

This week's liturgical color is green which symbolizes our time for growth in faith as we follow the teachings and ministry of Christ. This season which is known as "ordinary time" starts after Pentecost and ends at the Christmas season.

Prelude:

Lighting of the Candles

Jesus said: "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12). The presence of the light reminds us of Jesus' coming into our world and into our lives. The light is carried into the worship service as a symbol of Jesus' coming into the presence of the worshipping community.

Call to Worship:

We gather today to worship the One who created us,
the One who calls us,
the One who equips us,
the One who loves us without end.
With joyful hearts, let us worship God.

Announcements and Highlights from our last Board Meeting (*noted within the bulletin)

A Time for Prayer:

Scripture on Prayer: Psalm 69:13 (CEB)

¹³But me? My prayer reaches you, LORD,
at just the right time.
God, in your great and faithful love,
answer me with your certain salvation

Congregational Prayer

O Lord, we lift our eyes to see your glory. We open our hearts to receive your love. We engage our minds to understand your truths. We offer our songs to praise your name. Lord, as we give you our lives, please take everything that we are, so that we may reveal your blessings to the world. In Jesus Name, AMEN.

Opening Hymn: Amazing Grace

No. 378

Scripture Reading: Psalm 150 (CEB)

¹Praise God in his sanctuary!
Praise God in his fortress, the sky!
²Praise God in his mighty acts!
Praise God as suits his incredible greatness!
³Praise God with the blast of the ram's horn!
Praise God with lute and lyre!
⁴Praise God with drum and dance!

Praise God with strings and pipe!
⁵Praise God with loud cymbals!
Praise God with clashing cymbals!
⁶Let every living thing praise the LORD!
Praise the LORD!

This is the word of God for the people of God,
Thanks be to GOD!

Gloria Patri

No. 70

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.
A-men. A-men.

Children's Moment: Led by Beth Hagan

At this time, children can come forward or you can bring your child to the front pew to hear and participate in the children's reflection.

The Presentation of Tithes and Offering

(Thank you for your generosity!)

Ushers: Men's Team (Rob M., Gary H., Dennis A., and Spencer Q.)

Offertory Prayer:

Lord Jesus,
As you fed 5000 from the gifts of a young boy, we pray that you will transform our gifts to spiritually feed many spiritually hungry people through the ministry and mission of this church. Amen.

Offertory Music:

Doxology:

No. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above the Heavenly Host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Anthem: When We All Get To Heaven

Sermon: "Pay Attention to What God is Doing" Luke 10:38-42

Response to the Word: The Apostles Creed

No. 881

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 of life everlasting. Amen.

Closing Hymn: Up From The Grave He Arose

No. 322

Benediction

May the Lord watch between me and thee while we are absent one from another. AMEN!

Postlude:

Sending Forth/Extinguishing of the Candles: At the end of the service, the light is carried out into the world to show that Jesus Christ is for all people everywhere. The acolyte leaves the worship service at the pastor's direction, carrying our the lighted candlelighter. This symbolizes the light of Jesus Christ going out into the world where believers are to serve.

*****NOTE*****
Special thanks to Jan Tate for playing this morning.

United Methodists in the Holston Conference have a unique opportunity on each FIFTH SUNDAY of the year to share in the ministry to children through Holston United Methodist Home for Children. Since 1895, children in crisis have looked to the church for help through the ministry of Holston Home. Your generous gift on July 31st will make a difference!

Announcements

Adult Sunday School is on Sunday at 10 am.

Youth Gathering is canceled today.

Book Study and Discussion is canceled for Monday.

Apprentice Study is canceled for Tuesday.

Choir Practice is canceled for Wednesday.

Meet and Greet—There is an opportunity for you to meet our new District Superintendent Jeff Lambert and his wife, Tammi at 3 pm at Jonesville First UMC. Light refreshments will be available at both gatherings.

Little VBS —Thank you all for participating in this event. Everyone did a wonderful job and the students had a great time learning about the love of God. The creativity and talent that I saw from our volunteers was amazing. During our three day school, we had nine to thirteen kids each day. Also, we had twenty-five volunteers which made this event special. Please help me thank all and we thank you for your prayers and monetary support of our church!

