

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- ◆ Today: Thanksgiving Potluck-11:30
- ◆ November 22: Bible Study-1:00
- ◆ November 23: NO Wednesday Nighter
- ◆ November 27: Jr. High Movie-11:30
- ◆ November 29: Bible Study-1:00
- ◆ November 30: Wednesday Nighter-5:45
- ◆ December 4: play rehearsal-11:30
- ◆ December 6: Bible Study-1:00, Church Council-6:00
- ◆ December 7: Wednesday Nighter-5:45
- ◆ December 10: Women's Christmas Brunch-10:00, play rehearsal-10:00
- ◆ December 11: Children's Christmas Play-10:30, Taste of First-4:00

Food Pantry Items of the Month

For the month of November, the Food Pantry is collecting items to supplement food for our neighbors in need. The needed items are toilet paper and laundry detergent. Donations can be placed in the boxes in the narthex and the connector.

Prayer Cover: Novice Gross

Prayer List

Randy & Pat Adams
Erma Budd
Rhett Byrne
Catherine Cartus
Marian Cocke
Ryan Cradic
Vernon Crawford
Eric Davidson
Jackie Denny
Family of Vance Eastridge
Phyllis Eckerson
Vivian Eckerson
Courtney Eddy
Peggy Eddy
Phyllis Eorgan
Ray Feagins
Jim Furches
Cecil Green
Betty & Earl Gouge
Kay Haga
Mendy Hall
Beverly Harris
Nora & Tony Haynes
Nancy Honeycutt
The Hrenda family
Kathy Huff
Scott Huff
The Ihfe Family
Joyce Josie
Wiley Keller
Mike Kellum
Mary Anne King
Pam King
Linda Kostreva
Sally Lee
Luanne Love
Barbara Marrs
David McElveen
Family of Al Meeks
Jim Milliken
Family of Kelly Mohr
Johnny Moore
Family of Rick Norman
Jared Pack
Tom Palmer
Ruby Payne
Libby Roberts
Steven Schmidt
Louise Scott
Ed Searcey
Family of Brad Simpson
Family of Nancy Stevenson
Sue Tabbert
Urrea Family
Chloe Vanhuss
Katie Walker
Anna Grace West
Billie Williams
Brittney Williams & baby
Family Promise
Brother's Keeper
US Military & families
Ukraine
Manna House
Kairos Ministry
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FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WORSHIP GUIDE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2022

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

First Things First

Prelude

Call to worship

Leader: We are blessed by God and chosen by God.

People: We are redeemed by God and called by God.

Leader: God showers us with mercy and compassion.

People: God fills us with love and hope.

Leader: Come, let us worship our faithful God.

People: We will lift our praise to the God of our salvation.

Invocation

Hymn of Praise

"How Firm a Foundation"

#529

Verses 1, 2, 4, & 5

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Merciful God, our faith is small, our trust is low, and our courage is weak.

People: We have been commanded to love God and to love our neighbors, but we have allowed misunderstanding, fear, hatred, and prejudice to cloud our spirits. We turn away from those who don't look like us, talk like us, or make us feel uncomfortable.

Leader: In the pride of our hearts and our unwillingness to obey, we have turned from the cross of Christ and grieved Your Holy Spirit.

People: Please forgive us for our foolishness and stubbornness. Give us the courage to be people who will care for others. Let us dedicate our lives to Your service, always aware of Your presence and care. Teach us to love, so that we may live as we have been called to live.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: Do not lose heart. We are redeemed, restored, and called to new ways of loving others the same way we love ourselves, so hear and believe the good news of the Gospel:

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and freed to try again. Thanks be to God! AMEN

Old Testament Reading Deuteronomy 6:1-12

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Reflection "Blest Be the God of Israel" #209

Mission Moment

Doxology #94

New Testament Reading Ephesians 1:3-10

Anthem "Let the Redeemed of the Lord"

Sermon "Redeeming Our Past" Rev. Jodie Ihfe

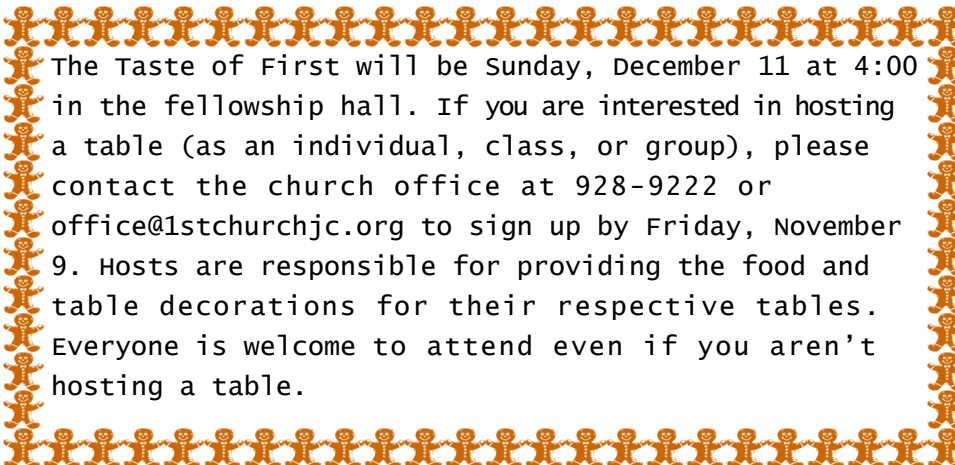
Hymn of Commitment "Graves Into Gardens" On Screen

Benediction

Benediction Response

Oh there's nothing better than You
There's nothing better than You
Lord there's nothing
Nothing is better than You

We extend our sympathies to Larry Street and family after the passing of his nephew, Danny Street, on November 12.



The Taste of First will be Sunday, December 11 at 4:00 in the fellowship hall. If you are interested in hosting a table (as an individual, class, or group), please contact the church office at 928-9222 or office@1stchurchjc.org to sign up by Friday, November 9. Hosts are responsible for providing the food and table decorations for their respective tables. Everyone is welcome to attend even if you aren't hosting a table.

There will be a women's Christmas Brunch hosted by the UMW on Saturday, December 10 at 10:00 am in the fellowship hall.

Thank you so much for your support of the Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. With your help, we collected 40 shoeboxes for children on the other side of the world!

Save the Date for Advent and Christmas Celebrations

- December 10: Women's Christmas Brunch
- December 11: Children's Play- "Scrooge in Bethlehem", Taste of First
- December 14: Children's Christmas Party, Youth Christmas Party
- December 18: Choir Christmas Cantata
- December 24: Christmas Eve Worship at 7:00
- December 25: Christmas Day Worship at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall (no Sunday School)

Offering boxes are located at the front and rear of the sanctuary and in the narthex.