



# *First Church*

OF NEW KNOXVILLE

**Rooted in Christ, Growing Together, Serving the World**

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**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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**Assisting in Worship Today**

Sharon Chaney, Musician

Praise & Worship Team

Barb Howe, Organist

Carolyn Lammers, Children's Chat

Anita Roediger, Scripture Reader

***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.
- **Large Print bulletins** are available at the back of the sanctuary near the info center.
- **Children's Activity Bags** are available at the info center at the back of the sanctuary.
- **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”
- **Our Worship Service** is broadcast each Sunday on T-102 FM at 10:15a
- **Facebook Live** - We stream our service live via our Facebook page “firstchurchnk” at 9:00 am on Sundays.
- **The \* invites those who are able, to rise.**

***Welcome to Worship at First Church***

**Prelude** – Amazing Grace, Miss Reagan Hirschfeld

**Welcome**

**\* Call to Worship** from Psalm 119:129-136

**All:**       <sup>129</sup> **Your statutes are wonderful;  
                  therefore I obey them.**

<sup>130</sup> **The unfolding of your words gives light;  
                  it gives understanding to the simple.**

<sup>131</sup> **I open my mouth and pant,  
                  longing for your commands.**

<sup>132</sup> **Turn to me and have mercy on me,  
                  as you always do to those who love your name.**

<sup>133</sup> **Direct my footsteps according to your word;  
                  let no sin rule over me.**

<sup>134</sup> **Redeem me from human oppression,  
                  that I may obey your precepts.**

<sup>135</sup> **Make your face shine on your servant  
and teach me your decrees.**

<sup>136</sup> **Streams of tears flow from my eyes,  
for your law is not obeyed.**

**\*Hymn No. 275 – How Firm A Foundation**

**\*Praise Song – Come Behold the Wonderous Mystery**

**Come behold the wondrous myst'ry,  
In the dawning of the King.  
He the theme of heaven's praises,  
robed in frail humanity.  
In our longing, in our darkness,  
now the light of life has come.  
Look to Christ, who condescended,  
took on flesh to ransom us.**

**Come behold the wondrous myst'ry,  
He the perfect Son of Man.  
In His living, in His suff'ring,  
never trace nor stain of sin.  
See the true and better Adam,  
come to save the hell-bound man.  
Christ, the great and sure fulfillment  
of the law, in Him we stand.**

**Come behold the wondrous myst'ry,  
Christ the Lord upon the tree.  
In the stead of ruined sinners  
hangs the Lamb in victory.**

**See the price of our redemption,  
see the Father's plan unfold.  
Bringing many sons to glory;  
grace unmeasured, love untold.**

**Come behold the wondrous myst'ry,  
slain by death, the God of life.**

**But no grave could e'er restrain Him.  
Praise the Lord, He is alive!**

**What a foretaste of deliv'rance,  
how unwavering our hope.  
Christ in power resurrected,  
as we will be when He comes.**

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how unwavering our hope.  
Christ in power resurrected,  
as we will be when He comes.**

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Matt Boswell | Matt Papa | Michael Bleecker

## **Children's Chat**

### **Giving Back to God**

Offering: General Fund

Music: Musical Medley – Barb Howe, Organist

Offertory Hymn No. 625 – Doxology

### **Prayer & The Lord's Prayer [using debts and debtors]**

### **Scripture Readings**

#### John 8:12

*<sup>12</sup> When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."*

#### John 3:19-21

*<sup>19</sup> This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil. <sup>20</sup> Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. <sup>21</sup> But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God.*

**Message – Jesus is.....the Light of the World**

**\*Praise Song – Way Maker**

**You are here, moving in our midst;  
I worship You, I worship You.  
You are here, working in this place;  
I worship You, I worship You.**

**You are here, moving in our midst;  
I worship You, I worship You.  
You are here, working in this place;  
I worship You, I worship You.**

**You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,  
Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.  
You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,  
Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.**

**You are here, touching ev'ry heart;  
I worship You, I worship You.  
You are here, healing ev'ry heart;  
I worship You, I worship You.**

**You are here, turning lives around;  
I worship You, I worship You.  
You are here, mending ev'ry heart;  
I worship You, yeah, I worship You Lord.**

**You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,  
Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.  
You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,  
Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.**

**That is who You are  
That is who You are  
That is who You are  
That is who You are  
(Repeat)**

**You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,  
Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.  
You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,  
Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.**

**Even when I don't see it, You're working.  
Even when I don't feel it, You're working.  
You never stop, You never stop working.  
You never stop, You never stop working.**

**You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,  
Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.  
You are Way Maker, Miracle Worker, Promise Keeper,  
Light in the darkness, my God, that is who You are.  
That is who You are.**

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## **The Lord's Supper**

## **Benediction, Dismissal & Postlude**

### **Announcements**

**At the Piano Bench** for prelude this morning is Miss Reagan Hirschfeld. Reagan is the daughter of Clinton & Danielle Hirschfeld and is a student of Sharon Chaney's Piano Studio.

**The Blue Jug** for Kentucky Flooding Aid will be out the next few Sundays. Donations will go through Samaritan's Purse who is providing aid to the region.

**Take a Moment Today** to thank Pastor Joel and Pastor Tory for all they and their families do for us. Pastor Joel celebrated 6 years as our Senior Pastor on July 24<sup>th</sup>. Pastor Tory celebrated 7 years as our Youth Pastor on July 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Junior and Senior High bible study** meets on Sunday afternoons at 1 pm. Bible study will be at Dave & Judy Bambauer's home today. We will be in the basement, bring your bible. All 7-12th grade students are welcome!

