

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- ◆ 6/11: Camp in the Community meeting (11:30)
- ◆ 6/12-6/16: Camp in the Community
- ◆ 6/14: FUMC at the Doughboys baseball game (6:00)
- ◆ 6/21: Nurture Team (10:00)
- ◆ 6/24: Food Pantry (10:00)

We will have a brief training for adult volunteers following worship today at 11:30 in the sanctuary. Junior Counselors will have a training beginning at 4:00 pm in the pavilion.

Join us for the annual 1st Church Fellowship at a Doughboys baseball game on Wednesday, June 14. Free tickets for the game and dinner will be handed out at the TVA Credit Union Ballpark at 6:00. The game begins at 7:00. Invite a friend!

Food Pantry Items of the Month

For the month of June, the Food Pantry is collecting items to supplement food for our neighbors in need. The needed items are canned chicken & salmon, boxes of cereal, and bars of soap. In addition, the food pantry can always use canned meat & canned fruit. Donations can be placed in the boxes in the narthex and the connector.

Prayer Cover: Art Eckerson

Prayer List

Randy & Pat Adams
Family of Dr. Steven Berk
Travis Buchanan
Family of Bruce Carson
Catherine Cartus
Ryan Cradic
Vernon Crawford
Jackie Denny
Paul Duncan
Phyllis Eckerson
Vivian Eckerson
Cecilia Fleckstein
Jim Furches
Betty & Earl Gouge
Dalton Gough
Pam Hagen
Mendy Hall
Nora & Tony Haynes
Family of Linda Hodge
Scott Huff
Joyce Josie
Deni Kiehl
Linda Kostreva
Family of Bradley Kuykendall
Aubrey Lee
Bob & Wanda May
David McElveen
Jim & CarolAnne Milliken
Tom Palmer
Ruby Payne
Bob & Athena Peebles
Carolyn Peeples
Family of Dee Dee Reid
Steven Schmidt
Louise Scott
Family of Ed Searcey
Anna Grace West
Manna House



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SUNDAY, JUNE 11, 2023

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Prelude "They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love"

Peter Scholtes/Arr. Mark Hayes

First Things First

Call to worship

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good.

People: God's steadfast love will never end.

Leader: Open the temple gates, that we may enter and give thanks.

People: This is the gate of the Lord, where the righteous enter in.

Leader: The Lord is our strength and our might.

People: The rejected stone has become the cornerstone of our salvation.

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Invocation

Hymn of Praise "In Christ There is No East or West" #548

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Leader: God of life, You have called us to live together in love and unity.

People: We confess that we find ways to build walls and separate ourselves from one another.

Leader: We make choices that cause pain to those around us.

People: Our actions are not always patient and kind.

Leader: We have trouble understanding the needs of others.

People: We are slow to listen and quick to pass judgment.

Leader: We harbor anger and hold grudges.

People: We desire compassion, but have trouble being compassionate.

Leader: Forgive us when we cannot see all people as Your children.

People: Remind us that we all are equal in Your sight, and teach us the beauty of living in harmony and peace.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: As believers, we are God's possession, called out of darkness and into God's light. Remember, believe, and share the good news of the Gospel:

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

Old Testament Reading Exodus 29:1-9

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Reflection "Gratitude" On Screen

Mission Moment

Doxology

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New Testament Reading 1 Peter 2:4-10

Anthem "How Marvelous Are the Works of the Lord"

Sermon "A Holy Rock Collection" Steve Reis

Hymn of Commitment "We Are Called to Be God's People"

Benediction

Benediction Response

We are called to be God's prophets,
Speaking for the truth and right;
Standing firm for godly justice,
Bringing evil into light.
Let us seek the courage needed,
Our high calling to fulfill,
That we all may know the blessing
Of the doing of God's will

Brian Cook and the Huff family invite you to share in the celebration of Finley & Judy Cook's 60th wedding anniversary! A reception is planned in the parlor following church services today.

Our District Superintendent Lauri Jo Cranford will be rotating off the cabinet this year. We are planning an event to celebrate her leadership of the Three Rivers District and wish her well in her new ministry. We invite you to join us in this celebration on this afternoon from 3:00-5:00 at the Student Ministry Center at Gray UMC. This will be an informal drop-in reception with refreshments provided.

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