

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”

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

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”

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from I Corinthians 15

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*GLORIA PATRI

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

*DOXOLOGY	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”	Page # 94
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PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE	Matthew 5:11-20
<i>Leader:</i>	<i>The Word of God, for the People of God</i>
People:	Thanks be to God.

SERMON	“Need More Salt?!?”	Rev. Keith G. Knight
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SENDING FORTH

*HYMN OF INVITATION	“This Little Light of Mine”	Page # 585
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***BENEDICTION**

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE	“This Little Light of Mine” (Chorus)	Page # 585
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TRINITY CHIMES

POSTLUDE	<i>Depart to serve the Lord.</i>
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**Please stand in body or in spirit*

*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!

“Need More Salt?!?”

January 26, 2020

Matthew 5:11-20

INTRODUCTION—

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 **PERSECUTION**— 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

D of mine; it is not easy to be a Christian. People will say
MEAN T 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) **FLAVORING**; 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 U_____.
4. JESUS was giving His Disciples a WARNING. “**You can become** 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 wherever you go. When necessary, use** W_____ .”

CONCLUSION—

The Young Adult/Mid-Life Team. . .
 is requesting your ideas and feedback.

Please take time to pick up a survey and fill 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 Rapping)

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 news-
letter 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!

<u>TODAY</u>	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.	
<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	Youth/IGNITE Supper Hosts: United Methodist Men Choir Practice	6:00 PM 7:00 PM
<u>NEXT SUNDAY</u>	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 <i>"Community Engagement" - Putting the Pieces Together</i> 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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