Sunday Morning Worship

March 7, 14, 21, 28
10:00am—Traditional in the Sanctuary 11:00am Connection in the Gym

Easter Sunday, April 4
8:15am Traditional in the Sanctuary 10:30am Traditional in the Sanctuary
10:30am Connection in the Gym

All COVID safety guidelines will continue (Masks, attendance, and social distancing) for all services.

The online service will continue to be available on our YouTube channel.

FACEBOOK LIVE PRAYER GROUP—Join Walter on our church Facebook page **Monday mornings @ 9am** for a special time of prayer. You can call in or email your prayer concerns and celebrations to: walter@fumcmorristown.org

•**YOU ARE ENCOURAGED** to use the drop-box (available on the wall to the right of the church entrance) or the bench outside the entrance to drop off your offerings, correspondence and packages whenever possible. If you Need to talk with someone, please call them on the phone. This keeps everyone safe.

•**CHURCH REMAINS LOCKED.** Someone is in the office most of the time, to receive calls and emails**.** If you must enter the building, press the silver button near the drop box and someone will help you.

•**MASKS ARE REQUIRED** for anyone entering the building.

BEAUTIFUL BUTTERFLIES Easter is just around the corner and we would like your help making part of what will be delivered to our homebound members. We have butterflies that could sure use color! We are hoping you will help make them beautiful. Then Leigh Travis will cut them out and put them on the cards. This is a great project for children, youth, and adults to be a part of showing our shut ins we love them! Butterflies are available for pick up on the bench outside the church entrance and will need to be returned March 21.

SMALL GROUPS—WELCOME BACK!!! If you have a small group (Yoga Class, Bible Study Group, Book Study Group, etc.) and would like to meet at the church, we ask that you fill out a request form available in the church office. At this time, we will only be scheduling the **Community Room**, **Gym**, and **Cornerstone**. Please indicate your preference when filling out the form. The staff will then process these requests and let you know when and where your group can meet. We realize that Sundays are the preferred days to meet, but with worship and other ministry meetings that day, we are not able to accommodate Sunday requests.

Please remember that all protocols will need to be in practice for small groups until further notice: Attendance List , Masks, Social distancing in the building.

We look forward to having you back in the building! We have missed you just as we know you have missed one another.

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Making Disciples of Jesus Christ by Reaching, Growing and Serving

March 7, 2021 *Third Sunday in Lent* 10:00am

WELCOME! Thank you for choosing to worship with us. We trust you will find a warm greeting and the Spirit of God as we gather today. We are always glad to welcome guests. Please let us know if there are ways in which we may be of service to you.

Welcome and Announcements		Walter Weikel
Prelude	*Pisgah*	Dale Wood
Hymn	*All My Hope is Firmly Grounded*	MICHAEL

All my hope is firmly grounded in the great and living Lord; Who, whenever I most need him, Never fails to keep his word. God I must Wholly trust, God the ever good and just.

Tell me, who can trust our nature, Human, weak, and insecure: Which of all the airy castles Can the hurricane endure? Built on sand, Naught can stand, by our earthly wisdom planned.

But in every time and season, out of love's abundant store, God sustains his whole creation, found of life for evermore. We who share Earth and air Count on his unfailing care.

Thank, O thank, our great Creator, through his only Son this day; He alone, the Heavenly Potter, made us out of earth and clay. Quick to heed, Strong in deed, He shall all his people feed.

(Currently we are not singing as a congregation to guard against the spread of Covid-19.
These lyrics are offered here for your reflection while the ensemble sings.)

* **Affirmation of Faith** *A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada* Barbara Baker

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

* **Gospel Lesson** Mark 12:41-44

The Word of God for the people of God. ***Thanks be to God.***

Musical Response *Seek Ye First* SEEK YE FIRST

Anthem *God So Loved the World* John Stainer

Sermon Series *Lent in Plain Sight: Coins* Asa Majors

Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn *Be Thou My Vision* SLANE

* **Benediction**

* **Postlude**

At the end of the service please exit the sanctuary in an expedient manner.
We invite you to engage in conversations outside. Thank you!

(*) Please stand as you are able.

THE ALTAR FLOWERS THIS SUNDAY are given by Becky Millen in memory of her mother, Betty Stone Miller.

Acolyte: Samantha Gorghis **Crucifer:** Cooper Wright

Music Notes

All My Hope is Firmly Grounded
Music: Herbert Howells
Words: Joachim Neander; trans. By Fred Pratt Green
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FIRST CARES TEAM This special group of volunteers have a heart for helping our church members, front line workers and the community during the pandemic. ***If you need any of the following, please let Cheryl at the church office know! Email*** *Cheryl* ***or call*** **(423) 581-2180**

•**VACCINE SIGN-UP ASSISTANCE** - Need assistance signing up for the COVID vaccine? A member of our First Cares Team will contact you directly and assist in getting you signed up! Let the office know!

•**MEALS & DELIVERY** - Sick and in quarantine? Our team would love to deliver a meal to your porch! To avoid any privacy issues, we ask that you contact the office and let Cheryl know you would like a meal. A member of our team will contact you to find out any meal likes/dislikes and schedule a day and time for a porch delivery!

•**GOODY BAGS & SUPPLIES** - Bored in quarantine? Need some supplies? We've got you covered! Let us know!

•**FRONT LINE HEROES** - We'll be looking for creative ways to celebrate our local front line heroes! If you know of someone that needs recognition during the pandemic, we'd love to hear it!

PRAYER CONCERNS

-Shut-In's/Assisted Living/Nursing Home *(church list)*
-A family who has a relative who's cancer has returned
-Virginia Taylor
-Misty Graham-Stapleton
-Families struggling with COVID
-Zasa Ballard (Tiffany Pollock's sister)
-JoAnn Kell
-Marsha Easley
-Gary Conry
-Don Turley

CONDOLENCES to Jean Spakes in the death of her brother, George Brooks, on February 28.

Hamblen County Health Department COVID Vaccinations

For more information or to schedule an appointment, please use the address listed below. If you do not have email or internet access, please call the number listed to schedule your COVID vaccine.

https://covid19.tn.gov/ 866-442-5301

WE NEED YOUR HELP TAKING ATTENDANCE ON SUNDAY MORNINGS We are scheduling teams to take attendance on Sunday mornings and need volunteers! If you would help out with this, please contact Cheryl in the church office and let her know. Also indicate which service you prefer (8:15 Traditional, 10:30 Traditional, or Connection.) The more people we get, the less frequent you'll have to serve! Thank You!

MARCH/APRIL UPPER ROOMS are available (50cents) on the bench outside the church entrance.

Staff Emails

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