

# Kern Memorial United Methodist Church

October 15, 2017, 11:00 am  
Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost



## Greetings and Announcements

**\*Entrance of the Cross/Organ Prelude** Shorter Prelude in D Minor Johann Sebastian Bach

## Invocation

The Church gathers to a feast of language, parable, wisdom, as if to a table laden with possibility at which all who choose to attend are the honored guests.

Gracious Host, may we never take for granted the great privilege extended to us in the festive exercise of reading the gospels. In light of today's gospel lesson, may we never become so foolish as to excuse ourselves from knowledge (though its acquisition be ever so arduous); may we never become so distracted by earning a living (though its preeminence is commended by society) that we forget the mystery of life itself; may we never become so enamored of worldly pursuits (though they appear to be ever so reasonable) that we forget our own souls. Remind us that the life we live is the life we choose. Amen.

**\*Hymn** O God, Our Help in Ages Past 117

**An Invitation to Learning** (from *The Wisdom of Jesus the Son of Sirach*)

**\*Gloria Patri** 70

**\*Hymn** Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us 381

## Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

**Anthem** For the Beauty of the Earth John Rutter

## Offertory Sentence

One's offering to the Church is a value decision, becoming thereby the occasion for the clarification of one's priorities and hence one's self-understanding. We give---as we work, and, indeed, as we think---according to our concerns. We are what we care about. We are our decisions.

## Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

**Offertory** On Eagle's Wings arr. John Carter

**\*Doxology** 94

**Children's Circle** Jessica Torrance

**\*Hymn** It's Me, It's Me, O Lord 352

**\*Gospel Lesson: Matthew 22:1-14** Beth Shea

**Sermon** "preference and consequence" Donald Morris

**\*Hymn** Let There Be Peace on Earth 431

## \*Benediction/Choral Benediction

**Postlude** Harvest Fanfare Gilbert M. Martin

**\*Congregation Standing**

### Last Chance to Schedule Photo Appointments and Submit Pictures for Directory

If you were unable to have your directory photo taken in September, there are still a few spaces left on Tuesday, October 24. Life Touch Photographers will be at Kern from 2:00-9:00 pm. Appointments may be scheduled online through our website ([kernchurch.org](http://kernchurch.org)) or through the church office (483-5273). **TODAY is the last day to submit pictures to be included in the directory. Please send pictures to [debbies@kernumc.org](mailto:debbies@kernumc.org).**



### New Direction for Ministry Sign-ups—4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Ministry Sign-ups Coming Soon!



As you know, there are several exciting “big” events happening at Kern between now and the end of the year. However, we need to also remember the every-day ministries and behind-the-scenes tasks that keep our church going. In addition to the usual sign-ups in the bulletin, you will also have an opportunity to sign up for a variety of other activities. Sign-ups for several year-end ministries (and ministries for which volunteers are scheduled to serve on a rotational basis) will begin at the end of this month. You will be able to sign up via a special bulletin insert tear-off and online. Please pray about how God may be calling you to get involved in the church. Kern’s goal is to have *every member (involved) in ministry.*

### Thanksgiving Day Potluck Dinner

Are you planning to spend Thanksgiving alone? Why not spend the day in the fellowship of others? Steve Ryman and Suzie Sauerwein are planning a meal at 1:00 pm on Thursday, November 23 in Kern’s Family Life Center. Turkey and ham will be provided. Bring a side dish or a dessert to share. **Please sign up on the tear-off by October 22 to indicate what you will bring and how many will attend.** Call Susie Sauerwein (483-3219) for details.



### H.I.S. Puppeteers Dinner Theater Fundraiser, November 5



On Sunday, November 5, HIS Puppeteers are hosting a fundraiser! This is a freewill offering in conjunction with the Missions Committee to raise funds for our Thanksgiving Basket distribution on November 19. We will begin with a Spaghetti Dinner at 5:00 pm, and debut our new show *Billboard Top 10 Hits of All Time* at 6:30 pm. The dinner and show will take place in the Family Life Center. This event is open to everybody in the community.

### HOLSTON HOME FOR CHILDREN/FIFTH SUNDAY—OCTOBER 29

Each of us can make a small difference in the life of a child at Holston United Methodist Home for Children. All of us together can make a very large difference. You can help to transform the life of a child who needs to experience love, forgiveness, and wholeness. We will receive a special offering on October 29 to support this vital ministry. Please be prepared to give generously.

### PARKINSON’S SUPPORT GROUP PK HOPE IS ALIVE

Parkinson Support Group invites you to their monthly support meeting this Tuesday, October 17 in the FLC from 11:30 to 1:30 pm. The guest speaker will be Mr. Payton Willford, a representative for Medtronic at Vanderbilt, who will talk about “What is new with DBS.” A light lunch will be provided. For more information go to [www.pkhopisalive.org](http://www.pkhopisalive.org) or contact Alan Zimmerman (693-5721).

