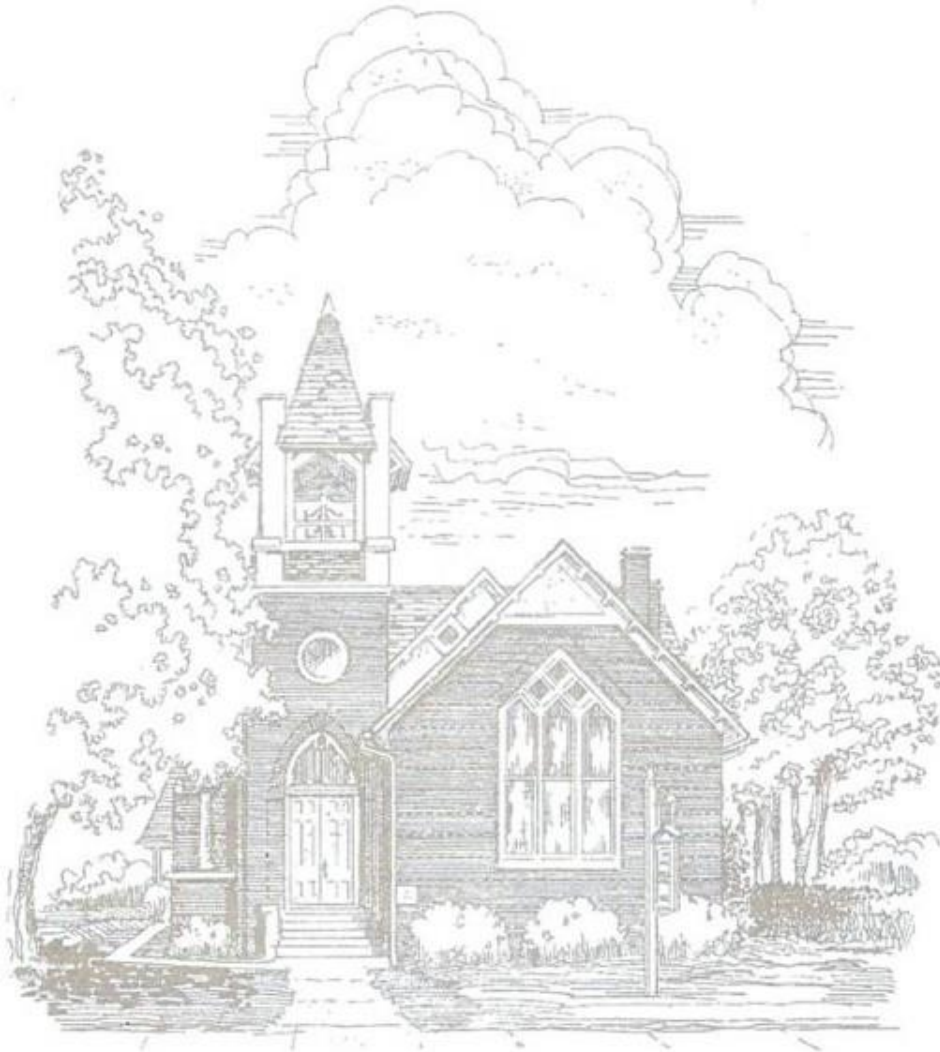


"Let therefore our chief study be to meditate upon the life of Jesus Christ."
Thomas a Kempis



First United Methodist Church

128 NORTH CHURCH STREET MOUNTAIN CITY, TENNESSEE

January 22, 2017

JOYS AND CELEBRATIONS

Dan Gill

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE

(Please prepare for worship through prayer and silent meditation.)

CHORAL INTROIT

Thy Word Is a Lamp unto My Feet

CALL TO WORSHIP (Unison)

**I come with joy to meet my Lord,
forgiven, loved, and free,
in awe and wonder to recall
his life laid down for me.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)

**O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high, O Truth unchanged,
unchanging, O Light of our dark sky: we praise you for the radiance that from
the Scripture's page, a lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age. Amen.**

*HYMN No. 89, Vs. 1, 2, 4

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

*DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING No. 95

The Doxology

**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 No. 600

Wonderful Words of Life

ANTHEM

I'll Fly Away

(Following this part of the service, preschool children may go to the nursery, and children in grades K-6 may go to Creation Station.)

CHILDREN'S TIME

Wanda Payne

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE READINGS

2 Timothy 3:14-17

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

Psalm 119:105

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The B-I-B-L-E, Oh That's The Book for Me
Reverend Warren Stewart, Ret.

*APOSTLES' CREED No. 881

*HYMN No. 585

This Little Light of Mine

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

Amen

(Following the Benediction, please greet one another with joy and affection.)

*POSTLUDE

*Please stand as you may be able.

(Items in **BOLD** are unison.)

CALENDAR/EVENTS

Sunday School: Don't forget Sunday School classes, which meet at 10:00 a.m. every Sunday morning!

Choir Rehearsal: Wednesdays—6:00 p.m.

UMM: Second Saturday of the month at 8:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

UMW: Second Thursday of the month at noon in the Fellowship Hall.

Online Calendar: The church website has an online calendar with all regularly scheduled events and as new one-time or recurring events are scheduled, they are also added. Check it out!



NOTICES

Disaster Assistance: Financial donations for the fires in Gatlinburg may be made online at disasterresponse.holston.org or you may make an offering through the church by giving a check to our church and in the memo line write "fires."

Large Print Hymnals are available. If you would like to use one, please notify an usher.

Pastor Scott can be found on Facebook, (540) 818-9155, or parsonwilks@gmail.com.

Please silence your **Electronic Device** during the service out of respect for others.

The **Telephone** number for the church is (423) 727-7554 and the parsonage is (423) 727-7572.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Date	Coffee	Greeters	Children's Sermon	Children's Church	Bulletin Board
01-Jan	Payne	Holder	Communion	Pennington	Bell/Gildea Mid Jan & Feb
08-Jan	Angel	Hall	Fortune	Huff	
15-Jan	Holder	Bobbitt/Sijthoff	Gill	Walsh	
22-Jan	Bellamy/B. Smith	St. John/B. Smith	Payne	Payne	
29-Jan	Worley	Evans/Peake	Fifth Sunday	Gratsch	