

### Upcoming Meetings & Events

- ◆ 4/2: Men's Bible Study (7:15)  
Women's Bible Study (1:00)
- ◆ 4/3: Wednesday Nighter (5:30)
- ◆ 4/6: UMW Brunch (10:00)
- ◆ 4/7: Lemonade on the Lawn
- ◆ 4/13: Church Work Day (8:30)
- ◆ 4/14: CrAfternoon, Acolyte Training
- ◆ 5/5: Lemonade on the Lawn, UMW Craft/Bake Sale
- ◆ 5/15: final Wednesday Nighter for the season
- ◆ 5/19: Graduate Recognition & Potluck

This Saturday, April 6, there will be a UMW brunch hosted by the Circle of Friends at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Please RSVP to your circle leader so we have a number for food. There is a suggested donation of \$10.

First Church will host Camp in the Community the week of July 1-5. Camp is open to rising kindergarten-8th grade. Registration is now open at [www.campinthecommunity.org/host/johnsoncity](http://www.campinthecommunity.org/host/johnsoncity)

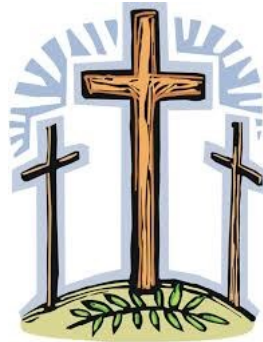
### Food Pantry Items of the Month

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

Prayer Cover: Novice Gross

### Prayer List

Randy & Pat Adams  
Family of Charlee Blackburn  
Laurie Blayney  
Paul Bowman & family  
Bob & Carla Brown  
Catherine Cartus  
Karl Cavanary  
Vernon Crawford  
Eddie Deakins  
Jackie Denny  
Paul Duncan  
Phyllis Eckerson  
Vivian Eckerson  
Tom Eorgan  
Clint Ferguson  
Cecilia Fleckstein  
The Foster Family  
Jim Furches  
Betty & Earl Gouge  
Casey Hamrick  
Nora & Tony Haynes  
Family of Anakin Hoyle  
Scott Huff  
Keith & Jean Jones  
Joyce Josie  
Deni Kiehl  
Tammy Kosa  
Linda Kostreva  
Karen Martin  
Bob & Wanda May  
Kent & Midge Merrill  
Jim & CarolAnne Milliken  
Tom Palmer  
Ruby Payne  
Bob & Athena Peebles  
Carolyn Peeples  
Bobby Seay  
Family of Greg Simmons  
John Staley  
Mike Terry  
J.D. Toth  
John & Susan Trotter  
Steve Uelhof  
Anna Grace West  
Sarah Wilhoit  
Manna House



## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### WORSHIP GUIDE

SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024

### EASTER SUNDAY

**Prelude** "Tocatta on Diademata" Arr. Jerry Westenkuehler

### First Things First

### Call to worship

Leader: The Light that the world tried to extinguish now shines more brightly than ever. The tomb is empty—  
Christ is risen!

**People: Christ is risen indeed!**

Leader: Darkness and despair have been vanquished. Death is destroyed. Christ is risen!

**People: Christ is risen indeed!**

Leader: With joyful voices, we proclaim the good news of the Gospel: Christ is risen!

**People: Christ is risen indeed!**

### Invocation

### Choral Fanfare and Hymn of Praise

"Resurrection Hallelujah"

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today" #302

*Congregation please join when invited*

Affirmation of Faith	Apostles' Creed	#881
<p>I believe in God the Father Almighty,  Maker of heaven and earth;  And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:  Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  Born of the Virgin Mary,  Suffered under Pontius Pilate,  Was crucified, dead, and buried;  The third day he rose from the dead;  He ascended into heaven,  And sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  I believe in the Holy Spirit,  The holy catholic church,  The communion of saints,  The forgiveness of sins,  The resurrection of the body,  And the life everlasting. Amen.</p>		
New Testament Reading		Acts 10:34-43
Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer		
Hymn of Reflection	"Christ is Risen"	Screen
Mission Moment		
Doxology		#94
Gospel Reading		Mark 16:1-8
Anthem	"Hallelujah, what a Savior"	
Sermon	"Go Tell"	Rev. Jodie Ihfe
Hymn of Commitment	"Christ is Alive"	#318, v. 1, 2, & 5
Benediction		

Benediction Response	"Hallelujah Chorus"	Screen
<i>Congregation may join in singing</i>		
Evangeline Hurter		Trumpet
Donna Wilkinson		French Horn
Bradford Hurter		Trombone

The flowers on the altar this morning are given by the Scripture Study Sunday School Class.

Join us on Saturday, April 13 for a church-wide work day. We have projects for all skill levels and abilities. We will begin with breakfast at 8:30. Lunch is also provided.

The UMW will hold a craft and bake sale on Sunday, May 5 in the parlor following worship. Please begin now preparing items for the sale.

Do you have someone in your family graduating from high school, college, or other degree programs? Please let us know by sending the name, school, degree, future plans, and picture of the graduate to [office@1stchurchjc.org](mailto:office@1stchurchjc.org)

**wednesday Night Fellowship**

Program: The Way: walking in the Footsteps of Jesus  
Menu: pork loin, green beans, potatoes, salad, bread, dessert  
Dinner begins at 5:30 and classes begin at 6:30.  
Please make reservations by **Monday, 4/1 at noon** by returning the slip found in the pew pads or by contacting the church office.

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