



First Church

OF NEW KNOXVILLE

Rooted in Christ, Growing Together, Serving the World

**First Church recognizes Jesus Christ
as the head of the Church and as Savior and Lord.**

**We are a community of faith who engage Biblical truth
to provide an environment where people mature
as disciples of Christ.**

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In Worship Today

Jack Schrolucke, Lay Leader
Erik Hirschfeld, Music Director
Sharon Chaney, Musician
Connie Schroer, Scripture
Shelby Rohrbaugh, Children's Chat

If you are a Guest or Visitor today, we are glad you're here!

- **The Restrooms** are in the basement at the East end of the church and inside the main glass doors of the ministry building next door.
- **The Nursery for Young Children** is located in the basement. You can go down any set of stairs near the entrances to reach the nursery.
- **Children's Activity Bags** are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Inside are activities and fun things for your kids to do.
- **Large Print bulletins** are available at the back of the sanctuary near the table.
- **Hearing Assistance Devices** – Please see the sound system technician on the South wall if you would like to use one.
- **WiFi Connection is available** for those who wish to use their device to connect to the Bible app or take notes. Connect via “FirstChurchWifi Guest”
- **The Bible App by YouVersion** -- Under the “More” tab in the Bible App you will find the Events feature. Each Sunday you can find the scripture, sermon key points and weekly questions.

Welcome to Worship at First Church

*The * invites those who are able to stand.*

Prelude – We Gather Together

Welcome & Announcements

***Call to Worship** — Psalm 78:1-7

One: ¹ My people, hear my teaching;
listen to the words of my mouth.
² I will open my mouth with a parable;
I will utter hidden things, things from of old—
³ things we have heard and known,
things our ancestors have told us.

**All: ⁴ We will not hide them from their descendants;
we will tell the next generation
the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord,
his power, and the wonders he has done.**

One: ⁵ He decreed statutes for Jacob
and established the law in Israel,
which he commanded our ancestors
to teach their children,
⁶ so the next generation would know them,

even the children yet to be born,
and they in turn would tell their children.
All: ⁷ **Then they would put their trust in God
and would not forget his deeds
but would keep his commands.**

***Hymn No. 88** – Fairest Lord Jesus

Children’s Chat & Greeting Time

Remembering our Soldiers

***Hymn No. 575** – Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Prayer & The Lord’s Prayer [using debts and debtors]

Giving Back to God

Ministry: Sanctuary Painting Project

Offertory Music: More Like You Lord by Althause

Offertory Hymn No. 623 – Gloria Patri

***Scripture Reading** - Ephesians 6:1-4 & Proverbs 22:6

Message – Cross Shaped Parent

***Hymn No. 275** – How Firm a Foundation

***Blessing, Dismissal & Postlude**

This Week at First church

Today is Veteran’s Day and we thank and honor all those who serve and have served their country in the U.S. Military. *Thank you.*

The Roses on the Altar are in honor of two couples celebrating Wedding Anniversaries. *Congratulations!*

- ♥ Michael & Lynn McCabe will celebrate 55 years on November 14.
- ♥ Terry & Rebecca Huston will celebrate 56 years on November 16.

The Bookmark in your bulletin today is from our guided prayer session this morning before worship. We prayed through the scriptures and topics you see represented there. We invite you to join together in praying for our families, our church, our communities and our government. Place this bookmark in your bible or wherever you will see it as a reminder.

Meeting Reminder: Spiritual Council meets on Monday, November 12 at 7:00 pm in the conference room.

Bell & Choir Practice Time Changes for November: On Nov. 14 Bells will begin at 6:45 and Choir at 7:45 pm. On Nov. 21 there is no Bell or Choir practice as we will be at the NK UMC for Thanksgiving Eve service. On Nov. 28 we return to normal schedule of Bells at 6:30 and Choir at 7:30 pm.

Our youth group Thanksgiving Dinner will be Wednesday, November 14 from 6:30-8pm for all junior and senior high students. We will be having a full Thanksgiving meal together and reflecting on the things we are most thankful for! Come hungry and bring your friends!

Life of the Church

Scripture Readers for Thanksgiving Eve – Pastor Dennis at the NK UMC is looking for 3 to 4 people willing to read scripture at the Thanksgiving Eve service on Wednesday evening, November 21. You can email him at pastordennisg@yahoo.com or call our church office and let Connie know.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship - For many years the United Methodist and First Church congregations have taken turns hosting a service on Thanksgiving Eve to give thanks for God's blessings. This year NK United Methodist Church will host the service on Wednesday, November 21 beginning at 7:30 p.m. with Pastor Joel giving the evening message. The choirs of both congregations will join together to share special music. The offering on this evening will support Agape Ministries in St. Marys.

Does your piano need tuning? On Thursday, December 13 the church's piano tuner will be in New Knoxville. Each year he reserves time to schedule individuals who would like theirs tuned also. Call Connie at the church office for more info.

We need help in the Nursery for November 25 & most of December. Our nursery ministry is a vital part of a healthy growing church. If anyone is able to serve, please sign up on the sheet which is located on the front pew near the altar.

