Prelude

Phil Haga, organist

My Jesus, I Love Thee (theme and variation)......by Sydney Lipscomb

**Words of Greeting** 

**Call to Worship** 

Dawn Shores re:worship

We would be perfectly happy if our path were faultless, if we were always in step with God.

This is my commandment: That you love one another.

God has given us commandments that we may live as effectively as possible. With our eyes fixed on doing the right thing, we shall never be put to shame.

Love one another in the same way as I have loved you. O Lord, touch our lips with your saving grace.

that our lives may declare your praise!

**Hymn of Praise** 

Phil Haga

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

**UMH 381** 

At this time, we invite you to bring forward your weekly offering to the plate and your missions giving to the basket.

Doxology UMH 95

First Scripture Reading

Dawn Shores

1 John 5:1-6

**Prayer Concerns** 

Rev. Casey Irwin

Prayer request cards can be brought to the altar rail, or left at the exit near the bulletins.

Silent Prayer

We invite you to name aloud persons you are praying for.

Pastoral prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**UMH 895** 

**Responsive Song** 

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer.

When I call, answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer, O Lord, hear my prayer.

Come and listen to me. (repeat once)

**Second Scripture Reading** 

John 15:9-17 Common English Bible

Sermon Rev. Casey Irwin

Tough Love

Hymn of Benediction
Open My Eyes, That I May See

Phil Haga UMH 454

**Benediction** Rev. Casey Irwin

Postlude Phil Haga, organist

Sing Them Over Again to Me.....by John Ribble

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Announcements

Chancel Choir is back! Easter Sunday, April 9th, will be the first presentation. Rehearsal dates are March 19th, March 26th, April 2nd. We will rehearse in the Sanctuary for less than 1 hour immediately following worship. All are welcome to participate! We will also premier our new choir robes. Contact Phil with any questions or rehearsal conflicts.

In an effort to sustain the expenses such as housing and school tuition, the Help for Haiti Children's Home Board is hosting a Donor Dinner and Auction on Sunday April, 23 at 5 PM. Join us as a volunteer or a donor for an authentic Haitian meal, opportunities for a silent auction, and a presentation about the ministry. Volunteer opportunities will be posted closer to the event date. In the meantime, spread the word, bring a friend, and let's continue our care for these students in the name of Christ.

Missions Committee is sponsoring a peppermint and tissue collection drive for Anderson, Middle and Tennessee High schools. Students receive a peppermint at every standardized test. **Please bring individually wrapped peppermint candy or boxes of tissues** by **Sunday, April 2nd**. Want to help deliver? Contact Pastor Casey or a Mission Committee member.

Pastor Casey will be out of the office for the next week. Please welcome Jennifer Daniel to our pulpit for Sunday, March 26.

## **Church Office Hours:**

2-6 PM Sundays 5-8 PM Tuesdays Wednesdays 5-8 PM

## **Weekly Schedule**

Sundays 9:30 a.m. Sunday School

11:00 a.m. Worship 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Tuesdays 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Thursdays 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting

## **Upcoming Dates**

Sunday, April 23

Sunday, March 19	12:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal Trustees Meeting
Sunday, March 26	12:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, April 2	12:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, April 9	11:00 a.m.	Easter Worship
Sunday, April 16	12:15 p.m.	Administrative Board Meeting
Saturday, April 22	all day	Special Session of Annual Conference

5:00 p.m.

April 24-26 Jubilation "Saints & Sages" Retreat In Pigeon Forge

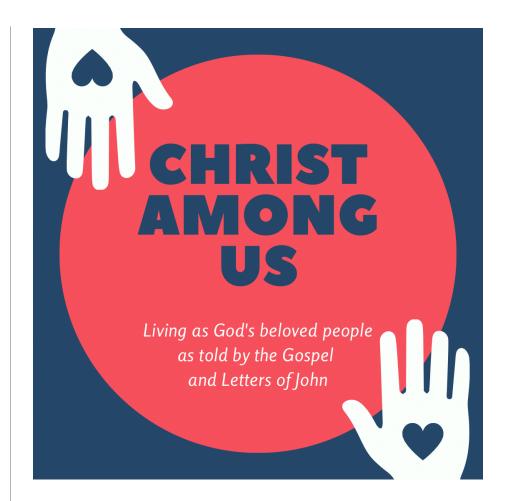
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and Auction

Help for Haiti Donor Dinner

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First United Methodist Church, Bristol

11:00 AM Worship

March 19, 2023

**Fourth Sunday of Lent** 

Children's worship boxes are available in the West lobby. Coffee and other hot beverages are available in the East lobby.

Please excuse our mess while our audio/visual renovation of the sanctuary is in progress.