### Operation Christmas Child—Samaritan’s Purse

Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is here! Our goal this year is 150 boxes. You may bring individual items to donate to a box, as well as prepare a box. Your prayers are especially important. See the display in the Narthex or contact Alisha Balcom ([alishab@kernumc.org](mailto:alishab@kernumc.org)). **Collection ends November 8.**

### Sunday, October 29, 5:00-7:00 pm

Plans are well underway for Kern’s biggest community outreach event of the year! **Sign up on the tear-off** to help in the following ways!

1. Candy, candy, candy!
2. Decorate your car for the parking lot.
3. Bring brownies & cookies.
4. Help with games (indoors & outside).
5. Bring a pot of homemade chili!
6. Make a financial contribution!
7. Help in the kitchen



**October 15, 2017**

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN**

**FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE**

The Friendship Circle of the United Methodist Women will meet tomorrow, Monday, October 16, at 7 p.m. in the church parlor.

**MARY MARTHA CIRCLE**

Join the Mary Martha Circle in the Fellowship Hall this Thursday, October 19 at 10:00 am. Light refreshments will be served.

**THANK YOU FOM WILLIE NAPIER**

Kern Church, I want to thank all of the people who sent me cards during my illness. It really means a lot after sitting home for several days and the mail-man puts that card in the box. Thanks everyone for the telephone calls and cards. Loved every one of them. Kern is such a great church when you are well, but especially when you are ill. Love, Willie Napier

**THANK YOU FOR THE DONATIONS TO JEFFERSON MIDDLE**

A big THANK YOU to everyone who brought in clothing and shoes for the Jefferson Middle School clothing closet! More than four large bins of clothing will be taken to JMS for students in need. Your thoughtfulness and generosity is so appreciated. Thank you for supporting our community and helping children.

**HELP NEEDED TO OIL SOAP PEWS IN SANCTUARY**

Did you know that we have a ministry that keeps our Sanctuary pews looking shiny and new? This group meets twice each year to oil soap the pews, typically prior to Easter and Christmas, and it's time to gather people to perform this task for the Advent season. Helpers are needed to oil soap the pews in the Sanctuary on Saturday, November 4 at 10:00 am. This task requires little instruction and only one or two hours of your time. If you can help, **please sign up on the tear-off**, or contact Wendy Hohman (776-2667 or lindsey4UT@comcast.net.)

**Senior Education Opportunity**

On Thursday, November 9, from 9:00 am through lunch (provided), the Knoxville District UMC is sponsoring three educational and inspirational workshops at Central UMC, 201 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Knoxville:

- Scam U with Don Dare
- ABC's of Medicare Education with Laura Taylor
- Tales of Appalachian Trail with Alan Ashworth

A \$12 registration fee is due by November 2. Register at [Holston.org/seasonedsouls](http://Holston.org/seasonedsouls) to pay by credit card, or mail a check to: Knoxville District UMC, P.O. Box 6689, Knoxville, TN 37914. The brochure is on the bulletin board beside the church office.

**WEDNESDAY NITER DINNER MENU**

Buffet line opens at 5:30 pm. Make reservations by **signing the tear-off**. You may cancel by 12:00 noon on Monday by calling the church office. If you do not attend and did not cancel, you will be expected to pay. To order your meal as takeout, call the office by 4:00 pm on Wednesday.

Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes, Peas,  
Rolls, Large Salad Bar  
Drinks: Coffee, Tea, and Lemonade  
Homemade Desserts

**Name**

**Phone**

**Email**

Check here if new \_\_\_ or changed \_\_\_

DO NOT SEPARATE NAME FROM THE TEAR-OFF.

Place the tear-off in the offering plate.

**Tear-off**

**WEDNESDAY NITER DINNER**

**Meal Reservations**

- \_\_\_ Number of adults/children, 7 years & older—\$7.00
- \_\_\_ Number of children, under age 7—FREE
- \_\_\_ I would like to make this a Permanent Reservation.  
Family Cap — \$25.00 (immediate family/household)
- \_\_\_ I would like to pay for an additional meal (s) for someone who may not be able to afford one.

**OIL SOAP PEWS (11/4)**

\_\_\_ I will help!

**TRUNK OR TREAT**

- \_\_\_ I will bring my car/hand out candy.
- \_\_\_ I will bring cookies/brownies.
- \_\_\_ I will help with games.
- \_\_\_ I will donate candy.
- \_\_\_ I will bring \_\_\_ pot(s) of chili.
- \_\_\_ I will make a financial donation.
- \_\_\_ I will help in the kitchen.

