Jan Gentry.

Good News

First United Methodist Church Johnson City has been awarded a \$6000 grant for Senior Parish/Shut-In members of our church. The funds were the result of a grant application to the Holston Conference UMC Foundation and will be used for events in the coming months. We welcome any suggestions and ideas for planning these activities. Bonnie Sampson has graciously agreed to help in organizing these events. Please see her with your ideas!

Needed: volunteers of any age (14 and up) for our local mission project with Appalachia Service Project. Volunteers from the community also welcomed (bring a friend.) We will be doing home repairs for families right here in our own community.

When: March 22-24 You can select to work any or all of those days.

No skill required. Jobs assigned according to the make-up of the group.

No cost. Only the sacrifice of time.

To register: Go to the home page on the church website or call Brian Rosecrance at (423) 747-4671 for more information and registration.

The Three Rivers District lay servant training event for spring 2019 will be held at Gray UMC on Saturday, March 9 from 8:30-4:30. Registration fee of \$25 is due by **Monday, February 25**. For more information, please call (423)926-7533.

February 24, 2019 Prayer Requests

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Requested by _____

Prayer list:

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

Volunteer Opportunity

The Junior High class is in need of a Sunday School teacher. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Susan Davidson.