

## ANNOUNCEMENTS \*

**WELCOME REV. JEANNIE HUNTER** - Rev. Jeannie Hunter is the Tennessee Regional Director of the Society of St. Andrew, a nonprofit which gleans excess food, donating it to feeding agencies. A graduate of Eckerd College and Emory University, Jeannie has worked in colleges, churches, and nonprofits. She is mom to 10-year-old Esther.

**FELLOWSHIP WALK/HIKE** – We will walk at Cane Creek Park in Cookeville at 3p.m. today, October 24<sup>th</sup>.

**COMING VERY SOON!** - In-person choir, nursery, children, youth, and adult Activities. More details are found in the newsletter.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY** – You are invited to join the new *Mathew 25* Bible study, September 15 thru November 06, 2021. The Zoom link is in the newsletter and on our website.

### SUNDAY MORNING CALENDAR

- **The Religion and Culture class** will be exploring the essay, "Claiming a Fast in Pandemic Time" by Callie J. Smith. Heide Weidner will lead the discussion. Please contact Heide at [hzweidner@gmail.com](mailto:hzweidner@gmail.com) for the article that will accompany the lesson conducted on Zoom.
- A **Nursery** is available in Room 10. 10:45am-12:15pm (ages 5 and under)

### IN OUR PRAYERS

Scott; Nancy; Pam; Amy Ainsley's mom, Gladys; Jessica Germenis' Mom; Diane Glasgow; Hunter family in Saudi Arabia; Josh Kvale; Layla Ledbetter; **Connie Lynchard**; Pam Minton; Mickey, Evelyn, and John Plecan; Sue Rich; David Robertson; Ernie Robertson; Angelo Volpe; Rick Woods' mom, Nancy and his sister, Vicky; Healthcare workers; The orphanage in Lesotho, Africa; Teachers, administrators, and staff for the school year; The Country of Haiti and Haitian migrants.

#### Elders:

2021 Sam Glasgow, Chelsea Holland, Marilyn Ledbetter  
2022 Jeremy Germenis, Barry Turner, Donna Simpson  
2023 Jon Dugle, John Nisbet, David Pelren  
**Clerk of Session:** Linda Wilson

#### Deacons:

2021 Cathy Dewey, Jessica Germenis, Jim Greeson, Kay Powell  
2022 Chris McCormick, Alana Pelren, Erica Scott  
2023 Myrna Estes, Ron Ledbetter, Amy Woods



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## A Service for the Lord's Day

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

October 24, 2021, 11:00 AM

\* Indicates that those who are able may stand

**Bold type is spoken by the people.**

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTARY:

Toccata

*Girolamo Frescobaldi*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

*Bob See, liturgist*

ONE: Come, you who are weary.

**ALL: Lay down your burdens, for God can carry them.**

ONE: Come, you who are joyful.

**ALL: Join in God's praise with the choir of the saints.**

ONE: Come, you who are doubting.

**ALL: Behold the one who brings sight to the blind.**

\*OPENING HYMN:

From All That Dwell Below the Skies

**#327**

### CALL TO & PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ONE: It is only by the power of God that we are able to stand against evil. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin, saying...

**ALL: Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us. Heal us of our blindness, O Lord, for it is a blindness we have chosen. We close our eyes when faced with suffering of the world, turn our gaze away from the needs of our neighbors, and blur our faces in the mirror, lest we recognize your image. Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on us. Heal us of our blindness, and open our eyes to the beauty of your grace. Amen.**

### SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

\*RESPONSE HYMN: Lord Have Mercy Upon Us #575

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ONE: Now stand firm in your faith, covered by the saving grace of God and ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

ALL: Thanks be to God.

\*GLORIA PATRI #581

**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!**

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES *The Reverend Jeannie Hunter*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 P.427

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: Psalm 19:7-14 P.472

ONE: Keep these words in your heart. The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *The Reverend Jeannie Hunter*

\*SERMON HYMN: Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing #475

\*COMMUNAL AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostle's Creed*

**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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*GREETINGS

After an exchange of Peace between the Pastor and the Congregation, we encourage you to greet one another. The Greetings will conclude with the first verse of *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*.

ONE: ...The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

ALL: And also with you.

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love; #306  
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ONE: ... Let your will be done,

ALL: on earth as in heaven.

ALL: **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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

INVITATION TO GIVING

OFFERTORY: Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior *Gilbert M. Martin*

OFFERING

\*DOXOLOGY #606

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

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*CLOSING HYMN: Open My Eyes, That I May See #451

\*BENEDICTION

ONE: ...Alleluia!

ALL: Alleluia!

POSTLUDE: From All That Dwell Below the Skies *Larry Shackley*