

### Upcoming Meetings & Events

- ◆ 5/5: UMW Craft/Bake Sale, CrAfternoon, ELC Fun Run
- ◆ 5/7: Men's Bible Study (7:00)  
Women's Bible Study (1:00)
- ◆ 5/8: Wednesday Nighter (5:30)
- ◆ 5/10: Jr. High Lock-In
- ◆ 5/11: Men's Breakfast
- ◆ 5/14: Finance (6:00), Trustees (7:00)
- ◆ 5/15: final Wednesday Nighter for the season
- ◆ 5/19: Graduate Recognition & Potluck

FUMC Youth Ministries is hosting a lock-in for those in grades 6-8 on May 10-11, 7:0pm-7:00 am. Contact bree.rhea@1stchurchjc.org to sign up or for more information.

Kids and their families are welcome to join us for lunch and crafts in the fellowship hall from 11:30-1:30 today.

The Early Learning Center and FUMC would like to invite you to support the Fun Run, a family event at Kermit Tipton Stadium at Science Hill today from 3:00-5:00 pm. There will be multiple running events, games, and activities for all ages. Registration is \$20 for those under 10 and \$30 for all others.

### Food Pantry Items of the Month

For the month of May, the Food Pantry is collecting items to supplement food for our neighbors in need. The needed items are paper towels, peanut butter, & crackers packaged in sleeves. Donations can be placed in the boxes in the narthex and the connector.

Prayer Cover: Steve Gross

### Prayer List

Randy & Pat Adams  
Laurie Blayney  
Paul Bowman & family  
Jim Briggs  
Hugh Broome  
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  
Hannah Hensley  
Sam & Jin Hopson  
Family of Anakin Hoyle  
Scott Huff  
Johnny Humphreys  
Keith & Jean Jones  
Joyce Josie  
Deni Kiehl  
Tammy Kosa  
Linda Kostreva  
Karen Martin  
Bob & Wanda May  
Kent & Midge Merrill  
Jim & CarolAnne Milliken  
Helen Mills  
Jason Mills  
Tom Palmer  
Ruby Payne  
Bob & Athena Peeples  
Carolyn Peeples  
Bobby Seay  
Ann Sharpe  
John Staley  
Family of Mike Terry  
Fran Thomas  
J.D. Toth  
John & Susan Trotter  
Steve Uelhof  
Anna Grace West  
Sarah Wilhoit  
Manna House



## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### WORSHIP GUIDE

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

**Prelude** "Elevation on Martyrdom" Arr. Dennis R. Johnson

**First Things First**

**Call to worship**

Leader: God's steadfast love extends to the heavens.

**People: God's faithfulness reaches to the clouds.**

Leader: When life is good, God is faithful.

**People: when we mess up, God is faithful.**

Leader: When we have doubts, God is faithful.

**People: when we are afraid, God is faithful.**

Leader: Because of God's faithfulness, we are not abandoned.

**People: with faith and joy, we lift our praise to God.**

**Invocation**

**Hymn of Praise**

"How Firm a Foundation"

#529

## Affirmation of Faith

"A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church" #885

We believe in the one God,  
Creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations,  
The source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love.

We believe in Jesus Christ,  
God manifest in the flesh,  
Our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength.

We believe in the forgiveness of sins,  
In the life of love and prayer,  
And in grace equal to every need.

We believe in the word of God  
Contained in the Old and New Testaments  
As the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice.

We believe in the church,  
Those who are united in the living Lord  
For the purpose of worship and service.

We believe in the reign of God  
As the divine will realized in human society,  
And in the family of God,

where we are all brothers and sisters.  
We believe in the final triumph of righteousness  
And in the life everlasting. Amen

New Testament Reading Galatians 2:15-21

Morning Prayer

Hymn of Reflection "Great is Thy Faithfulness" #140

Mission Moment

Doxology #94

Gospel Reading Matthew 26:31-35, 69-75

Anthem "Dreamers and Doubters"

Sermon "I Will Not Deny You" Rev. Gary Ihfe

Celebration of Holy Communion

Hymn of Commitment "Cornerstone" Screen

Benediction

Benediction Response

Christ alone cornerstone  
Weak made strong in the Savior's love  
Through the storm He is Lord  
Lord of all

Make sure to stop by the parlor after worship today to support the UMW Craft and Bake Sale! Lots of baked goods and crafts as well as vintage/gently used purses will be for sale by donation. Proceeds will go to the Salvation Army.

This year's Hands-On Mission Project for the Three Rivers District is "Backpacks for Liberia." \$20 sponsors a backpack full of supplies for a student at a United Methodist school in Liberia. Donations are due today!

The New Moms Group is hosting a get together on Friday, May 10 at 5:30 at Powell Square Park. Bring the whole family for fun and food! Please contact office@1stchurchjc.org if you plan to attend so we have enough food.

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 Also, we are collecting cards for our graduates, due May 12:

Calais Bookins (Science Hill)

Amaris Bradley (University School)

J'Tarius "JT" Golder (Science Hill)

Macy Shell (Science Hill)

JaMichael "Moley" Vaughn (Science Hill)

Emma Berning (Northeast State & Tri-Cities Academy of Aesthetics)

There will be a Finance meeting on Tuesday, May 14 at 6:00 pm in the Conference Room.

### wednesday Night Fellowship

Program: Methodism 101

Menu: spaghetti, salad, bread, dessert

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

Please make reservations by **Monday, 5/6 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.*