First United Methodist Church

Second Sunday after the Epiphany January 26, 2020



"Need More Salt?!?"
Matthew 5:11-20

Order of Worship Third Sunday after the Epiphany

January 26, 2020 11:00 AM

ENTRANCE

PRELUDE

Enter quietly to prepare your heart to worship God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS and WELCOME

(During this time, please register your attendance in the white notebook that can be found at the end of each row and pass it down and back.) "May the Peace of Christ be with you. . . . and also with you."

TRINITY CHIMES

*CALL TO WORSHIP "This Is the Day" Page # 657
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L: O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together?

P: For with Thee is the fountain of life; in Thy light do we see light.

L: Light dawns for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

P: From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised!

(from the 1965 **Book of Worship**)

*HYMN OF PRAISE "To God Be the Glory" Page # 98

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from I Corinthians 15 Page # 888

*GLORIA PATRI Page # 70

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAISES and PRAYERS

CALL TO PRAYER "Surely the Presence" Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER
THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OF MEDITATION "O How I Love Jesus" Page # 170
CHILDREN'S TIME "The Sign of the Fish" Pastor Keith

OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY Reba Hall

(During this time we worship by the giving of our gifts and offerings for the work of the church in ministry and mission.)

*DOXOLOGY "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Page # 94

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE Matthew 5:11-20

Leader: The Word of God, for the People of God

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON "Need More Salt?!?" Rev. Keith G. Knight

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN OF INVITATION "This Little Light of Mine" Page # 585

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "This Little Light of Mine" (Chorus) Page # 585

TRINITY CHIMES

POSTLUDE Depart to serve the Lord.

Children are welcome to sit with their families in worship.

If you prefer, our nursery/toddler room is available for

Infant thru Pre-Kindergarten during Worship.

INVITE SOMEONE TO CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY!

^{*}Please stand in body or in spirit

Matthew 5:11-20	0
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- I. "REJOICE IN INSULTS" 5:11-12
 - A. YOU MUST UNDERSTAND—
 - 1. PERSECUTION in Jesus' day and in the Early Church:

We have nothing like it in America today. The ancient Romans had

Emperor W: "CAESAR IS LORD."

Christians said: "JESUS CHRIST IS LORD" instead.

- B. We do not have anything to compare to that in America \ today.
 - 1. We can tell stories of Christians in communist China being persecuted. . .
 - 2. And yet, we DO have <u>PERSECUTION</u>— of SORTS in America.

 Jesus said, "Blessed are you when people INSULT YOU...."
 - 3. JESUS WAS SAYING: "Don't be fooled. It is not easy to be a

 _____ of mine; it is not easy to be a Christian. People will say

 MEAN ____ about you. You will face Temptations you might

 not if you were not my follower."
- II. SALTY PEOPLE, BRIGHT PEOPLE
 - A. "You are the salt of the earth." NOW, what is SALT good for?
 - 1. As we mentioned before, salt can be a
 - 1) <u>FLAVORING</u>; or a
 - 2) PRESERVATIVE.

2. Strictly speaking, **SALT cannot become** " *UN* ." 3. But it can be CONTAMINATED by other Poisonous chemicals, and through improper use, so as to become \underline{U} . 4. JESUS was giving His Disciples a WARNING. "You can become \underline{C} by the world " B. "You are the LIGHT OF THE WORLD." 1. Jesus didn't He said: "YOU ARE the LIGHT of the World." 2. The Choice you have is: WILL I S for Christ, or try to hide what I have in Christ?? 3. **JESUS** wants us to be W to the people of the world that "Jesus alone saves, and the JOY of salvation is greater than any **thing."** WE must point the way to the S to people around us. 4. St. Francis of Assisi was a famous witness for Christ and servant of others for Jesus' sake. He once said, "Be a W for Christ

CONCLUSION—

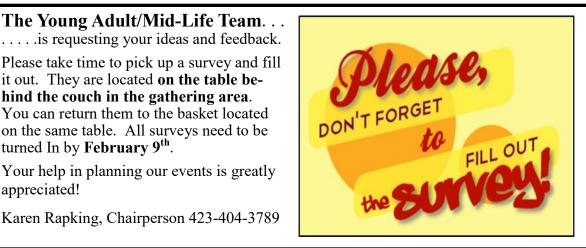
The Young Adult/Mid-Life Team. . .

