

Welcome In the Name and Love of Jesus Christ

Welcome! We are thankful for your presence as we share in the worship of God. We pray you will find the blessing of fellowship among us. If you are visiting, please know that no one is really a visitor. This is God's house and all are welcome. We invite you to pray with us, sing with us, rejoice with us, and hear Christ's call with us. Since we all have needs, during the closing hymn, the altar is open for you to pray, give thanks, dedicate or re-dedicate your life.

Worship Resources: A Nursery is provided for children up to AGE 4. We invite you to use this facility for infants and toddlers. Children's bulletins are available from the ushers. In the pews, you will find Prayer Cards that you are invited to use to share specific prayer concerns. Please place the card either in the offering plate or in the prayer boxes located in each entryway.

Order of Worship

Come in, chat, and take a moment to visit. But when the prelude begins – prepare for worship in a spirit of prayer and expectation! As we begin worship, please silence and put away all cell phones and beepers!

*Indicates people stand as they are able.

Gathering Music

Welcome Announcements and Time of Friendship

*Opening Hymn #547

O Church of God, United

Rev. Black

F. B. Morley

*Act of Praise #816

Psalm 97

*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.

Hymn #715

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Charles Wesley

Children's Time

Sue Walker

Prayer Hymn #557 V. 1 & 2

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

John Fawcett

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Rev. Black

Pastoral and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Black

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.

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Crown Him with Many Crowns

arr. Joe Parks

Sanctuary Singers

*Doxology #95

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.

Anthem

O Lord, Most Holy

Cesar Franck arr H. H. Hopson

The Scripture

John 17:20-26

Rev. Black

The Sermon

That They May Be One

Rev. Black

*Hymn of Invitation #561

Jesus, United by Thy Grace

Charles Wesley

*Benediction

*Postlude

Assisting with Today's Service

Chancel Choir Director.....Dr. Nathan Windt Pianist.....Giolda Reese Organist.....Charlotte Newman

Nursery Attendants.....Elaine Davidson and Anita Thomas Children's Time.....Sue Walker

Church Calendar

10:00 AM Sunday: Sunday School

5:00 PM Wednesday: VBS Work Time

11:00 AM Sunday: Worship Service

6:00 PM Wednesday: Body & Soul Meal/WH

7:00 PM Wednesday: Chancel Choir

Our Stewardship Last Week

Sunday School

60

Structural Repair Fund

180.00

Morning Worship

134

Future Fund

210.00

Sunday School

9.08

Men's Club

50.00

Church Budget

5,585.00

Bus Fund

25.00

Imagine No Malaria

10.00

Announcements

Altar Flowers: Today the altar flowers given by John and Lori Murphy in honor and celebration of the 5th "Adoption Anniversary" of our children Jason, Alexander, and Abbey. Wishing a very Happy 6th Birthday to Abbey and Happy Mother's Day!

Body & Soul: On Wednesday, May 15 at 6:00 PM, our Men's Group will be serving a hearty "Breakfast for Supper" for Body & Soul! Pastor Joe will have a short devotion. Make your reservations by Sunday, May 12, the cost for the meal: \$3/adults and \$1.50/children. Please use the tear off sheet or call the church office to make your reservations.

Attention Graduates: If you are graduating or know of someone graduating in our church family, please call the church office at 745-1560. Let us know where the student is graduating from and any award information that you would like included in the June Newsletter. All high school and college graduates from this past year will be recognized in Worship Service on Graduation Sunday on May 19.

Dinner After Church: The Youth will be serving Dinner After Church in honor of the "Graduates" in our church family next Sunday, May 19th after the Morning Worship Service. The menu: hotdogs/hamburgers with all the trimmings, French fries, baked beans, drinks, cake and ice-cream. Please make plans to join in the Graduation Celebration dinner.

Honors & Recognitions: As we near the closing of the school year we like to recognize our students as well as all church families with any recent awards or recognitions. We would like to include your news in next month's newsletter. Please call the church office at 745-1560 or drop the information in the offering plate!

Rejoicing Spirits: Rejoicing Spirits service will be on Sunday, May 19 at 4:00 PM at the Cedar Springs UMC.

Youth News: No Youth meeting today. Attention all Allen Youth, don't miss regular meetings scheduled for Sunday's at 4:30 PM. The next Youth meeting will be May 19!

Church Picnic Rescheduled: The Allen Memorial Family Life Church-Wide Picnic is rescheduled for Sunday, May 26 at the home of Becky Jaquish. Please plan to arrive with your covered dishes and your lawn chairs between 4:30 and 5:00. Pastor Joe will have devotion. Yard games will be set up for those who will join in and plenty of great food! Please plan to join in this time of fellowship with your church family.

Vacation Bible School News: Our VBS "Kingdom Rocks" is scheduled to begin on Sunday, June 2-7 from 5:30 -8:45 for ages 2 through 5th grade. Music starts at 5:20. We will have our annual closing program on Friday, June 7, beginning at 7:00 PM. All parents, family and friends are invited to come and see what the kids have been learning. Children will come on Friday at 5:30 PM to practice and prepare for the big show! Please make sure that your children participate and bring their friends as we look forward to a great week at VBS.

