

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- ◆ 7/22: Food Pantry (10:00)
- ◆ 7/24: Moms Group (5:00)
- ◆ 7/27: UMW trip to Black Mtn. Home (8:15)
- ◆ 7/30: 5th Sunday Breakfast (9:15), Back to School Splash (6:00)

SAVE THE DATE FOR AUGUST 6!

Immediately after church we will have Lemonade on the Lawn so we can talk & fellowship for a few minutes with some wonderful refreshments.

Everyone is invited to join us for a 5th Sunday Breakfast on July 30th. Bring a dish to share as we gather in the Fellowship Hall for a time of food & fun from 9:15-10:15.

Our small group for new moms, expecting moms, and moms of little ones is meeting again on July 24. This group offers friendship and support for these new mothers while the nursery gives them a moment to catch their breath. They meet in the church parlor at 5:00 pm.

Food Pantry Items of the Month

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

Prayer Cover: Johnny Qualls

Prayer List

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



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WORSHIP GUIDE

SUNDAY, JULY 16, 2023

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Prelude "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead us" William Bradbury/Arr. Jan Sanborn

First Things First

Call to worship

Leader: Rejoice, for the mercy and grace of God are present in this place.

People: The love and power of the risen Christ are alive all around us:

Leader: promising to the poor the realm of heaven;

People: promising to the hungry a time of satisfaction;

Leader: promising to the weeping a life of happiness;

People: promising to the reviled the gift of acceptance.

Leader: Rejoice, people of God, for the transforming power of Christ is here!

People: Together, we will seek God's wisdom and follow God's ways.

Invocation

Hymn of Praise "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart" #160

Confession and Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Holy God, help us to reconsider the standards by which we live-

People: to examine the values we condone and the values we condemn.

Leader: In scripture, You pronounce blessings upon the poor and hungry.

People: Forgive us when we, by choice or policy, withhold their basic needs.

Leader: You pronounce blessings upon the weeping and forsaken.

People: Forgive us when we fail to notice the pain and isolation others endure.

Leader: You pronounce woes upon the greedy and pretentious.

People: Forgive us when we lust after riches and power.

Leader: You pronounce doom on the proud and deceitful.

People: Forgive us when we refuse humility and compromise truth.

Leader: Impress on our hearts the values by which You judge.

People: Help us to embrace the values You favor, and the values by which You forgive.

(a time for personal reflection)

Leader: God hears our prayers, has mercy on us, and walks beside us on our journey of faith. My friends, 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

New Testament Reading Matthew 5:3-11

Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Hymn of Reflection "Beatitude Hymn" Screen

Mission Moment

Doxology #94

New Testament Reading James 4:1-10

Anthem "A Lord Built House"

Sermon Rev. Caleb Frazier

Hymn of Commitment "All the People Said Amen" Screen

Benediction

Benediction Response

And all the people said amen

And all the people said amen

Give thanks to the Lord for His love never ends

And all the people said amen

And all the people said amen

Today, we welcome Rev. Caleb Frazier as our guest preacher. Caleb is beginning his 5th year as the director of the ETSU Wesley Foundation.

Children & youth will resume their regular scheduled Wednesday groups on August 2nd. Dinner will be at 5:45 and groups will meet from 6:30-7:30.

The Women's Bible Study will resume on August 8th and Pastor Jodie will lead the study on Moses, which coincides with our Sunday Morning Worship Series "Meeting God." The women meet in the Open Door classroom every Tuesday at 1:00 pm.

If you are interested in being a part of a Habitat for Humanity team build anytime this fall, please put your name down on the contact list in the Narthex.

Pastor Jodie and Pastor Gary will be on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in July. Please pray for them as they follow the footsteps of Jesus.

They will be unavailable until July 25. If you are in need of a visit, call, or prayer, please contact Gerald Fields at (423) 943-4176. If you have a pastoral emergency and need a clergy person, Rev. Caleb Frazier is on call at (423) 330-8143.

The UMW Circles are hosting a trip to the Black Mountain Home for Children on July 27. The church vans will leave at 8:15 am. You can reserve a spot by leaving a message with the church office, but you need to sign up by July 17.

SUMMER YOUTH ACTIVITIES

7/16 11:30-1:30: Lunch and disc golf at ETSU

7/19 11:30-1:30: Sr. High hiking to Margarett Falls

7/23 4:30-6:30: Kiddie Pool kickball with the Cradics

7/30 6:00-8:00: Back to School Splash at Legion St. Pool

For more information, please contact

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