

Bookwalter United Methodist Church

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Ministry to God through prayer and worship.

Ministry to one another through caring discipleship.

Ministry to others by meeting needs and winning them to Christ.

As I voted this week, it struck me that our democracy is rather dependent upon the reliability and accuracy of these electronic polls. This is not news, but sometimes I am overwhelmed thinking about just how much we depend on our contraptions. My ability to do mental math or remember phone numbers has been diminished by my reliance on calculators and cell phones. I find it frustrating that you need a computer to read the circuitry in a vehicle for most repairs. Cars ran just fine for years without O2 sensors!

A large part of my apprehension about electronics and such is they are not always trustworthy. They lose power, circuits short, wires get crossed and there is always the potential that machines will become sentient and try to terminate us all. I sometimes have anxiety on Saturday nights worrying that I might not be able to print my sermon for whatever reason. I have colleagues who use their tablets to read the Scripture from the pulpit. I would never count on that. Technology can let you down at the most inopportune times.

Some of my reticence is also a general resistance to anything that encroaches upon my own perceived independence. For the most part, this is not necessarily a terrible trait. It's a problem, however, when it influences my relationship with the Lord. He asks for our complete surrender and sometimes that is a hard pill to swallow. The assurance offered though is we need not worry about His reliability. His power never fails. He is with us always. His grace is sufficient for us. His love endures forever. Stand on these promises, that cannot fail. Steve

Sunday: Grief Support Group meeting 3:00 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal, 4:30 p.m. - Women's Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday evening activities 6:30 p.m. for children, youth and adults.

Keenagers will be meeting on Tuesday, May 8, 10:30 a.m. Patsy Blalock will have devotions, and the program will be a KPD Officer to talk about keeping safe in different emergency situations. Invite someone to come with you. Remember to bring non-perishable food items for Emerald Avenue Food Pantry.

Church Council's next meeting – May 14, 7:00 p.m.

The Free Medical Clinic – Dr. Kim, the staff and volunteers are getting ready to celebrate a significant milestone, and they would like you to join them. Twenty-five years ago, Dr. Kim began providing free medical treatment to men and women in the Greater Knoxville area. For approximately 12 years, he did so after normal business hours at his private oncology practice. On July 1, 2005, he closed his practice and launched The Free Medical Clinic where he has been serving uninsured working Americans. In February this year, the clinic welcomed its 15,000th new patient.

The clinic will host a 25th Anniversary Celebration Dinner, 6 to 8 p.m. on Thursday, June 14, Crowne Plaza Hotel. Tickets are \$30 a person. Please see bulletin board outside church office for information on reservations.

Joyce Rasar is a volunteer at the clinic.

You are invited to the birthday celebration honoring Reverend Carl Ware on his 90th birthday, Sunday, June 3, 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Bearden Banquet Hall. RSVP by May 19, to therevis90@yahoo.com or 292-8091. See invitation on bulletin board.

Thank you note on the bulletin board from Zach Smith and his family

Honoring our graduates – If you have someone in your family graduating, please write something about them and leave it with the church office or give to Edie or Steve.

Our Service

May 6, 2018
6th Sunday of Easter

Acolytes Emily and Seth Laws
Nursery Idonna Bryson, Porta Chamberlain
Ushers A.J. Allen, Howard Darnell,
Carolyn Peters, Mary Mahoney

Plan to join us for worship on Sunday, May 6th as we worship the Lord. Scripture will be Hebrews 10:19-25 and the sermon is “HOUSE OF GOD.”

Our Presence and Our Gifts

April 29, 2018

Morning Worship	84
Sunday School	45
Change for Children	\$2.00
Budget Offering	\$2,113.25
Roof	\$20.00
Camp in the Community	\$100.00
Children's Department	\$30.00
Holston Home for Children	\$332.00

Prayer List:

Ken Byrd - surgery
Eddie Cox
Leroy Cox – cancer
Doug Estes, John Bawcum's brother-in-law
Joe Hurst
Jo Ann Learn
Phyllis Maples, Joyce Rasar's sister
Stephanie Melton
Family of Tom Stanberry
Patricia Sutton
Wesley, Sharon Wilson's son

Continuing Care:

Shirrell Baker, Joe Broom, Kermit & Betty Campbell, Samantha Collier, Sarah Hawkins, Joan Leslie Hickman, Margie Johnson, Lynn Mashburn, Jama Newman, Jean Painter, Roy Skeen, Ann Turner, Betty Uhlman, Carolyn & Sue Wilson, Joanne Wilson.