CHILDREN'S CORNER

Children are always welcome in worship and we embrace their presence, their joy and the fun things they often do & say as we worship. However, if your child is actively upset we would invite you to take them into the gathering area to be calmed down. You are also welcome to take advantage of our nursery which is down the hall for children 6 months-3 years old. All children who are ages 4-10 may participate in a children's church ministry called First Steps following the Children's Moment. They will enjoy a snack, an activity or craft, and a lesson based on the sermon text. Lastly, we have crayons and children's bulletins available in the gathering area for those who would like to be creative during worship.

Ignite & Youth Supper 5/14/25 Carol McKenzie, Jennifer McKenzie and Peggy Wengert



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Attendance Last Sunday In-Person: 101 On-line: 4 Sunday General Giving

\$4,210.00

Sunday Designated Giving \$2,950.00

Sunday Pass Thru/Other Giving \$0

(Vanco Fees-General) \$0

Total Giving for May \$7,160.00

Needed monthly \$23,866.50

Flowers: Mother's Day

Coffee Bar: Janet Tweed

Lay Leader: Lee Anne Strickland

Usher Team: Jeff McMillan and

Wes Hibbert

Production Team: Steve Tweed, Regina Warfel, Carter Kennedy, Briley Williford and Tate Sherrer

Pianist: Bev Taylor **Organist:** Mary Alice Huff

Rev. Chris Black Pastor

Nikki Rutzen

Executive Assistant

Sue Hamilton

Director of Congregational Care & Choir Ministries

Erin Strickland

First Steps Coordinator

First United Methodist Church

May 11, 2025 Fourth Sunday of Easter *Mother's Day*



"The Faith of A Mother" 2 Timothy 1: 1-10

Welcome! We pray that worship here at First United Methodist Church is a blessing for you, as your presence blesses us. Our mission here at First United Methodist Church is to make discipleship of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. If you would like to learn more about our church and its ministries you can find a copy of the church newsletter, welcoming brochures, and devotionals in the gathering area. There are also refreshments available at our coffee bar. Please fill out the clipboard at the end of your row to register your attendance and tell us a little more about you.

"Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord."

ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 11, 2025 10:30AM

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us this morning. Whether this is your church home or the first time that you have entered our doors, we extend a warm welcome to you.

₩ Please stand as you are able

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lee Anne Strickland

(At this time please register your in-person attendance on the clipboards placed on each pew or if you are watching on-line register at www.1umcm.com)

INVITATION TO PASS THE PEACE

"May the Peace of Christ be with you....and also with you."

TRINITY CHIMES

SUNG CALL TO WORSHIP

"To God Be The Glory" #98/Screen

WORDS OF INVITATION

- L: Alleluia, Christ is Risen!
- P: The Lord is risen in deed. Alleluia!
- L: Blessing and honor is yours, O God.
- P: Glory to God forever. Alleluia!

HYMN OF PRAISE "Easter People, Raise Your Voices" #304/Screen

★ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed UMH #881

₩ GLORIA PATRI #70

CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that we have strayed from your paths of right relationship and peace, and we have dishonored you, ourselves, and your creation: we repent of these hurtful ways. Forgive us, we pray, as we learn to forgive others, and guide our feet into the way of peace.

Amen.

silence for personal confession

Sermon Notes

We hope you use this space for reflections and reminders from the sermon, or throughout the service.

Prayer Requests for 5/11/25

The printed requests will stay in our bulletin for 2 weeks and then will be moved to our ongoing prayer list on our website.

- Jennifer Waller (Houvenagle friend)
- John Reiner (Kahiti friend)
- Travis Frye and family
- Janet Tweed's nephew
- Sharon Brown in the death of her father Mr. Dossett
- Diane Riley (health) (Marlee Tierce's friend)
- Bonnie Brown's friend Ms. Melton (health)
- The family of Bernice Jones (Community Cafe friend and Bonnie Brown's neighbor)
- ◆ Lee Pitts (health) and family (Dopkins' son-in-law)
- Judy Short (health) (Kathy Isbill's friend)
- Wanda Williford (health) (Bethany, Britney and Briley's grandmother)
- Jimmy Liszeski (health) (mother of Walter and grandmother of Zander and Zeke)
- Alvin and Rose Williams (health) (Alford neighbors)
- Connie Carione (health) (Sandy Hibbert's sister)
- ♦ Lucille Peery (health) and family
- Quinn Strickland (knee issues) and family
- Lousie and Ben Ritchie (health) (Lucas Killen's family)
- Ruppel family
- Brett and Karen McCue (Ruppel family)
- Kefauver family
- Kayla Couch and family
- John and Judy Maiuri
- Charlie and Phyllis Harrell and family
- Unspoken Prayers



CELEBRATING OUR 2025 GRADUATES!!



