

October 25, 2020 Worship Service

In Our Prayers:

Allison Baker, Gary Barber, James Bell, Bonnie Bramlett, Charlie & Pam Brown, Charlene Byrd, Amanda Chapman, Mary Thelma Cole, **Jo Cox**, Ronnie Dunnigan, Sr., **Kevin Duvall**, Sharon Elkins, James Elliott, Emma Ford, Rosie Haney, Gwen Hanisch, Matt Hearn, Reynolds Hedland, Robert & Ruth Hix, Jacque Holloway, Marie Holt, Susan Johnson Horton, Ed Howes, Bill Johnson, Tyler Kepley, Ken Knowlton, Ryan Kohn, Karl Kraus, Shannon Leeper, Ethelyne Lingle, Renda Mashburn, Will Mattison, Lynn McKibbin, Gary & Hannah McSwain, Bob Morrow, Jim Murray, Wells Neubert, Andrea O'Connor, Roger & Mary Paquette, Marlene Parker, Christina Pattillo, Phil Perry, Lea Phrist, Chuck Pinson, Steven Ray, Sharon Rice, Ellen Ringer, Ruth & Galen Shinkle, Sheila Stiles, George Talbot, Frank & Jennie Sue Taylor, Paula & Chuck Taylor, **Deborah Tedder**, Renee Tully, Carol Ward, Marti Warren, Charlie Wells, Doug Wix, Terry Woehr, Elliot Young.

Welcome to Worship Covid Style

We are holding a 10:00 a.m. worship service inside our sanctuary. Seating in pews is arranged for social distancing and masks are required. Masks will be available if you forget yours. Ushers will escort you to your seat. Because seating is limited we are asking that you call the church office and let us know that you will be attending so we can reserve you a seat. You can call Monday – Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The Fellowship Hall is being used as an overflow room where the service can be viewed in real time. You will be able to continue to worship in the parking lot as the FM 89.9 will still be operating. The service will also be streaming live on [facebook.com/ellijayfumc](https://www.facebook.com/ellijayfumc).

The Sunday message will continue to be loaded onto YouTube. This will be available on Monday mornings. In the search window type the date and ellijay for example: 10 18 20 ellijay This will bring up this past Sunday's message.

Faith by the Fire!!

Our newest worship opportunity!!

Bring your own chair, pick a spot by the fire and listen to the live 10:00 worship service. One added bonus to this style of worship is the available coffee cart. (Cups will be provided but don't forget your chair!) See you by the fire!

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**We are so glad that you are here today.  
Let us worship God together.**

Announcements

Mission Moment

Prelude

The Gift of Love  
arr. by Joel Raney

Hymn of Praise

The God of Abraham Praise

Apostle's Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

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**

Special Music

Make Me A Channel of Your Peace  
arr. by Mark Hayes

Hymn of Preparation

The Gift of Love

Scripture Matthew 22:34-40

**Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees; the Pharisees got together. One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: “Teacher, which is the greatest commandments in the Law?” Jesus replied: “ ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”**

Sermon Dr. Thom Shores  
“Love Me With Your Mind”

Closing Hymn O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

Benediction

Postlude Festive March from “Rinaldo”  
by G. F. Handel

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A Blessing of the Animals Service

Sunday, October 25, 4-5 PM

Dogs, cats--chickens, sheep, heifers, and more!--, as well as their owners and friends, are invited to a Blessing of the Animals worship service on the front lawn of the Ellijay First United Methodist Church on Sunday, October 25, from 4-5 PM! There will be music, Scripture, and blessing for each animal and owner. Please note that those bringing their animals are responsible for them, and all pets must remain on leashes. Larger animals in trailers will be blessed inside their carriers. Please plan to wear a mask & follow social-distancing measures. For more info please contact Sam.

Trunk or Treat

Wednesday, October 28th 5:30

Join us for the annual FUMC Trunk or Treat Experience
Pop open your decorated trunks and pass out candy or prizes to all the little goblins.

Please call Marianne to get info regarding COVID Style precautions.
This may be the only Truck or Treat available to our Downtown community. Please RSVP Today! 706-635-2555

Samaritan’s Purse Operation Christmas Child

Shoe Boxes are available in the church office if you would like to pack one. Boxes should be returned to the office by November 16.

Singles Having Fun

November 1st the group will meet at the Acree Farm for a hiking adventure. Please call Warren at 706-273-1134 if you would like to attend or for more information.

If you have not received an email about this group and would be interested in joining or receiving more information call the church office at 706-635-2555 and provide your email address.

Election Day Prayer

Tuesday, November 3rd the sanctuary will be open for prayer from 7:30 am to 5:30 pm. Masks will be required and socially distanced seating will be available. The front and sides doors into the narthex will be open. Please do not enter the preschool area before 12:00 noon.