VBS: Your help is needed in providing refreshments each evening. Any amount you can donate would be appreciated. Just mark your checks and envelopes VBS refreshments. Thank you for your help with VBS!

Men's Group: The Men's Group meets on the first Sunday morning of each month. All men of the church are welcome to join together on June 2 at 8:30 AM for a hearty breakfast, devotions and fellowship.

UMW Meeting: The United Methodist Women will meet on Saturday, June 8 at 12 noon in Wattenbarger Hall. Members are asked to bring a salad to share for lunch together. All ladies of the church are welcome.

Help! Youth Yard Sale Date: The Youth yard sale will be on Saturday, June 15. Please collect all your donations and bring them to the storage building. Contact Lela Lawson or the church office for information.

Holston Conference/Liberia Mission Project: A copy of the "Hands on Mission Project" for the Holston Annual Conference may be found in the window in the side vestibule. A 2.5 gallon bag is provided along with the Mission Project List for packing the items for shipment. Please include \$5.00 for shipping and return to the packed bag to the table in the side vestibule.

Relay/Thank You: Thanks to everyone who helped in any way with the Relay for Life. A special thanks to Joyce Grubb, Carlene Kuykendall, Kim Rymer, Sara Beth Rymer and Yvonne Raper for all their hard work!

Camper News: Brochures are now available in the side vestibule for the Summer Camping Program! The church offers scholarships for our children; call the church office for the Allen Camper Code for registration.

New Structural Repair Fund: Our church is facing a Major expense for repairs to the structure of our building. There is a problem with the foundation where the Sunday School wing connects to the Sanctuary. Our trustees are considering recommendations made by a structural engineer. Work will begin sometime this year. Please give to this new Structural Repair fund as God leads.

Something for Everyone/ Fall Trip News: Pick up a brochure in the side vestibule if you are interested in the Fall Trip to Virginia, Delaware, and Pennsylvania on October 6-10.

Imagine No Malaria: You may continue to give to this special ministry until June. Thank You!

Flower Containers: If you have any containers at home and can help us reuse them, put them in the side vestibule. Thank You!

Special Gifts: *Special gifts* were given to the Structural Repair Fund in memory of James "Tooter" Collins by Michael & Pattie Rae Bryant and by Debbie Hashe. *Special gifts* were given to the Structural Repair Fund in memory of Jewel Sparkman by Charles & Charlotte Newman and by Debbie Hashe. *Special gifts* were given to the Structural Repair Fund in memory of Richard Delmas by Charles & Charlotte Newman.

Flowers Next Week: May 19 – Kelly and Brian Bean

Weekly Prayer Concerns

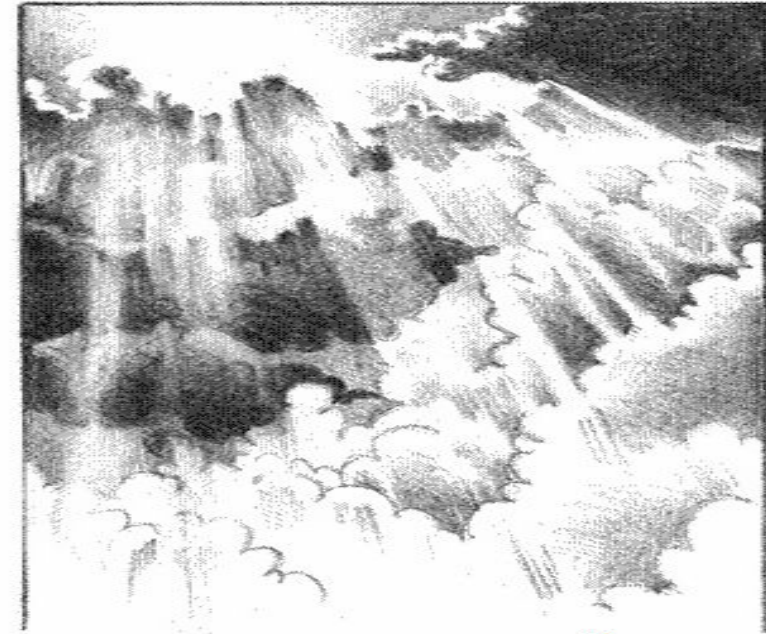
For this week: Kathy Clark, Ingrid Cooley, Charles Littleton, Kelly McLemore

Body & Soul Reservations: Men's Group- Breakfast for Supper on Wednesday, May 15 at 6:00 PM

Name _____

No. of Adults _____ / \$3.00

No. of Children _____ / \$1.50



Ascension Sunday

Allen Memorial United Methodist Church

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 12th, 2013

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The Mission of the United Methodist Church

*"The mission of the Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.
Local churches provide the most significant arena through which disciples-making occurs."*

From the 2008 M Book of Discipline, ¶120U

