Announcements

***Church after Church:*** Please join us after worship for *Church After* *Church* in Norman Barnett Hall. This is a great time to check in with friends and neighbors and have a chance to love on each other.

***Children’s Worship:*** 3, 4, & 5 year olds are invited to leave after the Children’s Sermon for a special Worship time.

***Prayer Request Cards*** are located in the pews, in the Narthex and on the table by the Elevator. To place someone on the prayer list, please fill out the card and place in the offering plate. You may also call or send an email to the church office. Cards may be used to let the staff know about upcoming procedures.

***Free Prostate Screenings:*** Monroe County Health Dept. – August 26 – 10am to 2pm

***Monroe County Animal Shelter*** is in need of donations to purchase food for the animals in their care. You may donate to them directly or you may contact the Monroeville Water Works and have a monthly donation to the Animal Shelter added to your water bill.

***Visitations:*** Due to the rise in COVID positives in Monroe County, Pastor John will be putting pastoral visits on hold for a few weeks. This applies to homes and nursing facilities.

*Dear Church Family,*

*There are times when words are so inadequate to express emotions. I have loved my church Family for over 50 years. With my illness and Ben’s health issues my depth of gratefulness defies words. Thank you for your prayers, acts of kindness, Wednesday Men and food.*

*Ben’s funeral lunch was awesome. I love my FUMC brothers and sisters in Christ. I am richly blessed to have you in my life. Fondly,*

*Rosemary Johnston.*

**August Giving Received: YTD Giving Received:**

$ 21,308.50 $ 246,308.50

**August Giving Needed: YTD Giving Needed:**

$ 39,688.00 $ 317,504.00

First United Methodist Church

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August 20, 2023

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**Church Staff**

Senior Pastor: Rev. John Woodrow

Minister of Education: Rev. Pam Barnhardt

Director of Music Ministries/Organist: Nancy Carleton

Church Business Administrator: Caroline Hardin

Nursery Director: Christi Dunn

Nursery Attendants: Letitia Gibbs & Rosie Parker

**Morning Worship**

August 20, 2023 ‡ 10:05

**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

**ENTRANCE**

Gathering Prelude Nancy Carleton  *Welcome and Opportunities* Rev. Pam Barnhardt

Invocation Rev. Barnhardt

† Hymn 57 *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* Congregation

† The Apostle’s Creed Congregation

I Believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of Heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I Believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

† The Gloria Patri Congregation

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen

**PROCLAMATION and RESPONSE**

Celebrations and Concerns Rev. John Woodrow

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer Hymnal, 895

Offering Nancy Carleton

† Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* Hymnal, 95

† Hymn 147 *All Things Bright and Beautiful* Congregation

*(Let the children come forward during the last verse)*

Children’s Moment Rev. Barnhardt

*(After Children’s Moment 3-5 year olds are invited to go to Children’s Worship)*

Anthem At This Moment Chancel Choir

Scripture  *Matthew 15:21-28* Rev. Woodrow

Sermon *“Choosing Your Team”* Rev. Woodrow

**SENDING FORTH**

† Hymn Congregation

† Benediction Rev. Woodrow

† Three-fold Amen Congregation

Going Forth Postlude \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

† *Standing as able Please silence or turn off your cell phones.*

**Attendance registration August 13, 2017**

Check one: 9:00\_\_\_\_\_11:00\_\_\_\_\_

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Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Phone\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

* Member(s)
* First time visitor
* Visitor
* Wish to join church
* Desire pastoral visit

Will you share your birthday below for our newsletter birthday list?

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**Adult Sunday School Opportunities**

*Please know that you are invited to attend these classes that begin at 9:00 am*

**“Cornerstone”** – taught by Sage Smith, (2nd room on left) is studying the book of Romans.

**“Young Adult (at Heart)”** – taught by Michelle Rainey (2nd room on right) studies dated lectionary based curriculum

**“Discussion”** – taught by Sarah Dyess (Alice Lee Room) is studying Luke, looking at Outcasts and Outlaws **Began on July 30**

*The Altar Flowers today are given to the greater glory of God*

*and*

*by Cecelia Ingram/Pam Barnhardt.*