

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
MARCH 15, 2020
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

JOYS AND CELEBRATIONS

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

PRELUDE

Please prepare for worship through prayer and silent meditation.

INTROIT

Awesome God

Chancel Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Responsive*)

Leader: Come, let us sing to the Lord!

People: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Leader: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving!

People: Let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!

Leader: Come, let us worship and celebrate God's loving presence with us.

All: We sing to God with our hearts and our spirits.

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN 159: 1, 2, 4

Lift High the Cross

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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*DOXOLOGY 95

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

*HYMN 189: 1, 2, 4

Fairest Lord Jesus

CHILDREN'S TIME

Sandra Fortune

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

ANTHEM

Now the Green Blade Rises

Chancel Choir

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS OF THE PEOPLE

SCRIPTURE

John 4:5-42

Leader: The word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

I See You

Rev. John Crabtree

*HYMN 664

Sent Forth by God's Blessing

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

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

*POSTLUDE

**Please stand as you may be able.*

*Items in **BOLD** are unison.*

The flowers on the altar are for the glory of God and in honor of Wilma Smith's 90th birthday. They are given by her children Debbie, Karen, and David.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH INFORMATION: First United Methodist Church; 128 N. Church St, Mountain City, TN 37683; Church 423-727-7554; Parsonage 423-727-7572; Pastor's Cell 423-494-5045; Rev. John Crabtree, Pastor; Judy Walsh, Choir Director; Nancy Tolliver, Pianist; Dr. Sandra Fortune, Organist.

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD: The next Board meeting will be March 15 @ 3:00 pm.

ALANON: Meetings will resume on April 21, 2020.

FIFTH SUNDAY: March 29th will be 5th Sunday; Sandra Fortune has invited a singing group from Milligan College. Following that, will be a potluck luncheon. We are expecting a large crowd so please be generous when preparing your dishes.

UMCOR: The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is taking donations to help our brothers and sisters affected by tornadoes in Middle Tennessee and disasters elsewhere in the US. Go to the UMCOR website www.umcmmission.org/umcor and there is a link on the front page. Or you can make a gift through the church.

UNIQUE BOUTIQUE: The UB has a Facebook page up and running. Like and share posted information with your friends.

YOUTH CLASS: Our youth class, consisting of seven young ladies, is planning to attend Resurrection next year and perhaps another trip. In order to do this, they have decided to do some fund raisers, the first of which will be new shirts for the church family. All purchases and donations will be greatly appreciated by the youth and their families.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:00 am Sunday morning.

UNIQUE BOUTIQUE: Open Wednesdays 10 am – 2 pm and the first Saturday of the month 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.

CHOIR REHEARSAL: Sunday at 10:30 am.

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

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

NOTICES

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS are available. If you would like to use one, please notify an usher. Please silence your **ELECTRONIC DEVICE** during the service out of respect for others.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Date	Coffee	Greeters	Children's Sermon	Children's Church	Bulletin Board
01-Mar	Walsh	Littlejohn	Communion	Payne	Mar: Payne
08-Mar	Gill	Holder	Walsh	Huff	
15-Mar	Heerschap	Sijthoff	Fortune	Leigh	
22-Mar	Littlejohn	Evans/Peake	Crabtree	Robinson	
29-Mar	Payne	Leigh/Robinson	5 th Sunday	5 th Sunday	