

An Order for the Worship of God

13th Sunday after Pentecost September 8, 2019 8:30 & 10:45 a.m. Paraments – Green

**Please stand as you are able. Please remember to turn off cell phones and pagers.*

Vision Statement of First-Centenary United Methodist Church:

Build a healthy and diverse community of disciples of Jesus Christ.

Gathering Music Mrs. Trish Foy

Invocation

Opening Voluntary *Just As I Am* Dale Wood

***Call to Worship** (8:30) Shannon Smith (10:45) Ed Nanney

Leader: Come, let us worship Almighty God.

All: Let us lift up our songs, our prayers, our praises.

Leader: Come, let us honor Christ Jesus.

All: Let us love Christ with our hearts, our minds, our spirits.

Leader: Come, let us be filled with the Spirit of the Living God.

All: Breathe in us, Breath of God. Alleluia.

***Hymn 102** *Now Thank We All Our God*

Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 (please be seated)

Prayer

Dear God our Creator,
you have fashioned us carefully with your hands.

We have come to offer you our worship and praise.

You know us better than we know ourselves,
and you alone comprehend the value
of every creature and all that exists.

Help us become all that we were created to be,
and help us to love you and our neighbors
with all that we are.

Forgive us when we seek your blessings for ourselves,
while hesitating to heed your call to serve others.

Correct us when we dwell on what we lack,
while neglecting to share what we have received.

Free us to live and to love
as generously as you have loved us.

We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

Anthem *Lord, Here Am I* John Ness Beck
Bobbie Howell, solo

Savior, Thou callest, I gladly obey;
only direct me, and I'll find Thy way.
Teach me the mission appointed for me,
what is my labor, and where it shall be.

Refrain: Savior, Thou callest, and this I reply,
"Ready and willing, Lord, here am I."

Willing, my Savior, to take up the cross;
willing to suffer reproaches and loss.
Willing to follow, if Thou wilt but lead;
only support me with grace in my need. [Refrain]

Living, or dying I still would be Thine;
yet I am mortal while Thou art divine.
Pardon, whenever I turn from the right;
pity, and bring me again to the light. [Refrain]

(words by Fannie Crosby)

Call to Prayer

The Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Barry Kidwell

Response to Prayer

Time for Children

Ritual of Friendship

(Please sign the attendance pad and pass it along your pew.)

Receiving the Morning Tithes and Offerings

(Prayer request cards may also be placed in the offering plates.)

Anthem (8:30) *Have Thine Own Way, Lord* arr. J. Cook

(10:45) *Come, and Be Among Us, Lord* L. Larson
The Chancel Choir

O come and be among us, Lord, today.

O come and be among us, Lord, we pray.

We are gathered in this place for a glimpse of Your dear face.

Come and be among us, Lord, today.

O come and touch us with Your healing power.

O come and touch us, Lord, this very hour.

We are gathered in Your name and we'll never be the same.

Come and touch us with Your healing power.

Come and dwell within our hearts, Lord, today.

Come and dwell within our hearts, Lord, we pray.

Let Your Spirit like a dove murmur peace and gentle love.

Come and dwell within our hearts today.

O come and make our willing lives Your own.

O come and make our humble hearts Your throne.

We are holy vessels, Lord, when Your grace in us is poured.

Come and make our willing lives Your own.

Come and be among us, Lord, today.

(Words by Mary Kay Beall)

*Doxology (#95)

***Hymn** *Spirit of the Living God* D. Iverson/L. Alexander

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.

Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.

Cleanse me, teach me, hold me, reach me.

Soul of heaven, heart of God, wash over me.

Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear.

Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear.

Shield me, free me, call me, lead me.

Holy presence, love divine, cast out my fear.

Old Testament Lesson (please be seated) Jeremiah 18:1-11

Sermon *Now Firing...* Dr. Linda I. McDaniel

Response

Pastor: We came to this sacred space
to celebrate and affirm that the Lord is like a potter,
making and reshaping us into God's image
to be and share the Good News.

People: Lord, send us out into your world

as your change agents

to help mold and remake the human condition,
with your grace and your help.

Let it be so in this age and forever more. Amen!