Chevenne Cruz

Chevenne is graduating from Tellico Plains High School Cum Laude and with distinction.

She plans to attend Tennessee Weslevan University majoring in Nursing.

Russ Grubb

Russ is graduating from the Maryville Christian School ISP program and will be attending TCAT Knoxville for HVAC Services.



Ruby Levinson



Ruby is graduating from Tellico Plains High School with honors. She has been accepted into the University of Tennessee where she plans to study Chemistry.

Tate Sherrer

Tate is graduating from Tellico Plains High School. He plans to attend a community college to major in Business/Finance.





Britney Williford

Britney is graduating with honors and distinction, Summa Cum Laude from Tellico Plains High School.

She will be attending Middle Tennessee State University for Digital Marketing.

Your giving allows us to have a **Youth Ministry Program!**

Your monthly giving allows our budget to support a youth ministry program that has a strong track record of making disciples of Christ. Jerry & Vanessa Barr with other adult volunteers offer a time of fellowship, shared meal, prayer, games and a lesson each Wednesday night in our church. The youth take part in outreach through mission & spiritual growth during retreats like Resurrection. The devotion of our volunteer leaders, coupled with your financial support, makes it possible for us to continue to make disciples like the graduates listed above.

Are you interested in participating in a hand bell choir?

All interested individuals are invited regardless of age or experience in ringing bells. First meeting of the hand bell enthusiasts will be held on Sunday, June 22nd at 3:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. If you are willing to give this a try, whether you can attend the first meeting or not, please contact Marlee Tierce: email mtierce@aol.com or text 678-525-0348 or call 423-884-2196.

Our Church has stepped up in Missions!

This year our Hiwassee District Hands On Mission Project goal was 50 food buckets and at last count our community has collected 61! As a church body we have responded in an incredible way to support the Holston Conference's ongoing mission to Liberia. The new goal for our church is 70 buckets. We can do it! Your food buckets have to be here by May 12th. If you are interested in making a bucket please grab a pink instruction slip and bucket from the gathering area.

Looking ahead to the next **Holston Annual Conference**

As we prepare for the 2025 Holston Annual Conference, we are excited to announce this year's theme: Together in New Beginnings. This theme reflects our shared commitment to moving forward as one body in Christ, embracing the opportunities and challenges that come with stepping into a new season of ministry and mission. The 2025 Annual Conference will take place June 1-4, 2025, at the beautiful Lake Iunaluska Conference and Retreat Center in North Carolina. Surrounded by the tranquility of the lake and the grandeur of the mountains, this beloved gathering space will once again host clergy and laity from across the Holston Conference. We look forward to seeing how God will move among us as we journey Together in New Beginnings.

PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. *Thy kinadom 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.*

HYMN "He Lives" #310/Screen

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Chris Black

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INVITATION TO OFFERING

(During this time we worship by the giving of our gifts and offerings for the work of the church in ministry and mission. For those who are watching online, you may mail your aifts to First United Methodist Church. PO Box 157. *Madisonville, TN 37354 or go to www.tithing.1umcm.com)*

OFFERTORY

"Family of God"

CHANCEL CHOIR

₩ DOXOLOGY

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SCRIPTURE

2 Timothy 1: 1-10

L: The Word of God, for the People of God. P: Thanks be to God.

"The Faith of A Mother" **SERMON**

Rev. Chris Black

★ CLOSING HYMN

"For The Beauty of The Earth"

#92/Screen

***** BENEDICTION

★ BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Let The Peace of Christ Rule In Your Heart"

Screen

***** TRINITY CHIMES

POSTLUDE

Serve the Lord this week where you are able!