

Welcome In the Name and Love of Jesus Christ

Welcome! We are thankful for your presence as we share in the worship of God. If you are visiting, please know that no one is really a visitor. 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 during our service. 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 and Announcements Minister
*The Call to Worship

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**In the spirit of worship we come, we come;
In the spirit of worship we come unto Thee.
As we bow before Your throne, we worship You, and You alone;
We were made to worship You, O Lord.**

*The Invocation Minister
*A Hymn #327 Crown Him with Many Crowns Bridges and Thring
*Affirmation of Faith #881 The Apostles' Creed
*Gloria Patri #70 **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost** Meineke
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.

*The Time of Friendship and Welcoming Everyone
The Time with the Children Minister
The Time of Sharing Our Joys and Concerns Minister
The Prayer Chorus #177 *He is Lord* Philippians 2:9-11

The Time of Prayer Minister
Morning Prayer
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 – Chancel Choir *Brethren We Have Met to Worship* Pethel
The Worship with God's Tithes and Our Offerings Minister
The Offertory *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind* Maker
*The 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.**

*A Hymn #369 Blessed Assurance Crosby
The Scripture Readings Acts 1:1-11, Luke 24:44-53 Minister
The Scripture Response *Open Our Eyes Lord*
**Open our eyes, Lord. We want to see Jesus.
To reach out and touch him. And say that we love him.
Open our ears Lord, and help us to listen.
Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus.**

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The Sermon *Up Where He Belongs* Minister
The Hymn of Invitation #371 *I Stand Amazed in the Presence* Gabriel
*The Benediction Minister
*The Benediction Response #664 *Sent Forth by God's Blessing* Westendorf
*The Postlude

Assisting with Today's Service

OrganistCharlotte Newman Pianist.....Gielda Reese Choral Director.....Dr. Nathan Windt
Nursery Attendants.....Elaine and Cortney Davidson

Church Calendar

10:00 AM Sunday: Sunday School 6:15 PM Wednesday: Prayer Ministries
11:00 AM Sunday: Morning Worship 7:00 PM Wednesday: Chancel Choir Practice
4:00 PM Sunday: Rejoicing Spirits 8:00 AM Saturday: Something for Everyone
4:30 PM Sunday: VBS Workshop
4:30 PM Sunday: Youth

Our Stewardship Last Week

Sunday School	75	Church Budget	\$3,356.00
Morning Worship	187	Sunday School O/Reach	\$ 13.00
		Parsonage Fund	\$ 78.80
		Youth	\$ 100.00
		Sudan Well	\$1,245.00
		Serenity Ministries	\$ 25.00
		Mother's Day	\$ 195.00
		TN Flood/Storm Victims	\$ 565.00

Announcements

Altar Flowers: The flowers today are given by Brian, Kelly & Wesley Bean in honor of Madeline's (Madi's) 2nd birthday.

Sympathy: The church expresses it's love and prayers to Letha and Ronnie Allen in the recent death of their son Billy. We pray God's comfort and peace for this family during this difficult time.

VBS Workshop: We will have a workshop this afternoon from 4:30-7:00 as we get ready for our 2010 Vacation Bible School. If you would like to help, join us this afternoon. For more information on how you can help please see Lisa Sharp.

Rejoicing Spirits Service & Cook Out: You are invited to share in the Rejoicing Spirits Worship Service today at 4:00 PM at the Cedar Springs UMC. We will also have a cook-out following the service which you are also invited to share in. If you have not been to a Rejoicing Spirits service yet, come see what you're missing.

Pentecost: Next Sunday is Pentecost and we encourage you to wear red to help us set a visual background.

Graduation Sunday: Next Sunday is Graduation Sunday and we will honor our high school and college graduates during worship and with a luncheon after worship. You don't have to bring anything as the Youth will be doing a hamburger luncheon for donations. Plan to share in the fellowship as we recognize our graduates with this special church family gathering. Again, if you or someone in the church you know is graduating, please call the church office and let us know. Don't take it for granted that we know. We have compiled a partial list but don't want to leave anyone out in recognizing them in this great achievement.

Membership Sunday: Next Sunday, we will celebrate a New Member Sunday. Perhaps you have been thinking of placing your church membership at Allen Memorial. On this Sunday, we invite you to take that step. There are three ways you can join the church: by profession of faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, by transferring your membership from another United Methodist Church, or by transferring your membership from a church of another denomination. If you are interested in joining the church, please see the Pastor.

Honors & Recognitions: As we near the closing of the school year we like to recognize our students as well as all church family with any recent awards or recognitions. Please call, or email to the church office or give this information to Jeff or Kathy so we can be sure to publish in next months newsletter.

Answering Machine: If you call the church expecting to leave a message on the answering machine, please be aware the answering machine that we currently have is malfunctioning and not able to record messages at this time. Please be patient with us while we explore the best options to replace the current system.

