Announcements

***Church after Church:*** Please join us after worship for *Church After* *Church* in Norman Barnett Hall.

***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.

***Bridal Shower*** for Samantha Davis, bride elect of Joseph Ellis is this afternoon from 1:30 – 3:00 in Wesley Hall.

***Pastor John’s Bible Study*** will resume this evening at 5:00 in the Alice Lee Room.

***Administrative Board Meeting*** is tomorrow at 6:30pm in Norman Barnett Hall.

***Charge Conference*** will be held next Sunday at 5:00 pm in the Sanctuary. All church leaders are strongly encouraged to attend and all Church members are invited to attend as well.

***Photos for New Directory*** will continue next Sunday after Church. This is a great time to join the church so that you can be included in the Directory!

***Flower Calendar*** has open dates for the rest of the year. Please take a look and sign up to place flowers in honor or memory of someone.

Sympathy is extended to Dr. Angela Powell and her family

on the passing of her Father, James Levern Adams

**October Giving Received:**

$ 11,757.00

**October Giving Needed:**

$ 39,688.00

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**YTD Giving Received:**

$ 288,442.50

**YTD Giving Needed:**

$ 396,880.00

***CURRENT BIBLE STUDIES***

We are called to be in the Word. Please consider attending one of the following . . .

Sundays 5:00 pm Pastor Johns Bible Study (Alice Lee Room)

Wednesdays 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study (NBH )

4:15 pm Youth Bible Study (NBH )

5:15 pm Ladies Bible Study (NBH )

First United Methodist Church

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October 8, 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**

October 8, 2023 ‡ 10:05

**Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

**Holy Communion**

**ENTRANCE**

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

Invocation Rev. Barnhardt

† Hymn 176 *Majesty, Worship His Majesty* 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

**PROCLAMATION and RESPONSE**

Prayer of Confession Congregation

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you

in thought, word, and deed,

by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;

we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;

that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,

to the glory of your name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon Rev. Woodrow

Offering Nancy Carleton

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

† Hymn 620  *One Bread, One Body* Congregation

*(Let the children come forward during the second verse.)*

Children’s Moment Rev. Barnhardt

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

Anthem *In Remembrance of Me* Chancel Choir

Scripture  *Matthew 21:28-32 NCV* Rev. Woodrow

Sermon “Better Late Than Never”Rev Woodrow

**THANKSGIVING and COMMUNION**

The Great Thanksgiving Hymnal, p.13

The Lord’s Prayer Hymnal, 895

Blessing of the Elements Pastor

Sharing the Elements Pastors

Prayer of Thanks Pastor

**SENDING FORTH**

† Hymn 382 *Have Thine Own Way, Lord*  Congregation

† Benediction Rev. Woodrow

† Three-fold Amen Congregation

Going Forth *Postlude* Nancy Carleton

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† *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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* 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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The Flowers today are given to the Greater Glory of God

and in honor of the marriage of Ashley Harris and Billy McInnish.

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

*and*

*by Cecelia Ingram/Pam Barnhardt.*