

Order of Worship

April 30, 2017 3rd Sunday of Easter 10:30 a.m.

Gathering of God's Children

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" & "I Sing the Mighty Power of God"

Piano Duet: William Elliott and Sharon Ziegler

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Acolytes

Choral Call to Worship "Surely the Lord Is In This Place"

Chancel Choir

*Hymn

"Come Christians, Join to Sing"

UMH 158

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed"

UMH 881

*Gloria Patri

"Glory Be to the Father"

UMH 70

Children's Time

Cindy Elliott

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Special Music

"Amazing Grace"

Ann Gray Perdue

Receiving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 95

Anthem

"Revelation Song"

Lloyd Larson

Chancel Choir

Scripture

Psalm 1 and John 10:10

Sermon

"How to Stay Alive As Long As You Live"

Dr. Don Scott

Invitation to Follow Jesus

*Hymn

"Breathe On Me, Breath of God"

UMH 420

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Choral Benediction

"Sevenfold Amen"

Chancel Choir

*Taking out the Light of Christ

Acolytes

*Postlude

William Elliott

*People Stand as Able

SERMON OUTLINE

If you want to stay alive as long as you live, then

1. ...don't forget to be grateful.
2. ...don't forget the generosity of God.
3. ...don't forget to support your church.
4. ...don't forget the wisdom from a sandbox.

Welcome to First United Methodist Church! We are glad you came. Please feel welcome to take part in any of the activities we list in the bulletin or announce from the pulpit. We are here to help you grow in your faith in Jesus Christ. If you have questions or needs, please tell us. Also, please use the attendance registration pads located in each seat, and share those with folks sitting near you. Your presence is a blessing!

IMMEDIATE NEEDS

Heidi Burkley, 14 years old who has Steven-Johnson Syndrome, Rare Skin Disease. Related to Larry/Patty Ellis, former members of our church now living in Somerset, KY. Roy **Abel**, Fran **Alba**, Becky **Betts** (Bronwyn Owen's Mother), Sarah **Bowling**, Judy **Cassady**, Betty **Chandler** (Jessi Terry's Mother), Richie **Childress**, Ulysses **Cundiff**, Blair **Deskens** (Jean Miller's Granddaughter), Richard and Patty **Dillon**, Richard **Dillon Jr.**, Terri **Dodson**, Darlene **Dolin**, Linda **Douthat**, Doris **Englmeier** (Patti Wilkinson's Aunt), Cathy **Fuller**, Vicki **Furrow**, Amanda **Griffith**, Mable **Gum**, Pat **Hartley**, Jerry **Hickman & Family**, Owen **Howard** (Brownie and Beverly Browning's Great Grandson), Tim **Jarrett**, Diane **Janelle**, Diana **Kilber**, Gloria **Lowery**, Jerry **Manning**, Mary **Martin**, Britten **Olinger**, Lynne **Phelps**, Johnny **Puckett**, Dwayne **Quesenberry** (Carolyn's Son), Patty **Ramage**, Lilly **Richards**, Deb **Sarver**, Marguerite **Smith**, Jeanie **Starcher**, Mary **Thomason**, Doug **Thompson**, Will **Thompson**, Dalia **Vidot**, Sandy **Walls**, Patsy **Welch**, Betty **White**, Edith **Wilkinson**, Raymond **Wymer**

OUR MILITARY

Ryan **Shott**, Lucas **Graham**, Jeremy **Woody**, Jerome **Moody**, Michael **Cox** and those serving our country

LONG TERM ILLNESS

Marie **Anderson**, Barbara **Bailey**, Bobbie **Bellamy** (Margaret Elam's Sister), Smokey **Blaylock**, E. C. **Browning**, Joe **Davidson**, Leon **Devor**, Ethel **Earls**, Syd **Ellison**, Margaret **Farmer**, Russell **Garrett**, Tom **Hodge** (Shelby Clendenen's Brother), Dr. David **Kovach**, Mary Virginia **Lester** (Linda Hash's Sister), Charles **Miller** (Pam Rose's Father), Gary **Pardue**, Gerrie **Porter**, Wilma **Shay**, Nancy **Trenton**, Irma **Webb**

SYMPATHY

Sympathy is extended to **Frank Britton and Family** in the death of his father, George Britton.

Children's Bulletins are available in the Narthex. One for ages 3-6 and one for ages 7-12.

Acolytes: Alex Spencer and Keith Spencer

The arrangement on the altar is given to the glory of God and in appreciation of the Stelio and Betty Corte Family.

By: Southwest Virginia Community College

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, April 30

Worship Service	8:30 a.m.
Sunday School	9:30 a.m.
Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
Beth Moore Study	6.00 p.m.
Youth	6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 2

TOPS	5:30 p.m.
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Wednesday, May 3

Adult Handbell Rehearsal	6:15 p.m.
Choir Rehearsal	7:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 4 - *United Methodist Women*

Martha Circle	10:30 in Library
Lydia Circle	7:00 p.m. in Palmer Hall

RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS	
APRIL 2017	
2017 Monthly Budget	\$23,721.00
Monthly Tithes & Offerings to Date	\$19,798.57
Monthly Unbudgeted Receipts to Date	\$ 3,045.80
ATTENDANCE: April 23	
8:30 a.m. Service	24
10:30 a.m. Service	96
Total Worship	120
Sunday School	42



Bluefield First United Methodist Church

April 30, 2017



YOUNG LIFE BBQ LUNCHEON on Sunday, May 7 immediately after morning worship. All proceeds from the luncheon will go toward Young Life Ministry and camperships. Plan to attend and show your support for this Christian ministry.



A CROCHET WORKSHOP will be held on Sunday, May 7 at 1:30 p.m. in the library at FUMC. The Membership Care Team is sponsoring this workshop and invites everyone to participate. The workshop will concentrate on beginner skills, but will also include the sharing of patterns and ideas with those who are more advanced.

Bring yarn and a crochet hook if you have them. Please join us and invite a friend. See Janice Busic for more information.

As is the custom of the United Methodist Church, there will be a change of pastoral leadership for First Church this coming June. Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor and the Holston Conference Cabinet anticipate the projected appointment of the Reverend Dr. James R. "Jay" Ferguson to become the next pastor of First UMC, Bluefield, Virginia. Jay and his wife Kelly and children Micah and Maylee will be moving here on June 21. His first Sunday in the pulpit will be July 2.

Pastor Brad and Tammie Scott are projected to serve the Trenton UMC in Trenton, Georgia, in the Chattanooga District. Pastor Brad and Tammie are deeply grateful to this congregation for your support and encouragement over the past five years.

Please keep both pastoral families and their present and future congregations in your prayers as this transition in leadership unfolds.

"I came so that
you may have
life — and live it
more
abundantly."
John 10:10

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