**THANKSGIVING POT-LUCK DINNER**

- \_\_\_ How many people
- \_\_\_ I will bring \_\_\_\_\_



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**Key:** Sanctuary (S), Family Life Center (FLC), Narthex (N), EE Fellowship Hall (FH), Parlor (P), Theatre (T), Chapel/Prayer Room (C)

**SUNDAY, October 15, 2017- Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost**

- 8:30 am Early Worship Service (S)
- 9:00 am Praise and Worship Service (FLC)
- 10:00 am Sunday School Classes
- 11:00 am Traditional Worship Service (S)
- 12:30 pm NO Church Council (FH)
- 2:30 pm HIS Puppet Ministry (Rm 12)
- 3:00 pm Troop 328 Eagle Court of Honors (S, FLC)

**MONDAY, October 16, 2017–Oak Ridge Schools Resume**

- 9:00 am Monday Morning Maintenance (FH)
- 12:00 pm Staff Meeting (P)
- 5:30 pm Yoga (FLC)
- 5:30 pm Crossroads Nurturing Parenting Classes (C)
- 6:30 pm Venture Crew (N)
- 7:00 pm Boy Scouts (FLC)
- 7:00 pm Friendship Circle (P)

**TUESDAY, October 17, 2017**

- 9:00 am Camp Faith (Rm 24/26/28/FLC)
- 10:00 am Jesus and the Gospels (FH) (Canonical & Non Canonical)
- 11:30 am Parkinson’s Support Group (FLC)
- 6:30 pm Financial Peace University (FH)
- 6:30 pm Gospel of Mark Bible Study (P)



**WEDNESDAY, October 18, 2017**

- 9:15 am Yoga (FLC)
- 10:30 am Mommy and Co. (FLC)
- 2:00 pm Photo Make Up Day (FH)
- 5:30 pm Wednesday Niter (FLC) Resumes
- 6:30 pm Resurrection Meeting (Rm 14)
- 6:30 pm Happy Hookers & Knit Wits (N)
- 6:30 pm Adult Classes
- 6:45 pm Chancel Choir (S)
- 7:00 pm Praise Band (FLC)

**THURSDAY, October 19, 2017**

- 8:00 am Prayer Partners (P)
- 9:00 am Camp Faith (Rm 24/26/28/FLC)
- 10:00 am Mary Martha Circle (FH)
- 6:00 pm Girl Scouts #69 (FH)

**FRIDAY, October 20, 2017**

**SATURDAY, October 21, 2017**

- 6:30 pm Trinity UMC Western Avenue Emmaus

**SUNDAY, October 22, 2017- Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

- 10-15 Terry Hannon
- 10-16 Sara Agle, Bill Beams, Jennifer Shell
- 10-17 Angie Harmon, Carson Vick, Sallie Walker, Casey Wilson
- 10-18 Mark Flynn, Rebecca Luzader, Brittany Rowe
- 10-19 Robert Webster
- 10-20 Bailey Choudhury, Jamie Nyholm
- 10-21 Chanthou Carathers, William Everett, Amber Franklin, Eleanor Valentino
- 10-22 Natalie Cross, Carol Doyle, Jayden Ellis, LeAnn Moles, Brett Stooksbury

**Participants in Today’s Service**

Early Worship Greeter	Mary Lea Hall
Early Worship Acolyte	Traci Welch
Early Worship Reader	Hayden Rouse
P&W Parking Greeters	Don & Pat Cobb
P&W Scripture Reader	Michelle Pawel
Late Outside Greeter	Larry & Ann Brown
Late Narthex Greeters	Steve & Shirley Cates
Late Worship Acolyte	Kaeden Miller
Late Worship Crucifer	Caroline Miller
Children’s Circle	Jessica Torrance
Late Worship Lay Reader	Beth Shea
Proofreader	Michele Brandenburg
Offering Counters	Thelma Douglass//Diane DeBinder

**Participants in October 22, 2017**

Early Worship Greeter	Sam Early
Early Worship Acolyte	Troy Welch
Early Worship Reader	Mike Bradshaw
P&W Parking Greeters	Jeanetta & Nicole Nutter
P&W Scripture Reader	Joan Cassens
Late Outside Greeter	Lynn Cardwell/James Carroll
Late Narthex Greeters	Dennis Sauerwein/Anne Teasley
Late Worship Acolyte	Sophia Hughes
Late Worship Crucifer	Dawson Hughes
Children’s Circle	Jo Demag
Late Worship Lay Reader	Sherry Smyrl
Proofreader	Judy Wilson
Offering Counters	Thelma Douglass/Myrt Merriman

**2017 General Fund**

General Fund offering (10-8-17)	\$10,487
General Fund YTD	\$384,632
General Budget 2017	\$547,617
UMCOR	\$100



2017 Camp in the Community, a Holston Conference Camp, was a wonderful experience at Kern this year. Due to the success we are looking to participate next year also. For more information see the insert in this week’s bulletin. They could use donations if you feel led. Contact Alisha Balcom if you have any questions.