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Erma Budd
Catherine Cartus
Scott Combs
Family of Patty Cox
Vernon Crawford
Ernie Cross
Lindsay Daniel
Eric Davidson
Chad & Sandi Decker
Jackie Denny
Family of Ken Diehl
Phyllis Eckerson
Vivian Eckerson
Courtney Eddy
Phyllis Eorgan
Ray Feagins
Susan Fields
Jim Furches
Family of Nannie Greene
Betty Gouge
Chris H.
Mendy Hall
Beverly Harris
Luke Holmes
Scott Huff
Janet Ihfe
Karl Kapoor
Mike Kellum
Mary Anne King
Joanne Kleven
Linda Kostreva
Sally Lee
David McElveen
Al Meeks
John Melendez & family
Jim Milliken
Helen Mills & family
Tom Palmer
Levi Robinette
Taylor Rodriguez
Maven & Mayes Rogers
Steven Schmidt
Louise Scott
Nancy Stevenson
Elaine Taylor
Anna Grace West
Jay & Melissa Wilkinson
Family Promise
Brother's Keeper
Kairos Ministry
Healthcare workers
US Military & families
Ukraine
Manna House
Highland Park, Illinois
NHC
ELC staff



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WORSHIP GUIDE

SUNDAY, JULY 24, 2022

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

First Things First

Prelude "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" Arr. John Jordan

Call to worship

Leader: Blessed be the Lord our God, who knows us and looks on us with kindness.

People: All God's children are offered God's care and acceptance.

Leader: Blessed be the Lord our God, who seeks us and gathers us to worship.

People: From across the street and from around the world, God brings us home to the heart of love.

Leader: Blessed be the Lord our God, who calls us beloved children.

People: Doubters and believers, watchers and wigglers; we are those welcomed into God's kingdom.

Invocation

Hymn of Praise "God of Grace and God of Glory" #577

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Holy God, ruler of all, in these moments we bring to You all the ways we have not lived as citizens of Your kingdom.

People: Rather than seek Your will for love and peace, we look for ways to divide ourselves.

Leader: We stand by satisfied, while those in need struggle to survive.

People: We cast our lot with those who worship power and success.

Leader: We offer insults rather than acts of grace to those we judge unworthy.

People: We gloss over Your words that call us to different ways of seeing and living.

Leader: Forgive us for those times we do not care what we do to You, to others, and to ourselves.

People: Open our eyes and ears to Your will, that our words and actions may reflect the tender mercy and gracious hope found in Jesus Christ Your Son.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: God proves His love for us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

People: God has rescued us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of His beloved Son in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God. AMEN

Old Testament Reading Psalm 145:10-21

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Reflection "As It Is In Heaven" On Screen

Mission Moment

Doxology #94

New Testament Lesson Luke 22:39-46

Anthem "walk in the spirit of Love"

Sermon "Thy Kingdom Come" Rev. Gary Ihfe

Hymn of Commitment "Lord, whose Love Through Humble Service" #581

Benediction

Benediction Response

Called by worship to Your service, forth in Your dear name we go,
To the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show;
Hope and health, good will & comfort, counsel, aid, & peace we give
That your servants, Lord, in freedom, may your mercy know and live

The next 5th Sunday Breakfast is July 31 at 9:15. Bring breakfast foods to share! Sunday School classes will not meet.

All young adults are invited to a cookout with hot dogs, hamburgers, and fun at Winged Deer Park and Boone Lake on Friday, July 29 from 5:00-7:00 pm. Contact steve.reis@1stchurchjc.org for more information.

This summer, we have had the privilege to host Nathan Dugger as our ministry student intern, and his internship is concluding on Sunday, July 31. If you would like to give Nathan a card or small gift of appreciation for his time, there will be a basket available during the 5th Sunday Breakfast and in the narthex on July 31.

Our Security Team needs a few more members to monitor during Sunday services. Four serve each Sunday, approximately once per month. Please notify one of the monitors or contact Jim Heaton if you are willing to help.

Upcoming July Meetings & Events

- ⇒ Sunday, July 24: Nominations & Leadership- 5:00
- ⇒ Tuesday, July 26: Outreach Team- 6:00, Circle of Hope- 6:00
- ⇒ Thursday, July 28: SPRC Meeting- 5:45
- ⇒ Friday, July 29: Senior Adult trip to Ashe County Frescoes
- ⇒ Sunday, July 31: 5th Sunday Breakfast

Save the date for a Senior Adult daytrip to the Ashe County Frescoes on Friday, July 29. If you are interested in attending this outing or have questions, contact Nathan Dugger by email at nathan.dugger@1stchurchjc.org or text (423)512-0206 with the names and number of people attending. The trip to Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theatre has been postponed and a new date will be announced soon.

Food Pantry Items of the Month

For the month of July, the Food Pantry is collecting items especially for the homeless, such as meat, beans, vegetables, & fruit in pull-top cans or pouches, meals in pouches, peanut butter cracker packs, and other prepackaged foods. Donations can be placed in the boxes in the narthex and the connector.

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