***Hymn** (bulletin cover) *As a Fire Is Meant for Burning*

***Benediction**

Closing Voluntary *Now Thank We All Our God* Paul Manz

*Congregation standing as they are able

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Assisting in today's services:

8:30 SERVICE – **Ushers:** John Hughes, Ed Kern, Nick Nicholson, Ed Watt

Usher: David Hudson **Greeters:** Renee Hudson, Martha Payne

Nave Volunteers: Renee Hudson, Lynn & Pat Panter

10:45 SERVICE – **Ushers:** Emily Baker, Doug Brown, Mimi Italia, Ward Nelson,

Ralph Smith, Davis Taylor, Joe Wilson **Head Usher:** Jerry Donohue

Greeters: Ruth Dickson, Reggie Hixson, Carole Thau

Nave Volunteers: Jim & Laurie Schwartz **Acolytes:** Luke Cockerham, Allison Royal

Banner: Ella Goodyear **Crucifer:** Campbell Cockerham

• Please check-in all children before they leave for Children's Worship.

• Childcare & Children's Worship available.

• Large print hymnals are available from the ushers.

• 10:45 Service telecast on Channel 12, WDEF-TV, 6 & 11:30 a.m. each Sunday.

Visitors please stop by the Visitors' Information Desk in the Narthex.

We are glad you are here!

Please register your attendance on the Ritual of Friendship pad
and pass it to your neighbors so they can register also.

 **ASSISTIVE LISTENING AVAILABLE – ASK USHERS FOR ASSISTANCE.**

PREACHING IN THE VINE: Rev. Will Lauderback

THIS WEEK AT FIRST-CENTENARY

Sunday, September 8

8:30 a.m. Worship

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

10:45 a.m. Worship

10:45 a.m. The Vine Worship

5:00 p.m. Breakthrough Worship

6:00 p.m. OSP Rehearsal

Monday, September 9

10:00 a.m. Mustard Tree Clothes Closet

12:30 p.m. Prayer Requests

5:00 p.m. Discernment Team

6:00 p.m. OSP Rehearsal

6:00 p.m. PCS - Dinner & Program

Tuesday, September 10

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

10:30 a.m. Crafty Capers

Noon Mustard Tree Board

6:00 p.m. OSP Rehearsal

Wednesday, September 11

9:30 a.m. Busy Moms

10:30 a.m. DAR Meeting Parham

1:30 p.m. Bonhoeffer Book Study

5:15 p.m. Prime Time Dinner

5:15 p.m. Youth Activities

6:00 p.m. Children's Choir

6:00 p.m. Chancel Ringers

6:00 p.m. Prime Time Classes

6:00 p.m. The Loft

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, September 12

1:30 p.m. Aldersgate Vibrations

6:00 p.m. OSP Rehearsal

6:00 p.m. UMW - CALEB Group Board

Friday, September 13

No FCUMC Scheduled Activities

Saturday, September 14

2:00 p.m. Knots of Love Circle

6:00 p.m. OSP Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. PCS Dance



Prime Time Wednesday

Dinner at 5:15 p.m. Classes at 6 p.m.

Children's Music, Children's Activities & Youth at 6 p.m.

First Things First

Marriage Class – Seasons of Love
September 11, 18, 25 & October 2
6 p.m.-7 p.m.

Stephen Ministry/Pastoral Care Opportunity – Caring Congregation
September 11 & 18

Divorce Care beginning October 2

COMING SOON...

Discipleship Essentials – A Guide to Building Yourself In Christ

When Christians Were Jews

Make dinner reservations by 4 p.m. Monday.

Call 756-2021, ext 3123 or EMAIL foodrsvp@fcumc.org

September 11 MENU: Chicken Rice Casserole, Green Beans, Buttered Corn, Banana Pudding
Caesar Salad available upon pre-order Non-dairy & meat free items available upon pre-order.

\$25 max per household. \$8 adults. \$5 children & youth.

With an adult meal, children 3 & under eat free. Thank you for keeping your dinner reservations current. We pay in advance for the number of meals we order.

Save the Date – FALL FESTIVAL – October 23

We will be collecting candy for the **Fall Festival** and **Mustard Tree Ministries Trunk or Treat**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 4 – 6:30 P.M. – There will be a gathering at St. Elmo UMC to discuss how the United Methodist Church can continue to be more inclusive in the future. 3:30 p.m. – Registration, 4 p.m. – Worship with Holy conversation to follow.

ATTENTION MOMS – Are you looking to connect with other moms and share in the ups and downs of parenthood? Join us this fall for “Where Moms Connect: a Mom’s Book of Blessings” on Wednesday mornings starting September 11, 9:30 to 11 a.m. Each lesson focuses on topics related to moms through the lens of the Bible. Join us for fellowship and study! Nursery provided. Please contact Vanessa McDaniel for more information at nessiemcdaniel@yahoo.com.

