

Upcoming Meetings & Events

- ◆ 4/7: Lemonade on the Lawn
- ◆ 4/9: Men's Bible Study (7:15)
Women's Bible Study (1:00)
- ◆ 4/10: Wednesday Nighter (5:30)
- ◆ 4/13: Church Work Day (8:30)
- ◆ 4/14: CrAfternoon, Acolyte Training
- ◆ 4/16: Church Council (6:00)
- ◆ 5/5: Lemonade on the Lawn, UMW Craft/Bake Sale
- ◆ 5/15: final Wednesday Nighter for the Season
- ◆ 5/19: Graduate Recognition & Potluck

Kids Crafternoon Fun! Right after worship next Sunday, children and their families are invited to the fellowship hall for lunch and to build birdhouses. There will also be training for beadles, acolytes and crossbearers during the CrAfternoon event.

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

Food Pantry Items of the Month

For the month of April, the Food Pantry is collecting items to supplement food for our neighbors in need. The needed items are peanut butter, cereal, toothpaste, & diapers (size 4 & 5). Donations can be placed in the boxes in the narthex and the connector.

Prayer Cover: Katie Walker

Prayer List

Randy & Pat Adams
Laurie Blayney
Paul Bowman & family
Bob & Carla Brown
Catherine Cartus
Karl Cavanary
Vernon Crawford
Thomas & Elizabeth Crowder
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
Sam & Jin Hopson
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
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, APRIL 7, 2024

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

Prelude "Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain" Arr. Gilbert Martin

First Things First

Call to worship

Leader: The risen Christ stands with us.

People: The risen Christ gives us peace and hope.

Leader: The risen Christ removes our doubts and fears.

People: The risen Christ brings us life and salvation.

Leader: Although we have not seen Him, by the Spirit, we believe.

People: In faith, we now proclaim, "My Lord and my God!"

Invocation

Hymn of Praise "This is Amazing Grace" Screen

Affirmation of Faith The United Church of Canada

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

 Who has created and is creating,
 Who has come in Jesus, the word made flesh,
 To reconcile and make new,
 Who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

 To celebrate God's presence,
 To love and serve others,
 To seek justice and resist evil,
 To proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
 Our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

 God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen

New Testament Reading 1 Peter 1:3-9

Morning Prayer

Hymn of Reflection "Great Redeemer, We Adore Thee" Screen

Mission Moment

Doxology #94

Gospel Reading John 20:19-31

Anthem "The Lord, He is God"

Sermon "Two Sides" Rev. Caleb Frazier

Celebration of Holy Communion

Hymn of Commitment "Thine Be the Glory" #308

Benediction

Benediction Response

 Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son,
 Endless is the victory, thou o'er death hast won.

Today we welcome Rev. Caleb Frazier as our guest preacher. Caleb is the Director of the ETSU Wesley Foundation.

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

Wednesday Night Fellowship

Program: The Way: walking in the Footsteps of Jesus

Menu: taco salad, dessert

Dinner begins at 5:30 and classes begin at 6:30.

Please make reservations by **Monday, 4/8 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.