. . . . is requesting your ideas and feedback.

it out. They are located on the table behind the couch in the gathering area. You can return them to the basket located on the same table. All surveys need to be turned In by February 9th.

Your help in planning our events is greatly appreciated!

Karen Rapking, Chairperson 423-404-3789



We Support Our Church By:

Our Service This Week

Ushers: Mark & Nicholas Radosevich,

Ray Nelson

Acolytes: Alexis Jones

Leliah Pyros

Lay Reader: Kathy Hall

Flowers:

Trustee: Kevin Taylor

Coffee Bar: Laurie McNeece and

Richard Beaubien

Janet Tweed is coordinating our coffee bar. If you would like to provide goodies and host the coffee bar please see her and/or sign up on the sign-up sheet at the coffee bar.

Our Presence Last Week:

Sunday School 44 Worship 103

Our Gifts for January:

General Fund

Needed for monthly budget \$20,862 Received January 5th —19th \$16,819

Building Fund

Needed for mortgage payment \$4,034 Received January 5th —19th \$10,918

Memorial Fund

Memorial Garden Fund in Jan \$.00

Prayer Requests for January 26th

Please remember to keep all of these members and friends along with their families in your prayers.

our youth and leaders as they return home today from Resurrection 2020

Jim Leamon (Lois Green's son-in-law)

Forest Hill Baptist Church, Maryville building fire

Tonya Wells Spires (friend of Karen Rapking) the family that lost a 3 month old baby the son of the Tellico Plains school librarian

workers who are underpaid

Margaret & Bob Marshall

Wanda Barger

Irad Lee

Dwaine & Carolyn Peters

Gene Carson

Clifton Greenwood

and the families of

Sammy Roy (friend of the Hamilton family)

Pete Hambaugh (Barbara Pennington's nephew)

We have moved some of our long time prayer requests to the newsletter prayer request list. If you know of someone who needs to be on the weekly bulletin list please let us know





Happenings at First UMC for the Week of January 26th

Be sure to mark your calendar for these events!

TODAY	Sunday School Worship Service The Class Meeting book study will meet today after worship in the conference room. Resurrection Please keep our youth and leaders in your prayers as they return home this afternoon.	10:00 AM 11:00 AM
<u>TUESDAY</u>	Community Supper This is our week to provide the meal at the Madisonville Presbyterian Church. Needed are: sweet potatoes, green bean casserole, corn pudding, cole slaw, dinner rolls, drinks, desserts and people to serve and clean up. Please let Dora Nelson or Kay Grubb know how you can help.	
WEDNESDAY	Youth/IGNITE Supper Hosts: United Methodist Men Choir Practice	6:00 PM 7:00 PM
NEXT SUNDAY	Sunday School Worship Service Children & Youth Ministry Team in the youth room	10:00 AM 11:00 AM 6:00 PM

Coming Soon

Sun, Feb 9	United Methodist Men's Breakfast 8:30 AM at Fat Stacks
Mon, Feb 10	Trustees 6 PM in the conference room
Tue, Feb 11	Finance Committee 6 PM in the conference room
Sun, Feb 16	United Methodist Women 9:30 AM in the fellowship hall
Thu, Feb 20	Prayer Ministry Team 6:30 PM in the conference room
Sun, Feb 23	Hamilton/Bottoms Wedding Shower 2-4 PM in the gathering area hosted by the United Methodist Women. They are registered at Walmart and Belk.
	Hiwassee District Training 2:30—5 PM at Allen Memorial UMC, Athens "Community Engagement" - Putting the Pieces Together
	More info will be out soon.

Together with their families

Mikayla Elizabeth Bottoms &

Gary Stephen Grant Hamilton

request the pleasure
of your company
at the celebration of their marriage
Saturday, the fourteenth of March
two thousand and twenty
at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

Calvary Baptist Church 115 County Road 78 Riceville, TN 37370

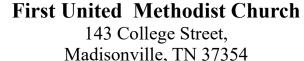
Reception to follow.



Please RSVP by February 10, 2020 via text message or phone call at

423-381-1990 or 423-381-1594

We look forward to celebrating with you!



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