FORWARD Grief Support Group – For widows and widowers – meets for six weeks beginning **Saturday, September 21, 10 – 11:30 a.m. in the Parlor.** Share experiences and find ways to move forward after the death of a spouse. Contact Cindy Ruff at 756-2021 or cruff@fcumc.org for more information or to register.

CAMP LOOKOUT BENEFIT GOLF TOURNAMENT – SEPTEMBER 28 at The Bear Trace at Harrison Bay • Registration and Breakfast 7 a.m. • Range and Putting 7-8 a.m. • Shotgun start 8 a.m. Enter a team (4 players); enter as an individual or become a sponsor (sponsorship opportunities are available). **Entry deadline is September 18!** If you have questions, contact Don Washburn – 423-280-5848 or don@camplookout.com or Dave Houseman at 605-5181.

Oak Street Playhouse presents...THE CURIOUS SAVAGE September 20, 21, 26, 27, & 28 at 7:30 p.m., Sundays, September 22 & 29 at 2 p.m. \$15 Adults | \$12 Seniors & Groups | \$10 Students To purchase tickets over the phone, call the toll-free number: 1-800-838-3006 (option 1). To purchase online, go to www.brownpapertickets.com and type in “Oak Street Playhouse.”

Divorce Care begins October 2 – October 2 - December 11 | 6 p.m. | Rm 105
Dinner by reservation at 5:15 p.m. (Make dinner reservations by 4 p.m. Monday. Call 756-2021, ext 3123 or EMAIL foodrsvp@fcumc.org) Registration fee - \$15 for materials. Activities for children during this time. Contact Phyllis Nicholson or Nancy Morgan if interested – 423-756-2021.

CAMP LOOKOUT SENIOR ADULT DAY FALL 2019! Thursday, October 24
Guest speakers: Rev. Willie Kitchens (Christ UMC, Chattanooga) and Rev. Walter Cross (Lonsdale UMC/Martins Chapel UMC, Knoxville) Celebrating Camp Lookout’s 60th birthday! Cost for the day is \$15, including lunch. We will have great music and speakers, crafts for sale, and some other fun surprises!

Commendation and Welcome – New Members

Pastor: Brothers and sisters, I commend to your love and care these persons whom we this day receive into the membership of this congregation. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

Congregation: We rejoice to recognize you as members of Christ’s holy church, and bid you welcome to the First-Centenary congregation of The United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness. With God’s help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ that, surrounded by steadfast love, you may be established in the faith and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

CHURCH STAFF

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Reading from the Lectionary
Jeremiah 18 1-11
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
Philemon 1-21
Luke 14:25-33

For medical emergencies during worship services, contact the ushers. They will call 911. Defibrillator & Oxygen in see-through hallway cabinet near back of Sanctuary, where we hang our coats.

Welcome, Guests!

We’re glad you came. We would like to get to know you better.

Please fill out the blue page in the Ritual of Friendship. The Ritual will be passed during the announcement time, or you can find it on the inside aisle end of your pew. You may leave the blue page in the Ritual folder or bring it to the Welcome Desk in the Narthex (back of the church). We’d like to give you some information about the church and a little gift.



September 8, 2019

8:30 & 10:45 a.m.

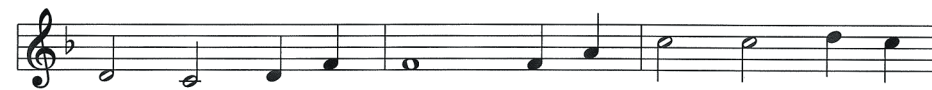
As a Fire Is Meant for Burning



1. As a fire is meant for burn - ing with a bright and warm - ing
2. We are learn - ers; we are teach - ers; we are pil - grims on the
3. As a green bud in the spring - time is a sign of life re -



flame, so the church is meant for mis - sion, giv - ing
way. We are seek - ers; we are giv - ers; we are
newed, so may we be signs of one - ness 'mid earth's



glo - ry to God's name. Not to preach our creeds or
ves - sels made of clay. By our gen - tle, lov - ing
peo - ples, man - y hued. As a rain - bow lights the



cus - toms, but to build a bridge of care, we join
ac - tions we would show that Christ is light. In a
heav - ens when a storm is past and gone, may our



hands a - cross the na - tions, find - ing neigh - bors ev - ery - where.
hum - ble, lis - tening Spir - it we would live to God's de - light.
lives re - flect the ra - diance of God's new and glo - rious dawn.