United Methodist Men—We had a great gathering with 16 men in attendance. Pastor Jim Mitchell shared from Jeremiah 29:11 to encourage us to always trust that God has a plan for our lives. Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 8th at 6 pm. All men are welcome to attend!

An evening of spiritual refreshing, communion, and healing—On Tuesday July 26th at 6 pm, we will have a special evening service that you will not want to miss. We will gather for communion, praise, and healing prayer. John Powers will be sharing devotions and will be leading us in worship and song. All are welcome to attend!

John Powers has served as Music Director for Kingsley United Methodist Church in the Bloomingdale section of Kingsport for the past 27 years. His home is in Mount Carmel, TN, and he is a retired English teacher. Born in Greensville, TN, John and his family moved with his father, a United Methodist minister, to many different churches and parsonages. John has been a member of ten different UM Churches, but none longer than six years except for Kingsley. He has served as Music Director for four UM Churches, including Coeburn UMC. He lived in Wise County from 1967-72 as a youth, and after graduating Emory & Henry College in 1980, returned to Wise County for six years before moving to Tennessee. He has taught in all three public schools in Coeburn, Powell Valley High School, and both schools in Norton, serving as band director and music teacher one semester. Between high school jobs, John taught one semester each at Mountain Empire Community College (writing) and Clinch Valley College (music), and served one year as assistant librarian for Clinch Valley College. He holds a Masters Degree in Education and English from Virginia Tech. John loves the outdoors and has been a volunteer leader with the Boy Scouts of America for the past 41 years. He has two sisters and all three siblings are very active in their churches, including worship and speaking. John has been at our church many times, usually for district functions, and most recently for an Eagle Scout board review in March 2020.

Stewardship Sunday and Planned Giving Seminar—On Sunday, July 31st, Paul Bowman who is the president of the Holston Foundation will be visiting our church. During his visit, he will be preaching, presenting an oversized check, and after the worship service lead a small group. During the small group time, those who attend will learn more impactful ways that they can be a financial blessing to our church. If you are interested in learning more and plan to attend this seminar, please let the office staff know so that we can plan for lunch.

Blessing Box—We are grateful that Daniel Goodman installed a blessing food box on our church property. We pray that he will achieve his goal in becoming an eagle scout. If you want to leave any items in the blessing box, you can fill the box with the suggested items: Canned food with ring-pulls, socks, mittens, hand warmers, crackers, toilet paper, non-perishable foods, bottled water, toothbrushes, toothpaste, baby wipes, and hand soap.

Highlights from our last Administrative Board Meeting:

- The next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, August 7th. A July financial report will be made available for those who are interested.
- Minor repairs are in the process of being done mostly on the second level of the church. These repairs include repairing the light fixtures and the replacing of doorknobs. Also, there are plans for the kitchen exhaust fan to be serviced and for the pesky leaking kitchen faucet to be repaired.
- Due to the rise of interruptions during church services and activities, the need to make our time together safer can no longer be ignored by us. With the approval of The Board, Pastor Tim will be recruiting people to create a church security team. If you are interested, please contact Tim.

Mailing Addresses of our long distant friends and members:

- Bill and Judy Cole
100A Varne Circle
Farmville, VA 23901
- Sandra Marshall
547 Callaway Court
Chattanooga, TN 37421

*Offering Stewards for July 2022

July 24th— Pat B., Sandra R., Lana P., and Erin H.
July 31st— Daniel W., John H., Ruben A., and Fred H.

*Children's Moment for July 2022

July 24th—Kim Parsons
July 31st—Diane Botts

UPS Back Pack Program

Don't forget that each month we are going to Restock the Shelves for the Union Primary School During the months of June and July, cash donations will be taken to stock the pantry for the start of school.

Cash donations are worth \$.12 more on the dollar due to tax exemption plus ability to buy in bulk.



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“ONLY ONE THING
IS IMPORTANT.
MARY HAS CHOSEN
THE BETTER THING,
AND IT WILL NEVER
BE TAKEN AWAY
FROM HER.”

LUKE 10:42, NCV

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