

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Erin Baddour  
Donna Beard  
Evelyn Chapman  
Elise Mathis Eads  
Joan Erwin  
Mary Ann Gulley  
Jackson Hughey  
Cheri Jones

Sonny Leem  
Kelly Mayfield  
Family of Mike Morrison  
Dot Peyton  
Frank Racy  
Susan St. John  
Carolyn Scruggs  
Marlyn Seagrave

Melissa Surles  
Hazel Townsend  
Lois Twohig  
Brad & Paige Warmath  
Bart White  
Family of Larry Young

*Let us pray for the people of Middle Tennessee who have sustained property damage and, in some cases, lost loved ones due to the recent storms. In particular, the buildings of Dodson Chapel United Methodist Church are nearly demolished and East End United Methodist Church has been heavily damaged.*

### Calendar for March 8-14, 2020

#### Sunday, March 8

**8:30 am** Morning Song Worship - CLC  
**9:45 am** Sunday School  
**11:00 am** Traditional Worship - Sanctuary  
**11:00 am** Radio Broadcast of Traditional Service-WKBL 1250AM  
**3:00 pm** Mike Morrison Memorial Service

#### Monday, March 9

**6:00 pm** Trustees Meeting - New Beginnings Classroom

#### Wednesday, March 11

**8:30 am** Women's Bible Study- New Beginnings Classroom  
**4:30 pm** Praise Band Rehearsal  
**6:00 pm** Wednesday Night Programming  
**6:00 pm** Handbell Practice  
**7:00 pm** Choir Practice

#### Thursday, March 12

**7:00 am** Men's Prayer Breakfast - Fellowship Hall

#### Saturday, March 14

**8:00 am** Bread of Life Food Pantry-Munford

-The flowers on the altar are given by Millie Pullen in honor of the baptism of Rhett Olesen.-



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# Covington First United Methodist Church

FOR GOD  
SO LOVED  
THE WORLD  
THAT HE  
GAVE HIS  
ONE AND ONLY SON  
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WHOEVER  
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LIFE.  
JOHN 3:16

## “Teacher Learns a Lesson”

*John 3:1-17*

**Sunday, March 8, 2020**

**11:00 a.m.**

# Order of Worship

*Second Sunday in Lent  
Liturgical Color - Purple*

*We welcome you all to this service of worship!*

*Everyone is encouraged to print your name and register your attendance in the pads near you.*

*If you are visiting and would like to learn more about Covington First United Methodist Church, please provide your email and/or home address and we will send you more information.*

PRELUDE *Beneath the Cross of Jesus* Justin Hanson, Organ  
arr. Maker

WORDS OF WELCOME Carole Mathis

\*INVOCATION Carole Mathis

\*HYMN OF PRAISE *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* UMH 400

PSALTER READING-PSALM 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills  
where does my help come from?

**My help comes from the LORD, the Maker of heaven and earth.**

He will not let your foot slip—

**He who watches over you will not slumber;**

Indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

**The LORD watches over you—**

The LORD is your shade at your right hand;

**The sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.**

The LORD will keep you from all harm—  
he will watch over your life;

**The LORD will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.**

MUSICAL RESPONSE *Total Praise* Ladies Ensemble

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM OF RHETT ANKER OLESEN UMH 39

*(Son of Laine and Eric Olesen, brother of Rhodes Olesen,  
Grandson of Karen and Jack Olesen & Nancy and Bill Peeler)*

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise* UMH 611

Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit's sign;  
with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.

Child of joy, our dearest treasure, God's you are, from God you came.  
Back to God we humbly give you; live as one who bears Christ's name.

Child of God your loving Parent, learn to know whose child you are.  
Grow to laugh and sing and worship, trust and love God more than all.

- Children Dismissed to Children's Church -

OFFERTORY PRAYER Carole Mathis

OFFERTORY *Jesus Loves Me* Carole Mathis  
arr. Whitworth Betty Stanton, Piano  
Justin Hanson, Organ

\*DOXOLOGY  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below:  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

ANTHEM *Blessed Assurance/Must Tell Jesus* Choir  
arr. Mary McDonald Bonnie Wright, Director  
(Dedicated in Loving Memory of M.B. Howard)

**PROCLAMATION and RESPONSE**

\*SCRIPTURE John 3:1-17

MESSAGE *"Teacher Learns a Lesson"* Rev. Dan Camp

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT *Freely, Freely* UMH 389

\*BLESSING Rev. Dan Camp

\*POSTLUDE *Presto from the Fifth Organ Concerto* Justin Hanson, Organ  
arr. Handel

*\*Please stand as you are able.*