

Welcome In the Name and Love of Jesus Christ

Welcome! We are thankful for your presence as we share in the worship of God. We pray you will find the blessing of fellowship among us. If you are visiting, please know that no one is really a visitor. This is God's house and all are welcome. We invite you to pray with us, sing with us, rejoice with us, and hear Christ's call with us. Since we all have needs, during the closing hymn, the altar is open for you to pray, give thanks, dedicate or re-dedicate your life.

Worship Resources: A Nursery is provided for children up to AGE 4. We invite you to use this facility for infants and toddlers. Children's bulletins are available from the ushers. In the pews, you will find Prayer Cards that you are invited to use to share specific prayer concerns. Please place the card either in the offering plate or in the prayer boxes located in each entryway.

Order of Worship

Come in, chat, and take a moment to sign the blue hospitality pad and pass it to your neighbor. But when the prelude begins – prepare for worship in a spirit of prayer and expectation! As we begin worship, please silence and put away all cell phones and beepers!

*Indicates people stand as they are able

Gathering Music

Welcome, Announcements and Time of Friendship

*The Call to Worship #176 v1 *Majesty, Worship His Majesty*

Opening Prayer

*Hymn #128 *He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought*

Children's Time

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer Chorus

More Precious Than Silver

Lord, You are more precious than silver,

Lord, You are more costly than gold.

Lord, You are more beautiful than diamonds,

And nothing I desire compares to you.

Pastoral and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom 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.

The Anthem *I Will Sing the Mighty Power of God* B. Buda & S. Hamilton

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

He Touched Me

*Doxology #95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above Ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Hymn #463

Lord, Speak to Me

F.R. Havergal

The Scripture

Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Pastor

The Sermon

The People Around Jesus

Pastor

*The Hymn of Invitation #462 *Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* Louise M.R. Stead

*The Benediction

Pastor

*Postlude

Assisting with Today's Service

Pianist.....Gilda Reese Organist.....Charlotte Newman

Chancel Choir DirectorDr. Nathan Windt Nursery Attendants.....Elaine Davidson and Anita Thomas

Church Calendar

10:00 AM Sunday: Sunday School

5:30 PM Wednesday: Children's Choir Practice

11:00 AM Sunday: Worship Service

6:15 PM Wednesday: Prayer Ministries

12:00 PM Sunday: Dinner After Church

6:30 PM Wednesday: Body & Soul

4:30 PM Sunday: Youth

Our Stewardship Last Week

Sunday School 68

Carpet Fund \$ 60.00

Morning Worship 177

Homemade Goods \$ 236.00

Church Budget \$ 4,242.00

Bus Fund \$ 12.00

Sunday School \$ 13.90

Announcements

Altar Flowers: The flowers are given by Kim Rymer in honor Sarah-Beth's 19th Birthday and in appreciation of Joyce Grubb and Carlene Kuykendall.

Dinner After Church Today: The Allen Youth will be serving Dinner after Church following Morning Worship! Salad bar, deli sandwiches, dessert and a drink is on the menu! As always, there is no charge for the meal, but donations will be gladly accepted to help fund Youth activities. Come eat and enjoy the fellowship!

Operation Christmas Child: The Youth invites you, our church family, to help with Operation Christmas Child in any of these ways: pack a shoe box as a family, donate shoe boxes, donate supplies for the boxes, give donations for shipping and handling (\$7.00 per box) and most importantly, pray for the children who will receive these gifts. Supplies needed for the boxes are listed on the pamphlets located at the entrances. Pick up a pamphlet today and return your donated items to the entrances to help fill shoe boxes or turn in your filled shoe box *by Sunday, November 6*. Thank you for supporting this mission project.

Church Talent Show: On Sunday, November 6th, Allen Memorial will be having a talent show at 6:00PM. Singing, whistling, juggling, birdcalls, playing spoons or puppets – anything goes! Get your talent out of storage and come share in the fun. If you have been hiding your talent, it's time to let it shine. We need you for this fun evening of talent. Contact Amy Windt with your talent details!!!!

Items for Sale: The ladies in the kitchen have been busy again! We have some delicious Charlotte's Apple Butter, Youth Hall Slaw, Joyce's Pickles, and Joyce's Chili for sale in both entryways. Please check it out as you leave today. Coming soon: Christmas Candy and Becky's Spice Tea Mix. All the proceeds go to the Carpet Fund. Thank you for your continued support of all our projects.

Special gifts: A *special gift* was given to the Carpet Fund in memory of Dennis Richeson by Wayne & Susan Scott.

Please! Please! Fill out a *new* Allen Memorial Church Information Sheet. Much of the information we have on file is several years old and out of date. Update your information sheet today! Thank you.

Something for Everyone – November 8th – Plan to join us as we travel to the Smoky Mountain Palace Theater in Pigeon Forge to see “Cirque de Chine.” This is a 2 hour show filled with powerful music, graceful movement, enchanting scenery, and dramatic color. You will be on the edge of your seat as 5 flying motor cyclists race on stage inside the globe of danger. We will leave the church at 10 AM on Tuesday, November 8th, and return around 6 PM. We will enjoy lunch at Fuddrucker’s and then see the show. The cost for the show is \$24/person. Reservations must be made and paid for by Sunday, October 30th. See Charlotte or call the church office to make your reservation.

Adult Choir Rehearsals: The Adult Choir will not practice this Wednesday, October 19th.

Prayer Request List: Copies of the Updated Prayer Request List may be picked up in the window at the side entrance.

Flowers Next Sunday: Betty Collins

Weekly Prayer Concerns:

We are praying for: Mildred Vincent, Amber Adsit Card & baby Christopher Card Jr.

Church Prayer Focus for the Week: We are praying for missionaries all over the world.

Body and Soul Scheduled for this Wednesday, October 19th at 6:30:

Body & Soul will meet on Wednesday, October 19th, at 6:30PM in Wattenbarger Fellowship Hall. A great meal (the cost is \$3.00) will be served by Yvonne Raper and Carlene Kuykendall that includes: fried catfish, chicken wings, white beans, coleslaw, hush puppies, drink and a dessert.

The program for the night will be “4 His Glory” a black light puppet ministry that will appeal to all ages. The puppet ministry group is from the St. Paul United Methodist Church in Etowah, TN. Come and enjoy a delicious meal and the puppet program.

Please fill out the form below to make your reservations or call the church office by Monday, October 17th, to be included in this month’s Body and Souls with a great meal and the exciting puppet program! Don’t miss it!

Body & Soul Reservations

Name _____

No. of Adults _____

No. of Children _____

“Love one another as I have loved you.”

John 15:12



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The Mission of the United Methodist Church

“The mission of the Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. Local churches provide the most significant arena through which disciples-making occurs.”

From the 2008 M Book of Discipline, ¶120U