Something For Everyone: If you have signed up for the trip on Saturday, May 22nd to Gatlinburg, your money is due today. The total is \$22.00 for the museum and your meal. Where the group was less than 20 the price **does not** include the gratuity. Please make your checks to Charlotte Newman. We will leave the church at 8:00 AM and return around 5:00 PM. Also, please join us on Tuesday, June 1st as we travel to Vonore for lunch at Pizzeria Venti. A taste of Italy is sure to satisfy your appetite for pizza, salads, several pasta dishes, just to name a few. Following lunch we will visit the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum. Sequoyah was a father, soldier, silversmith, statesman, and creator of the Cherokee writing system. We will leave the church at 11:00 and return between 4:30 and 5:00. The cost for the Museum is \$1.50 per person payable to Charlotte on the day of the trip. Please have correct change or make your check to Charlotte Newman.

Body & Soul: Our May Body and Soul will be on Wednesday, May 26th at 6:30 PM. Carlene Kuykendall and Yvonne Raper will be our hostess and the meal will be a Potato Bar with all the toppings. Becky Jaquish and Charlotte Newman will present a program on United Methodist Missions around the world including some close to home. Please note we are meeting on the 4th Wednesday this month instead of the 3rd Wednesday.

Flower Containers: If you have any of the flower containers that are used for the altar flowers on Sunday mornings, you can help us keep the cost down for providing the flowers by returning the containers so they can be reused. Thank You.

2010 Annual Hands on Mission Project - Sewing Kits: Again this year we will be participating in the Holston Conference Hands-on Mission Project. The Cleveland District's project is Sewing Kits for Marie Humbane serving in Zimbabwe. The one day drop off date is June 10, so we will need your kits here at the church by no later than June 6th. Please pack all items in a 2-gallon zip-loc bag or secure plastic bag along with \$5.00 donation by check written to: Cleveland District. **(Do not put cash in the bag).** **Sewing Kits Contents Are:** 2 yards of solid color fabric suitable for uniforms, (Khaki, forest green, blue or burgundy only)

1 baby blanket, Used (in clean & good condition) clothing sized for children grades 1- 10 (Pants, shorts, skirts, shirts, blouses, dresses or sweaters). **Only one or two of these items please.** Call the church office if you need more information. Thanks for helping!

Children's Day at Camp Lookout: All elementary age children are invited to participate in the 2010 Children's Day at Camp Lookout on June 5th. Come ready for a day of fun and fellowship. Camp staff and volunteers will lead devotions, arts, crafts and games. Group registration and individual health forms are needed to attend. To obtain forms and other information, contact Camp Lookout at 706-820-1163, don@camplookout.com or go to their website – camplookout.com to download PDF's. Registration begins at 10:00 and ends around 2:00 PM. You will need to bring a sack lunch and drink. For the Mission Project the children are invited to bring pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and dollars for a camp scholarship collection during the gathering time. The collection will help children who need financial support to attend summer camp. You are also asked to bring a white T-shirt to Tye-Dye and a plastic bag to carry home wet t-shirts.

Special Gifts: A special gift was given to the Parsonage Fund in honor of Gretchen Kittle for Mother's Day by Makenzie & Makade Kittle.

BBQ and Bluegrass: From 1 PM to 4 PM on Saturday, May 22nd, the Wesley Center at the UTC will sponsor a BBQ and Bluegrass meal and music. The band will be the FUMC Stringband from First UMC in Cleveland. Three styles of meals will be served: a \$10 or \$7.50 plate of chicken, beans, cole slaw, dessert, drink and a \$7.50 plate with a hamburger, beans, cole slaw, dessert, drink. Proceeds will go to the Maintenance and Programming for the Wesley Center, a United Methodist Campus Ministry. For more information or for tickets call 423-266-3691 or go to info@wesleyutc.com.



ASCENSION SUNDAY

Allen Memorial United Methodist Church

The 7th Sunday of Easter

May 16, 2010

Ministers: The Members

Pastor: Rev. Jeff W. Wright

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Athens, TN 37303

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- Bleach (two 1-quart or one 82 oz. bottle; 5 scouring pads; 7 Sponges; 1 scrub brush;
- 18 cleaning towels (reusable wipes);
- Liquid laundry detergent (two 25 oz. or one 50 oz. bottle);
- 1 household cleaner, 12-16 oz. bottle; Disinfectant dish soap, 16-28 oz. bottle;
- 50 clothes pins; Clothes line (two 50 ft. or one 100 ft.); 5 dust masks;
- 2 pair latex gloves; 1 pair work gloves;
- 24-bag roll of heavy-duty trash bags, 33-45 gallon (remove roll from box before placing in bucket)
- 1 Insect repellent spray, 6-14 oz. can (If aerosol, cans must have protective caps). 1 Air freshener, 8 or 9 oz. can (If aerosol, cans must have protective caps.)

Flowers Next Sunday: Joyce Grubb

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