Prayer Needs – Shannon Roediger in India, Beth Knol, Ed Oberlander, Kathy Williams, Joann Feldwisch, Cameron Wilkerson, Don Prueter, Robert Schroer, Mike Geib, Shawn Spencer, Ted Lammers, Becky Quellhorst, Marilyn Kuck, Ned Niemeyer, Don Heidt, Mable Meckstroth, Scarlett Unrast, Michael Allen, Judy Hoelscher, Wavalene Opperman, Darell Rupert, Helen Wellman, Irma Hoelscher, Kathy Schrolucke, Thelma Arnett, Ruth Kuck, and Betty Kiefer. *(Please let us know if you would like to be added or removed from the prayer list – the office staff does not know to take you off unless you ask. Thank you)*

Operation Christmas Child - Grab an empty shoebox and reach out to needy children in desperate situations around the world. The shoe box you fill may be the only Christmas present many of the children will receive. Christian literature is also added to each shoe box by Samaritans Purse sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ!

This is not just a Sunday school project. Everyone is encouraged to take part and fill a shoe box. Brochures with box labels are at the entrances and on the info table by the custodians office. The shoe boxes can be brought in throughout November. *The final deadline is Sunday, November 18 at 11:30 am.*

Changes for this year – The cost to ship each box is \$9. If you are able to cover the cost of shipping that is a blessing and we thank you. Instructions for that are on the label. If you are not able to make up a box but would like to cover the cost of postage for a box that would be a blessing also! Just mark your check or envelope “Christmas child box postage” and drop it in the offering plate. Any donations received over that needed to cover the cost of a box will go directly to Samaritan’s Purse.

Dates to Remember

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| November 21 | Joint Thanksgiving Eve Worship at the NK United Methodist Church – 7:30 pm |
| November 25 | Following worship we will decorate the church for Christmas |
| December 3 | Sunday School teachers Christmas party |
| December 16 | Children’s Christmas Program following morning worship |
| December 24 | Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship – 7:30 pm |

Facts & Figures from last Sunday

Total Sunday Collection - \$2,768.30	Worship Attendance – 213
General Fund - \$2,138.30	
Pledges - \$250.00	
Furnace Project Gifts. -\$275.00	
Christmas Child Box Gifts - \$105.00	
Online Giving for the week-\$830.00	
Sunday School Offering - \$24.77	

Sermon Questions: Cross-Shaped Parent

1. What is the goal of parenting? How would you define a “successful” parent?
2. Who or what influenced your views of parenting the most? What impact did they have?
3. What is the purpose of discipline? How do you discipline your children? How have you experienced God’s discipline in your own life?
4. How does the role of a parent change as the child grows older? As they become adults?
5. How do you raise children to be prepared for eternity? What practical advice can you offer to parents at different stages of parenthood in this area?
6. How can you be a spiritual parent to someone else in the church? Why are these kind of relationships important?
7. Who has been a spiritual parent to you? What can you do to thank them for their contribution to your faith?

This Week at First Church – November 11 - 18

TODAY

- 8:00 am Men's Bible Study – Min. Ctr. youth room
8:00 am Guided Prayer – Heritage Room
9:00 am Worship Service
10:15 am Sunday School for children
10:15 am Confirmation Class – Min. Ctr. youth room
10:15 am Adult Sunday School led by Jay Elshoff – Heritage room
10:15 am Gospel Project Adult Sunday school led by Pastor Joel – Min. Ctr. big room
4:30 pm Sr. High Youth Bible Study – Dave & Judy Bambauer's home
6:30-8 pm Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University – Min. Ctr.

MON.

- 7:00 pm Spiritual Council Meeting

TUES.

- 9:30 am Women's Bible Study
2:00 pm Grand Adults Fellowship & Games – Min. Ctr. youth room
6:30 pm Growth Group Study led by Pastor Joel & Alie – Min. Ctr.

WED.

- 6:30 pm Jr. & Sr. High Youth Thanksgiving Dinner
6:45 pm Bell Choir Practice
7:45 pm Vocal Choir Practice

NEXT SUN.

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Christmas Poinsettias

The Christian Women's Outreach will be purchasing poinsettias to be taken to our shut-ins at home and in the nursing homes to enjoy for the holidays.

Anyone who would like to deliver a poinsettia can pick it up in the Heritage room on December 2

Each poinsettia will have a tag with the recipient's name and where it is to be delivered.

The following list of people will be given a poinsettia.

(If we have overlooked anyone please call the church office at 753-2446 or Nancy Bambauer at 753-2275)

Elmwood Assisted Living: Ruth Kuck, Mildred Shellenberger, Irma Hoelscher, Mary Katterheinrich, Don Prueter, Wavalene Opperman, Helen Wellman.

Vancrest Living Center: Erma Meyer

Briarwood Village in Coldwater – Thelma Arnett

Miller House in Celina – Adrian & Marilyn Kuck

The following would enjoy cards in lieu of poinsettias. Please take a moment to drop them a card or note during the holiday season.

Mark Schneider, 924 Daisy Dr. Wapakoneta, OH 45895

Joann Elshoff, Heritage Manor, 24 N. Hamilton St.,
Minster, OH 45865

Dorothy Egan, Bowling Green Care Center, 850 W. Poe Rd.,
Bowling Green, OH 43402