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Amber Butcher Kapoor received her Master's Degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Massachusetts. She is currently interviewing for jobs. She is the daughter of Dwight & Donna Butcher of Oak Ridge.

You have the power to make a difference! We have rebuilt, replaced, and restored the roof and HVAC in the Education Building. Details to follow. Day of Giving and Commitment is Sunday, June 23.

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



CONTRIBUTIONS


Budgeted year to date through 5/19	232,377
Actual receipts through 5/19	190,789
Surplus/(Deficit)	(41,588)

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WEEKLY CALENDAR
MAY 26-JUNE 1, 2019
SUNDAY, MAY 26
 9:15 Sunday School
 10:30 Worship Service
MONDAY, MAY 27
 Memorial Day- Church office and ELC closed
TUESDAY, MAY 28
 4:30 Staff Meeting
 6:00 Outreach Committee
 7:00 Circle of Hope- Linda Talley's home
WEDNESDAY, MAY 29
 7:30 Chancel Choir
THURSDAY, MAY 30
 6:00 Wayfinders
 6:30 Connections/Communications
 7:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers-gym

Camp in the Community is back again this summer! This is a free day camp here at 1st Church 9:00-3:00 the week of June 17th for rising K-8th grade. Spots are limited to the first 75 children. Contact Bree Nelson at *bree.nelson@1stchurchjc.org* for more information or to register.

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:
USHERS: David Denny, Ben Peeples, Art Eckerson, Alan LeClair
GREETERS: Novice Gross, Katie Mahoney, Steve & Donna Robbins, Kendal Fox & Sean Eden
PRAYER: Fran Waterbury **CROSSBEARER:** Abraunya Roe
ACOLYTE: Abragayle Roe **BEADLE:** Rose Jones
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 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.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
May 26, 2019
The Sixth Sunday of Easter

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING
PRELUDE "A Hymn for the Nation" Arr. Gilbert Martin
LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE
CHORAL INTROIT "Come, Now is the Time to Worship" No. 3176 & On Screen
CALL TO WORSHIP
 Leader: We gather to praise our God, for God has done great and mighty things in our lives.
People: As God has led us in the past, God will lead us in the future.
 Leader: We have seen, and will continue to see, God's creative love and power.
People: We commit ourselves to proclaim God's transforming love to all people.
 Leader: Remember that our God, who is with us forever, is worthy of all worship and praise.
People: We gladly open our hearts to hear God's word, and our lives to follow where the Holy Spirit leads.
INVOCATION
***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" No. 384

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

Leader: Merciful God, You have called us to follow Jesus and to pass Your message of acceptance and love to all people.

People: Forgive us when our faith is weak and our witness is hidden.

Leader: Forgive us when in our busyness, we ignore the cries of those in need.

People: Forgive us when we make judgments, and withhold mercy and compassion from those we perceive as unworthy.

Leader: Forgive us when in our prejudice, we refuse to speak out against injustice.

People: Forgive us when in our pride, we hold grudges and refuse to forgive.

Leader: Forgive us when we do not love everyone as You have loved us.

People: Increase our faith, open our hearts, and lead us into new life with You.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: God's mercy is greater than we can comprehend. We are loved by God. God offers each of us healing and peace. My friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

People: Through Jesus Christ, God's living word, we are loved, accepted, and forgiven. Thanks be to God. AMEN

GOSPEL READING John 13:31-35

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Anne McCarthy Mahlo Keinath

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

OFFERTORY "Ridgecrest" Joseph Martin

***DOXOLOGY**

No. 94

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Acts 10:1-33

ANTHEM

"Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed"

*Alas and did my Savior bleed, and did my Sovereign die?
Would He devote that sacred head for sinners such as I?*

*Was it for crimes that I had done He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity, grace unknown, and love beyond degree!*

*Well might the sun in darkness hide and shut His glories in,
When Christ, the mighty Maker died for man the creature's sin.*

*But drops of grief can ne'er repay the debt of love I owe.
Here Lord, I give myself away. 'Tis all that I can do.*

SERMON

"Illogical Faith: Acceptance"

Steve Gross

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

"Pass It On"

No. 572

***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.

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 Staff Parish Committee (speaking for the entire church family) would like to express our sincere appreciation to Calvin Robinson for serving as Church Custodian during these past two years. Calvin came forward to take this position during a time we had a great need for someone with the skill-set and knowledge of the many needs to keep an older building "going." Thank you Calvin!!

The Three Rivers District is collecting School Kits for Liberia. Please pack all items in a backpack. They are due in the church office by **May 28.**

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| 1- 12" ruler | 2 boxes chalk |
| 1 compass for math | 1 protractor |
| 1- 10-12 pack blue or black pens | 1- 10-12 pack pencils |
| 1 pack erasers | 2 pencil sharpeners |
| 3 spiral notebooks (70 sheets) | 1 small Bible |

May 26, 2019 Prayer Requests

Publish in bulletin? Y___ N___

Requested by _____

Prayer list:

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| Barbara Marrs | Vivian Eckerson |
| Elizabeth Bailey | Brenda Logan |
| Nancy Jewell | Midge Merrill |
| Elizabeth Wells | Ronnie Pickle |
| Catherine Cartus | Steve Wilkinson |
| Tom Palmer | Beverly Flanigan |
| Kevin Jones | Rev. Bill Carter |
| Carrie Denny | Gary Roberts |
| Bob & Dee Lentz | Kim Kinser |
| LaMarr Talley | Brian & Linda Murphey |
| Evelyn Moore | Becky Saunders |
| Jo Cross | BJ & Brittany Ayers & daughter |
| Jerry & Judy Rust | Anna Kapoor |
| Bill & Mary McClellan | Michael Smelser |
| Gary J. Harkins | Noah Cook |
| Magnolia Ridge family of recovery | Lou Thornberry |
| Franny Knouse | Lori Jones |
| Rev. David Neel | Ellen Ferguson |
| Roy & Sharyn Lessly | Denver Parrett |
| Jane Wilhoit Anderson | Jenny Johnson |
| Betty McGaha | Sam Miller |
| Steve Holmes | Terry Countermine |
| | Steve Roberts |

Sympathy is extended to Steve and Donna Robbins in the death of Steve's mother, Arlene Frouz.