**There will be a Sunday School Teachers Meeting** on Monday, August 8 at 6 pm in the Ministry Center.

**Our Fall Kick-Off Picnic** will be on Sunday, September 4. We will have outdoor worship at the New Knoxville Park at 10:15 am. We will celebrate the start of the Sunday school year and enjoying time together as a church family with a carry-in lunch and fun activities for the kids. Lunch will be served immediately following the outdoor worship service. First Church will provide the main entrée. Please bring a dish to pass. We will have 9-square set up, a bounce house, face painting and of course the new splash pad for the kids to play in. We are looking forward to kicking off the Fall season together as a church family!

**Dates to Remember** – Sunday School and Confirmation both begin on September 11. Parents you will be receiving letters in the mail this week.

**The Summer Scripture Reading Plan** takes us through the Gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke & John. Copies are available at the info center in the sanctuary and on our website at [www.firstchurchnk.org](http://www.firstchurchnk.org)

**Jesus once asked his disciples “Who do you say I am?”** They had heard reports of what others thought about Jesus. But Jesus wanted to know what they believed about him. The answer to that question reveals a lot about your faith. Like the disciples, we may hear rumors or reports from others about Jesus. But we must not take our cues from culture or any other preconceived notions we have about Jesus. Our answer must be rooted in Scripture. This summer, we are going to study how the Bible answers Jesus' question and how the answer impacts our faith.



**Birthday Card Shower** – Don Maurer will be celebrating a birthday on August 9. He is currently doing physical therapy closer to home and would enjoy a card or word of encouragement. If you would like to send a card or note you may send it to his home (09428 State Route 219, New Knoxville) and Sara will make sure he gets them.

**Prayer List for the Week of August 7** – The Family of William Holtkamp, John & Norma Schroer, Beth (Dammeyer) Olberding, Karl Brandeberry, David Feldwisch, Marcia Wierwille, Dana Meckstroth-Brown, Terry Huston, Bev Beery, Mack Elshoff, Danny Taylor, Don Maurer, Betty Kiefer, Gene Kuck, Isaac Randall, Larry Henschen, and Crystal Miller.

**Online Giving through “My First Church”** – My First Church provides you with 24/7 access to online giving and your giving history. Create a secure log in through the link on our website. Creating an account allows you to submit changes to your personal information, view your giving history, set up online giving (one time or recurring) and download the Church Life Mobile App. How do I sign up? Go to our website [www.firstchurchnk.org](http://www.firstchurchnk.org) & click on “Online Giving”.

**Operation Christmas Child Volunteer Opportunity** – Several members have asked about volunteering to work at an Operation Christmas Child center. There are approximately 20 seats available on the Great Lakes Mission for OCC but trip to Charlotte NC from November 28 to December 3. Cost is based on room occupancy. Information and registration sheets are at the info center or see Sharon Colson as soon as possible. Information regarding a shorter trip to the Chicagoland center will be available at a later date.

**The Bloodmobile** will be at First Church on Friday, August 26 from noon to 6 pm. Appointments can be made by calling 1-800-733-2767 or online at <https://www.redcrossblood.org/>



## This Week at First Church – August 7 to 14

### **TODAY**

### **Communion**

- 8:00 am Men's Prayer Group – Min. Ctr. Youth Room  
9:00 am Morning Worship  
1:00 pm Jr. / Sr. High Youth Bible Study – location TBD

### **MONDAY**

- 6:00 pm Sunday School Teachers Meeting – Min. Ctr.

### **WEDNESDAY**

- 9:00 pm Jr. / Sr. High Youth Movie Night at Tory's house

### **NEXT SUN.**

- 8:00 am Men's Prayer Group - Min. Ctr. Youth Room  
9:00 am Morning Worship  
1:00 pm Jr. / Sr. High Youth Bible Study – location TBD

### **Total Offering on July 31 - \$1,344.00    Attendance: 137**

- Offering for the Those In Need Fund - \$1,089.00  
General Fund Gifts & Pledges - \$225.00  
Radio Fund Gifts - \$30.00

### **Blue Jug Gifts on July 31 for Kentucky Flooding Aid - \$481.00**

### **Online Giving for the week of July 31 - \$1,220.00**

## AGAPE MINISTRIES FOOD PANTRY

### Items Needed to Re-stock the Food Pantry

Chicken & Beef Broth

Diced Tomatoes

Scalloped Box Potatoes

Instant Mashed Potatoes

Pork & Beans

Sloppy Joe Sauce

Egg Noodles

Macaroni & Cheese

Can Peaches

Spaghetti Sauce

Hamburger Helper

Taco Kits & Salsa

#### BREAKFAST ITEMS

Pancake Mix

Waffle Mix

Cereal

Fruit Bars

#### BAKING ITEMS

Sugar & Flour

Oil & Vinegar

#### CONDIMENTS

(NO KETCHUP NEEDED)

BBQ Sauce, Pickles

Mustard, Mayonnaise

Salad Dressing

#### **Personal Care**

- Deodorant
- Body Wash
- Feminine Products (Maxi, liners, and regular)
- Diapers (Sizes 5 & 6 Needed Most)
- Toothbrushes & Toothpaste
- Shampoo

Food Items may be left in the Heritage Room or brought to the church office. We will make sure that they are delivered to Agape.

