April 7, 2024
10:15 Worship

Christian fellowship is very much a part of First United Methodist Church. Engage one another in friendly conversation until the sounding of the chimes—which calls us to worship.

We Gather to Praise God

WELCOME, PASSING THE PEACE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please use the red attendance pads to register your attendance and pass attendance sheets to the center aisle where ushers will pick them up after the offertory.)

THE PRELUDE
The Old Rugged Cross
arr. Hayes

+THE HYMN OF PRAISE
Just a Closer Walk with Thee
BLACK 2158

+THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
The Apostles’ Creed
#881
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.

+GLORIA PATRI
#70
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.

We Offer Our Prayers

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS
Shelly Burgess

THE PASTORAL PRAYER
The Lord be with you. And Also with you. Let us pray.

THE LORD’S PRAYER
#895
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.

We Share God’s Tithes and our Offerings and Gifts

OFFERING

THE OFFERTORY
By Streams of Everlasting Love
Powell

+THE DOXOLOGY
#94
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

We Hear God’s Word

ANTHEM
There Is a Higher Throne
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READING FROM THE SCRIPTURES
1 John 1:1-2:2
This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

THE SERMON
From the Inside Out
Pastor Kenny Lee

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

We Go Forth as Disciples

THE INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

+THE HYMN OF COMMITMENT
Close to Thee
RED 407

+THE BENEDICTION

+THE POSTLUDE
A Resurrection Fanfare
Smith

+WELCOME
How good it is when we, the Body of Christ, can gather to praise God. We are especially pleased that guests have joined us for worship today. We hope you will feel at home with us as we worship God together. If you are looking for a new church home, you are encouraged to visit with us or our pastor immediately following our worship service or later in the week. Please join us again.

OUR SYMPATHY
Sympathy is extended to the family of Mary Anna Peace. She is the daughter of the late Alvarene Peace.

CHURCH-WIDE EVENT– SOLAR ECLIPSE
A group of members will travel to Camp Tanako to observe the solar eclipse and have lunch. The trip cost is free. The van must leave at 8 AM tomorrow morning to allow for possible traffic congestion. See you in the morning.

SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL SUNDAY LUNCHEON
SUNDAY, APRIL 28 (PEACE HALL)
Please return your application for the Tucker Elliott Franks Memorial Scholarship on or before Monday, April 8 to the church office. Please call the church office, 234-4530 if you are planning to attend the luncheon.

2024 Senior High School Graduates
Landry Carter, son of Casey & Jeremy Carter
Zoey Kirkpatrick, daughter of Melinda Kirkpatrick & Doyle Kirkpatrick
Donavan Lee, son of Penny & Kenny Lee
Emily Lester, daughter of Jessica Lester
Heath Lewis, son of Tabitha & Reese Lewis
Gabrielle Nelson, daughter of Amy & Greg Nelson
Zoe Taylor, son of Deborah & Larry Taylor
Karlie Dixon, daughter of Julie Dixon & Chad Dixon

Beginning Wednesday, April 17, at 11:00 a.m.
“Jesus Centered” Small Group Bible Study
Led by Pastor Kenny Lee
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

9:15 AM  Nursery is available from 9:00 am till 11:30 pm.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES
Olegg/Open Door - Pastors led by David Cole, Bille Dadgar, Roger Guevara, Explorers/Morning Star - Upstairs - Scott Nipper/Dan Grantham
Children Sunday School - Preschool - 5th Grade - Upstairs in Treehouse - led by Shelly Burgess and Diana Courson
Jr. High - Basement led by Gary Herron
High School - Basement led by Gary Herron

9:15 AM  YOUNG ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL - PASTOR’S HOME
Led by Pastor Kenny Lee

9:15 AM  CONFIRMATION CLASS

10:15 AM  SANCTUARY WORSHIP
Ways to attend: In-Person, Facebook Live, Recording (posted later) on Website, YouTube

4:00 PM  YOUTH
‘FOOLISH LOVE’ (AYERITT)

5:30 PM  YOUTH

MONDAY, APRIL 8

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  Church Office Hours

8:00 AM  Camp Tanako, Hot Springs – Solar Eclipse

4:00 PM  Stewpot

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  Church Office Hours

4:00 PM  Stewpot

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  Church Office Hours

5:00 PM  CHILDREN’S CHOIR GRADES 4-5

5:30 PM  CHANCEL CHOIR PRACTICE

5:30 PM  YOUTH (MIDDLE SCHOOL)

7:00 PM  YOUTH (HIGH SCHOOL)

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  Church Office Hours

10:00 AM  THE CARING PLACE

4:00 PM  STEWPORT

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM  Church office Hours

Prayers
Our Church
Our Church Staff
Our Nation
Our Community
Military Service
Members
The Stewpot
The Caring Place
FUMC Child
Development Center
Methodist Boys Home
Unspoken Prayer

Special Prayers
Bob Burns
Harriett Franks
Helen Guevara
Buddy Jordan
Nancy Henry

CDC Prayers
Eddie Mae Cooper
Ivy Jo Beasley
Kahriena Smith
Dorita Blackmon

Grieving Families
Mary Anna Peace