



Welcome

First United Methodist Church Cleveland, Tennessee
2nd Sunday after the Epiphany, January 17, 2021

Gathering and Announcements

Worship in Music

Affirmation from I Timothy 2:5-6; 1:15; 3:16

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 42:6-7

Morning Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Lesson

II Thessalonians 1:11-12

Worship in Music

Message

Pastor Curt McKee
"Worthy of the Calling"

Benediction

Sermon Notes January 17, 2021
WORTHY OF THE CALLING
Isaiah 42:6-7 II Thessalonians 1:11-12

Worthy—Calling Isaiah's prophecy -Called in Righteousness -Held Constantly by the Lord -Kept Secure in the Lord -Covenant for the People -Light for the Gentiles...Calling involving being sent with the message that God is available -Open Eyes which are Blind -Freedom for Captives -Light for Those who are in the Darkness...

Thessalonian Believers...Been through a lot, suffered, endured remained faithful. Paul's Constant Prayer—God will make you Worthy of his Calling...& God brings to Fruition...your desires and deeds prompted by Faith...& that the Name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you and you in him...GRACE!

PATTERN for us: Called—Worthy only through Christ—God brings our Projects to completion—Jesus Christ is Glorified in us.

Hard Word: Trials and Persecutions are ahead...ignore, deny, or accept

It is then Vital that we Grow in our Faith, Grow in Grace...Endure...Great Evidence of Growth—Love for one another...Increasing!

Utmost Importance—Our Testimony

Christ has made us Worthy...Christ is making us Holy!

We Respond by what we do knowing we are Called, Worthy, are Becoming more Holy by the Power of Christ!

ONLINE GIVING

You may mail your Tithes & Offerings and Memorials to the church **OR** To give your Tithes & Offerings online go to: <https://holston-reg.brapp.com/ChurchOffering>

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the Chick-Fil-A gift cards and letters of encouragement. Your support of our students and faculty is priceless. I am so thankful for your partnership, prayers, and support! I hope you've all had a wonderful Christmas!

Mike Chai, Principal
Arnold Memorial Elementary School

5th Sunday Offering

Jackson's dad has been in and out of prison most of his life. During his time at Holston Home, Jackson has been struggling with the decision to give his life to Christ. After spending several days feeling the love and support of staff and other leaders Jackson finally decided to follow Jesus. He was quickly welcomed into a family that would promise to build him up. Please consider giving to Holston Home and the many other children that will meet Jesus because of your generosity. Donations should be made to the church and designated "Holston Home." You may bring them by or mail them to the church office.

GET HEALTHY

Church member, Maurice Saliba (in conjunction with Blood Assurance) would like to extend an offer to YOU...

A 26-week Online Program to change the effects of diabetes, high-blood pressure, depression and weight gain. You could lose 10-15 pounds in the first 6 weeks!

This is a \$500 value program offered at only \$50! Register online at www.bridge2healthandwellness.com or make a donation at Blood Assurance and get an additional \$25 off! **The deadline to register is 1-31-21** Contact Maurice at maurice316@gmail.com>

SMALL GROUPS

Who's ready for fellowship?

If you would like to gather as a small group...

- no more than 10 people
- masked and 6-feet apart
 - on church campus
- beginning in February

Call or email the church office for dates/times available to meet!

Unfortunately, due to continued Covid-19 circumstances, children grades 5th & younger are not meeting and childcare for adult meetings will not be provided.

Prayer REQUESTS

SHORT TERM PRAYER

- Family of Jim May
- Family of Gib Nelson
- Jean Benecke
- Family of Martha Cooke

LONG TERM PRAYER

- Mary Helen Allen
- Patsy Barger
- Alan David
- Kathy Farner
- Larry Gutsenberger
- Sean Hale
- Bonnie Headrick
- Charlton Hedgcock
- Wilma Hiser
- Brenda Holder
- Bella Krecklow
- Jaimi Lambert

- Janet Lynch
- Betty McLain
- Alesia McNelley
- Mary Ann Merritt
- Grayson Moser
- Carolyn Owens
- Janet Parks
- Eleanor Perkinson
- Don Ritzhaupt
- Carolyn Rogers
- Jane Rufener
- Nalini Samuel
- Charlotte Scott
- Mavis Smith
- Stuart Switzer
- Olivia Weatherford
- Elaine Whitcomb
- Drew White
- Don Wood

Gifts to the Church

To the Building Fund

In memory of Vi Janisewski by the Seekers Circle

To the Mary Diana Samuel Home

In honor of Libby Carmon by Her Family

To the Youth Fund

In memory of Hubert Conley by Bob & Libby Carmon

In memory of Peter Knox by Bob & Libby Carmon

In memory of Hubert Conley by Robert, Jill & Lily Bradney

In honor of Will Jenne & Albion Johnson by Terril Littrell

To the Children's Ministry

In memory of Addison & Grant Gobble by Ian & Lisa Harper

In memory of John Lynch by Bob & Nancy Boyd

To the Christmas Project

In memory of Vi Janisewski by Bob & Libby Carmon

In memory of William Buchanan by Bob & Libby Carmon

To the Landscaping Fund

In memory of Ruby Clevenger by Bob & Nancy Boyd

To the Caring Place

In honor of the Church Staff by Harry & Lila Switzer

To the General Fund

In honor of Libby Carmon by Her Family

To the Family Promise Ministry

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To the Communications Fund

In memory of Rick Rybak by Bob & Nancy Boyd

In memory of Joan Nicodemus by Bob & Nancy Boyd

To the Lippard Scholarship Fund

In memory of Joe & Blanche Lippard by John & Lynda Cock Family

To the United Methodist Men

In memory of Vi Janisewski by Bob & Nancy Boyd

Continue to worship with us online on Sunday mornings at 10:45 AM.

You can subscribe to our YouTube channel by visiting this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7OTc1ZhVZhnxcWJzMOaqbQ>