

# Welcome

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

- I am a Visitor
- I am interested in membership
- I would like a visit from the minister
- Please note my change of address

## PRAYER REQUEST

*(Place in the Offering Plate or give to the Pastor.)*

I ask your prayers for:

\_\_\_\_\_

Prayer Request:

\_\_\_\_\_

May we send this person a note of encouragement?    \_\_\_ yes    \_\_\_ no

If yes, please include their address:

\_\_\_\_\_

May we include this in the prayer list for next week's bulletin?    \_\_\_ yes    \_\_\_ no

Person making request \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_



Join the Youth of First Church for worship and fun this evening from 4 - 6 p.m. in the Activity Room. Tonight, we're going shopping for food to make 50 additional bags for Corner Table. All 6th -12th graders are welcome to join us.



**KIDS 4 CHRIST** meets on Wednesdays from 3-5:30 p.m. in the Activity Room. Children ages K-6th grade are welcome anytime. We have snacks, crafts, science, dramas, outside play and even some homework time!



### Nursery:

For children up to 4 years  
8:30 a.m. - 12 noon (Level 1)

### Sunday School:

For children 3 years - 5th Grade from  
10 - 10:45 a.m. on Level 1

### Children's Church:

K to 2nd Graders leave the Sanctuary for a worship program during the 11 a.m. service & head to the Children's Church Rm located on Level 1.

### Children's Sacks:

Located at the entrances of the Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall.

## A LOOK AHEAD . . .

### Monday, May 7

Methodist Women 2 p.m.  
Gomedela Room

### Tuesday, May 8

Please note that our May Church Council Meeting is special this month. Our meeting will begin at 4 p.m. @ ECCCM with Council taking a tour of the facility. **Council will then meet at 5:15 p.m. in the Gomedela Room.**

### Tuesday, May 8

J.O.Y. Volunteer Meeting 2 p.m.  
in the Fellowship Hall

### Thursday, May 10

J.O.Y. Just Older Youth 9:30 a.m.  
Fellowship Hall

## FIRST CHURCH STAFF

Lara "Willis" Greene, Pastor  
Julie Braswell, Church Administrator  
Sarah Luhrs, Choir Director  
John Coffey, Organist  
Michael Roberts, Praise Team  
Kristi Spencer, Communications  
Kristi Harvell, Preschool Director

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# First United Methodist Church

*A Church that Loves All People into a Relationship with Jesus Christ*  
Becoming one diverse community passionately worshipping Jesus & practicing unprecedented acts of hospitality.

May 6, 2018 • 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Prelude

Welcome

\*Call to Worship

Dwaine Morgan (8:30)  
Polly Pearson (11:00)

Leader: God calls us to a feast!

**People: The table is set,  
and we will come from east and west,  
from north and south to sit at Christ's table.**

Leader: Compassion, love, and grace are poured out like fine wine.

**People: We come to share our stories and God's story,  
to share our hope and our pain,  
to share our wisdom and our laughter.**

Leader: The table is set, so come let us worship God together!

\*Hymn, No. 617

*I Come with Joy* (8:30 verses 1)

\*Affirmation of Faith, No. 881    The Apostles' Creed (8:30 & 11:00)

**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.**

\*The Gloria Patri (11:00)

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

Anthem

*A Joyous Psalm*

Eugene Butler

*\*Please stand in praise of God if you are able.*

Invitation to Prayer (11:00)

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (8:30 & 11:00)

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Children's Sermon (11:00)

Julie Braswell

\*Passing of the Peace Hymn, No. 133 (11:00)

*Children 3 years old-2nd grade are invited to follow the leaders downstairs to the Children's Dept.*

**What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms. Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms; leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

Scripture:

Selected Verses

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Message

Rev. Lara "Willis" Greene

***Lessons from a Trip Home***

- A Few Good Ones
- Soft Eyes
- The Two Unchanging Things

Moment of Reflection (11:00)

Holy Communion (8:30 & 11:00)

*Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit*

**make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,**

*until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.*

Service of Giving (8:30 & 11:00)

*\*Please stand in praise of God if you are able.*

\*Doxology Hymn, No. 94

**Praise God, from who all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*Hymn, No. 140 (11:00) *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

\*Benediction (11:00)

\*Chimes of the Holy Trinity (11:00)

\*Postlude (11:00)

\*Benediction (8:30)

**The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Amen**

*Number 6:24-26*



The Altar Flowers are given in memory of Lana Lynch by John and Brenda Haire.

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

Paula Williams, Reid Ikerd, Nancy Killian, the Family of Bernice Allen, Ronnie & Juanita Setzer, Jane Benfield and her Family, Treeva Sweezy, Megan Sullivan

**Military:** Scott Beal, Taylor Bean, Ethan Branton, Todd Houtz, Michael Howard, Tai Orange, David Parker, Camaron Sills, President Trump

**TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME FRIDAY MAY 11 @ 7 P.M.**

First Church has reserved 75 seats to enjoy a night of baseball featuring the Hickory Crawdads vs Columbia Fireflies. Tickets are \$6 per person. To reserve your tickets, call the church office at 828-464-8422. Reservation **DEADLINE** is TOMORROW Monday, May 7 at noon. *Special thanks to Quint Ervin for arranging this church outing!*



**VIOLIN & PIANO RECITAL**

You're invited **TONIGHT at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary** at First Church to a recital featuring Diana Stone, violin, John Coffey, piano, and Stone's Throw, a Celtic group from Hickory.

*Mother's Day*  
**Special Bulletin**

The Faith Builder's Sunday School Class will sponsor a special Mother's Day bulletin. You may honor or remember a mother, grandmother, or that person who is very special to you by filling out the enclosed envelope and returning it to the church office along with \$1 for each person honored or remembered. Please use a separate form for each name.

**TODAY IS THE DEADLINE!**

**JOY** THURSDAY  
JUST OLDER YOUTH May 10

Refreshments at 9:30 a.m. Program begins at 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

**PROGRAM:**

Gail McRee will discuss the many hats we wear - from birth to our crown of glory. Wear your favorite hat!

**LUNCH MENU:**

Hamburgers, Potato Salad, Chips, Homemade Desserts. *RSVP to the church office (828-464-8422) by noon on Tuesday, May 8.*

For more information contact Bev Underwood at 828-465-0481.

**NAME:**

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**# Attending:** \_\_\_\_\_