

As you are cleaning out your closets this summer, please consider donating to Clare's Closet. Any donations of warm winter outerwear (coats, hats, gloves, hoodies, etc.) would be appreciated! We are already beginning to prepare for our first distribution date in the fall. All sizes are needed but we are especially in need of adult sizes. Thank you!



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-August.

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



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WEEKLY CALENDAR
AUGUST 11-17, 2019

- SUNDAY, AUGUST 11**
 9:15 Sunday School
 10:30 Worship Service
 4:30 Children & Youth Activities
 5:30 Children & Youth Snack Supper
 6:15 The Branch
- MONDAY, AUGUST 12**
 7:00 Boy Scouts
- TUESDAY, AUGUST 13**
 4:30 Staff Meeting
- WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14**
 9:00 Intercessory Prayer Ministry
 4:15 Youth Choir
 5:00 Guitar Class
 5:45 Children & Youth Snack Supper
 6:15 Children & Youth Activities
 7:30 Chancel Choir
- THURSDAY, AUGUST 15**
 6:00 Wayfinders
 7:00 East TN Intl. Folk Dancers-gym
- FRIDAY, AUGUST 16**
 10:00 FUMC serves at the Melting Pot
- SATURDAY, AUGUST 17**
 Love JC Service Day

SUNDAY MORNING VOLUNTEERS for TODAY:

- USHERS:** David Denny, Calvin McMann, Roger Bailey, Frank Mohap
GREETERS: Ben & Cathy Peeples, Karen & Dale Schmitt, Chris & Katie Keinath, Brian & Cathie Rosecrance
PRAYER: Judy Cook **CROSSBEARER:** Avery Nelson
ACOLYTE: Rose Jones **BEADLE:** Linnea Jones
AUDIOVISUAL: John Cradic



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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

August 11, 2019

Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETING

PRELUDE "Faith of Our Fathers" Arr. Kenton Coe

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Come, people of faith, and gather joyfully before our God.

People: We have a new covenant with God, by the saving work of Christ on the cross.

Leader: Come, people of faith, and listen for God's voice.

People: God speaks in the beauty of creation, in joyful laughter, and in faithful questions.

Leader: Come, people of faith, and watch for God's presence.

People: God appears in rolling hillsides, in busy streets, and in people all around us.

Leader: Rejoice, people of faith, for God is with us.

People: Together we will worship and praise the God of our salvation.

INVOCATION

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God of peace and justice, we confess that we have not lived in faith and love.

People: Far too often we leave our worship service inspired to follow You, only to have our good thoughts and intentions go unfulfilled.

Leader: You call us to be ready to serve at any time.

People: We hear Your voice, but somehow our commitment to serve gets put on our "to do" list and sinks to the bottom behind a dozen other things.

Leader: Forgive our hesitancy and self-giving ways.

People: Open our eyes and ears to the cries of those in need.

Leader: Create in us a new spirit and a joyful energy to live as Your true disciples.

People: Grant us the courage to bring Your kingdom of love, compassion, mercy, and justice here "on earth as it is in heaven."

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: Though our sins are many, God's tender mercy to us is without end. Fellow believers, be assured of the good news of the Gospel:

People: God's love and grace are everlasting. In Jesus Christ, our sins are washed away and we are forgiven. Thanks be to God. AMEN

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

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 "Build Your Kingdom Here" Words on Screen

OFFERTORY "The Lord's My Shepherd" Arr. Larry Shackley

***DOXOLOGY** No. 94

GOSPEL READING Luke 12:32-40

ANTHEM "Keep Your Lamps"

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.

Children don't grow weary, for the time is drawing nigh.

Darker midnight lies before us, the time is drawing nigh.

See the Morning Star arising, the time is drawing nigh.

Now our night soon be over; the time is drawing nigh.

SERMON "Ready and Waiting" Rev. Gary Ihfe

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** "View the Present Through the Promise" #3048

***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 join us for a baby shower to celebrate
Baby Boy Story, son of Caroline Howard & Isaac Story
Saturday, August 24
FUMC Parlor
Drop in from 12:00-2:00
The couple is registered at Target
Please contact Jamee Roberts (741-6901), Jennifer Boarman (943-8388)
or Debbie Eddy (696-9360) for more information

August 11, 2019 Prayer Requests

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Requested by _____

Prayer list:

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| Barbara Marrs | Brian & Linda Murphey |
| Elizabeth Bailey | Becky Saunders |
| Nancy Jewell | BJ & Brittany Ayers & daughter |
| Elizabeth Wells | Noah Cook |
| Catherine Cartus | Lou Thornberry |
| Tom Palmer | Lori Jones |
| Kevin Jones | Ellen Ferguson |
| Carrie Denny | Denver Parrett |
| Bob & Dee Lentz | Jenny Johnson |
| LaMarr Talley | Sam Miller |
| Evelyn Moore | Terry Countermine |
| Jo Cross | Steve Roberts |
| Jerry & Judy Rust | Rocky Shew |
| Gary J. Harkins | Jessica Higginbotham |
| Magnolia Ridge family of recovery | Sam McPeak |
| Roy & Sharyn Lessly | John Collins |
| Jane Wilhoit Anderson | Anna Ruth & Russ Gregory |
| Betty McGaha | Luke Holmes |
| Steve Holmes | Hannah Stevens |
| Vivian Eckerson | Nancy Wells |
| Steve Wilkinson | Ken Diehl |
| Beverly Flanigan | Doris Welch |
| Rev. Bill Carter | Helen Saylor |
| Gary Roberts | Kathy Deakins |
| Kim Kinser | |

Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Bill McClellan, who passed away on August 6.