

Opportunities and Announcements

CALENDAR

Sunday, September 10

8:45 am Contemporary Worship
 10:00 am Sunday School
 11:00 am Traditional Worship
 2:00 pm Ladies' Mosaic Craft Time
 6:00 pm UMYF Cookout

Monday, September 11

10:30 am Ladies' Walking Group
 5:30 pm SC Knitting Guild
 6:30 pm Church Leadership Council

Tuesday, September 12

10:00 am Mary Martha Group

Wednesday, September 13

5:30 pm Children's Choir & Activities
 5:45 pm Wednesday Meal
 6:15 pm Disciple Fast Track
 6:20 pm Handbells
 7:00 pm Choir Practice

Thursday, September 14

5:00 pm Wheelchair League Practice

Friday, September 15

6:30 pm NA Group

Saturday, September 16



Wednesday Night Meal and Programming will resume on September 13th

Menu:

Plate Meal:

Pork Barbecue, Cole Slaw,
 Baked Beans

Alternative Meal Option:

Grilled Chicken Dinner Salad

A reservation **must** be made by Monday evening for the upcoming Wednesday meal. A meal choice of either **the Plate Meal or the Alternative Meal**

Option must be made when making your reservation.

Reservations can be made using the cards in the pews, eblast link or calling the office.



On Tuesday, September 12, the Mary Martha

Group will meet in the church parking lot at 10:00 am to drive together to Waterstone Assisted Living on August Road to visit Audrey White and have an informal time to learn about Waterstone. Light refreshments will be served.



Who: Faithful Friends (All are welcome!)

When: Tuesday, September 19 @ 6:30 pm

Where: Robyn Campbell's house--14 Lynchester Rd.

*We are a small group of young women who gather monthly to grow in our relationship with each other and with God!



Serving this Sunday

Liturgist

Lindsay Carrington

Children's Church Assistant

Jennie Carrington

Crucifer

Joshua Powers

Acolytes

Madison Powers, Caroline Powers

Communion Assistant

Kathy Marrelli

Serving in



Attendance Slips

8:45 am The Mitchell Family
 11:00 am Anna Cobb

Ushers Jimmy Orr, Lee Geddie,
 Jason Lynch, Marc Murphy

Altar Guild

Jennie Carrington, Adelaide Johnson

Pew Angels

Claire Barnett, Sarah Taylor

Bulletin & Newsletter Editing

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Look for St. Matthew Guest
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Greeters are needed at the 11:00 am Traditional Worship Service. This job is so important as you are the first face seen when a member or guest walks through our doors.

Dates available are:

October 1, 15, 22, 29
 November 5, 19 (one needed), 26
 December 3, 10 (one needed), 17, 24, 31



September 10, 2017
 14th Sunday after Pentecost



DISCIPLE FAST TRACK

IT'S NOT TO LATE!
 Disciple Fast Track Study will begin Wednesday, September 13, 6:15-7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All participants should plan to pick up their Study Manuals from the Church Office prior to the first class. A good study Bible

Order of Worship

We are glad you are here to worship this morning. An asterisk (*) indicates the congregation stands, if able. Please see an usher if a hearing device would be helpful.

PRELUDE Song of Peace Clokey
 ♦ We enter the Sanctuary in quiet prayerfulness in preparation for worship. Please register your attendance at this time on the Pads provided in the pews.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE
 ♦ You are invited to rise and share the gift of God's peace with those around you using this, or some similar exchange:
 "The peace of the Lord be with you." **"And also with you."**

*CHIMING OF THE HOUR

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN Become to Us the Living Bread 630

*OPENING PRAYER (Unison)

Lord Jesus, who has come to reveal to us the great mystery of how those who strive to secure their own well-being will always suffer its loss, but those who give themselves to the gospel work of securing the well-being of others will save their lives: Meet us, we humbly ask, at your Table today, and renew this great truth in us; that we might - more and more - become as you are, wholly devoted to God, and holy in all our relationships with others. Amen.

*SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 58:3-14
 Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God
People: Thanks be to God

*GLORIA PATRI

**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.**

- ♦ Following the Gloria Patri 3K-1st age children may go to the sanctuary entrance to be led to Children's Church on the second floor of the Education Building. If escorted by a parent, younger children may be taken to the nursery on the first floor of the Education Building.) If this is your child's first time in Children's Church, please walk them to the sanctuary entrance.
- ♦ **Note** that parents who wish to have their children join them for Holy Communion may come for them during the Hymn of Preparation below.
- ♦ Prayer requests are brought forward to the Acolytes by the Ushers at this time.

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY PRAYER

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY This is the Feast Nelson
 Sanctuary Choir

*PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY 95
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise God, all creatures here below;
 Praise God, above, ye heavenly host;
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING I Peter 1:1-5; 13-16
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SERMON "The Fruit of the Spirit Is . . . Self-Control" Randy Smith

*HYMN OF PREPARATION Fill My Cup, Lord 641
 (sing twice)

- ♦ Parents who wish to have their children join them for Holy Communion may pick up their child from Children's Church during the singing of this hymn.

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING 15

THE LORD'S PRAYER
**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.**

BREAKING OF THE BREAD & SHARING OF THE CUP
 COMMUNION ANTHEM Taste And See Moore
 Sanctuary Choir

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

*CLOSING HYMN A Charge to Keep I Have 413

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE The Lord Bless And Keep You Strathdee

*POSTLUDE Christ Lag In Todesbanden Bach

SCRIPTURES

Isaiah 58:3-14

³"Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?" Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers.⁴ Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high.⁵ Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the LORD? ⁶Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? ⁷Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin ⁸Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.⁹ Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am. If you remove the yoke from among you the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,¹⁰ if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.¹¹ The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail.¹² Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.¹³ If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs; ¹⁴then you shall take delight in the LORD, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

I Peter 1:1-5, 13-16

¹Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To the exiles of the Dispersion in Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, ²who have been chosen and destined by God the Father and sanctified by the Spirit to be obedient to Jesus Christ and to be sprinkled with his blood: May grace and peace be yours in abundance.³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ¹³Therefore prepare your minds for action; discipline yourselves; set all your hope on the grace that Jesus Christ will bring you when he is revealed. ¹⁴Like obedient children, do not be conformed to the desires that you formerly had in ignorance. ¹⁵Instead, as he who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct; ¹⁶for it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

Those In Need Of Prayer			
Claire Barnett	Crescent Cobb	Eugenia Keck	Ellen Slatton
Eleanor Bielaski	(grandson of Eddie & Anna Cobb)	Olive Koger	Tom Sudderth
(mother of Dawn Anderson)	Michael Cook	Eric & Teri Lockwood	(brother of Terhune Sudderth)
Eddie Cobb	June Gaillard	Dot Looney	Terry Williams
	Gage Hood	Sandra Niven	Doyle & Honey Yates
		Ann Osborne	
The Homebound		Out of Town Prayers	
Tim Barnett	Mary Walker Morris	Ben & Jane Cunningham	
Judy Cochran	Daggett Royals	(parents of Marty Brown)	
Miles Day	Lois Smith	Cindy Davis (niece of Bob Davis)	
Cathy Gardner	Gay Swilley	Laurie Ervin	
Barbara Holzberger	Mildred Thompson	Jim Gibbs	
Carolyn Monroe	Dick & Sara Young	Jackson Hall (son of Chuck & Jane Hall)	
Serving Our County			
Evan Childers	Katelyn Kirkpatrick	Jeanne Stonoha	
Trent Erickson	Kimberlie Kirkpatrick	(mother of Mary Ann Stonoha)	
Jonathan Howard	Jeffrey Van Camp, Jr.	Thomas Stonoha	
Tom Jordan	Kris Welanetz	(brother of Mary Ann Stonoha)	