

The Order for Worship
Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
October 17, 2010

Chiming of the Hour

<i>Prelude</i>	Nicky Wilson, Organist
<i>Bringing in the Light</i>	Acolytes
<i>*Welcome, Announcements, & Greeting Time</i>	Leone Purser Liturgist
<i>*Hymn of Praise</i>	“Ask Ye What Great Thing I know” No. 163
<i>*Affirmation of Faith</i>	Leone Purser, Liturgist

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.* No. 70

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.

Prayer Time/Prayer Concerns/Pastoral Prayer Rev. Jim Stringfellow

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.

Offertory “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” No. 127

Giving of God's Tithes & Offerings

**Doxology* No. 95

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.

Children's Minute Renee' Rowse

(After Children's Minute, children ages 3 1/2-5th grade are dismissed for Children's church)

Anthem Chancel Choir

Scripture Lesson Proverbs 22:6-7 Leone Purser, Liturgist

Sermon “When Dreams Become Nightmares” Reverend Jim Stringfellow

**Hymn of Dedication* “Seek Ye First” No. 405

Benediction

*Congregation, please stand as you are able.

The Story

Youth Announcements:

- Youth tonight from 5-7pm! Supper, dodgeball, and worship with Marshall Mckellar!
- Wednesday night we start our small group studies, so join us from 7-8pm
- The youth started collecting **canned foods** this morning. We are gathering them for a United Methodist District Youth Rally the night of Sunday, November 14th. So please bring canned foods to support your youth and the local food missions in the Huntsville area!
- Join us Friday, October 22nd at Milton Frank Stadium to see their football team play Huntsville High and cheer on Matthew! The game starts at 7pm, and we'll be on the **away** side.
- The deadline to sign up for Behold is Sunday, October 31st. The sign up sheet is on the youth bulletin board. There are a limited number of spots available. Money for Behold (\$130) is due Wednesday, November 17th.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19 The Lydia Circle will meet in the parlor at 10a.m. Please bring items for the food bank. Evelyn Parker and Joan Diggs will deliver the food. Sarah Edwards will give the program and Alvera Haas will give the devotional. After the meeting we will have a sandwich lunch. Please bring sandwiches, chips, etc. to share with the group. Susie Jones will bring the drinks. The prayer angels have finally arrived and will be passed out at the meeting. THANK YOU, Lydia Circle members for supporting this Haiti mission project. All women in the church are invited. For questions or information call Carolyn Shotts, 256-534-1273 or e-mail cbshotts@bellsouth.net.



Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity

This Sunday, October 17th, we will begin a church-wide study and worship emphasis called Enough: Discovering Joy Through Simplicity and Generosity. Over the next few weeks we will look at some of the financial challenges facing us as a nation and examine our own spending, saving, and giving habits. In addition to exploring biblical principles of financial management, we will learn ways to assess our financial situation and develop a financial plan that will allow us to experience the true joy that comes through simplicity and generosity. At the end of the emphasis, we will have the opportunity to make personal commitments of giving for the coming year. We will consecrate these commitments on Sunday, November 14th, and Sunday November 21st. If you are not a member of a Sunday School Class, sign up for the week day small group that will begin meeting, Wednesday, October 20th. More information will be posted to our web site soon at epworthumc.net.

The United Methodist Women will have Reverend Dorice Douglas from Cincinnati, Ohio to speak to the women of Epworth: All women of Epworth are invited. Subject: **Women Who Overcome their Struggles November 28th 2:30 p.m.**



*The flowers on the Altar are in memory of
our son, Brian*

Lovingly given, James & Mary Anne Kirkland

Welcome to Our Guests We are honored that you have chosen Epworth United Methodist Church as your place of worship this morning. If you are not active in a church or if you are looking for a new place in a caring, serving church, we invite you to become part of this church family. Children's Bulletins are available in the narthex. **Sunday School** classes are 9:00-10:00 a.m. **Thank you for worshipping with us today.**



Our Fall Festival is **Friday, October 29th, 6:00-8:00**. This year, our festival has expanded to include the 3rd floor classrooms, where you will find children's games with prizes. In the fellowship hall, we will have 3 Moon Bounces, a Bake Sale, Silent Auction Baskets and food for sale. Wear your costume and join us for a night of family fun! This year all proceeds will go to ??????. (I'll let you know what this is as soon as I know.)

FIRST STOP'S primary needs now are bread, sandwich meat, cereal, blankets, and coats. See Tobey Avery for more information.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD. Sample shoe boxes and a list of suggested items to send are on the table in the Narthex. Instructions for filling a box and labels to designate who should receive it are also available. The gathering of the shoe boxes will begin on October 31st and continue through November 21st. Thank you for your participation in this very worthwhile project.

Are you busy at work? Running to and from school and sporting events? Feeling the rush of the impending holidays? Asking yourself just when are you going to find the time to pack your Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes? FEAR NOT!! Epworth's Children's Ministry is here for you! Our children are collecting items to fill shoe boxes to send to children to show them God's (and our) love. So between **now and November 7th**, please bring in shoe boxes and items for our children to fill boxes with as we try and make Christmas memorable for children around the world. We will have a box in the Narthex for you to place your items in that will be there thru the week. The children will be packing boxes during Children's Church on **Sunday, Nov 7th**. Anyone who would like to assist with the packing on Nov 7th, please see Marcie Purser. Let's try our hardest to make this the best year ever!

From Your Church Office:

It's come to our attention that there is some misunderstanding about our current website and the weekly edition of The Story. Our new website has been up and running for almost a full year now. We hope you'll take a look at epworthumc.net. We try to keep the information on the website current. If you see outdated information, the church office would love to be notified. Also, we have been posting the weekly bulletin and newsletter to the new website since May. Simply go to the website home page, click "News and Events" and you'll see the links for the weekly edition of The Story. We hope you will be pleased to know that it has been our plan in the not too distant future to send out an abbreviated weekly e-copy of The Story. If you would like to receive this weekly e-newsletter, please contact the church office to share your email address.

ATTENTION: JOY Travelers and anyone else who would like to join us are planning a trip to Opryland on December 16 to see the Radio City Rockettes. The show is at 2:00 pm. We can leave the church early and that will allow us to see the renovations of the hotel before the show. The ticket price is \$59.40 for main floor eating if we have 15 or more going. I need to get tickets asap. Call Suzie Jones 256-539-7833.



Our church has need for a motorized scooter (wheelchair). The scooter is much smaller than an electric wheelchair and easier to use. If you have one and are willing to loan it to the church as well as any other handicap equipment, such as a walker, etc. to loan, please let us know.

<i>Attendance</i>	
October 10, 2010	
Worship:	135
Sunday School:	76
Children:	11
Youth:	15
Adults:	50



<i>Stewardship</i>	
October 10, 2010	
General	\$6,413.00
Building Fund	513.00
Flowers	44.00
Youth	200.00
OCC	35.00
Total	\$7,205.00

THOSE WHO SERVE

Month of October

Trustee John Cady
Ushers Paul & Judy Ballance, Dave & Jane Maguire
Altar Guild Ginny Brandau
Monthly Counting Team Charles Avery, Jim Treadway

October 17

Liturgist Leone Purser
Greeters Tom & Joan Diggs, Dave & Marge Jones
Acolytes Michael Tilson, Joe Shepard
Children's Church Volunteers Beth Marshall, Jan Bannister, Monica Yearick
Nursery Volunteers Randall Shepard, Ina Hucks
Visitation Jack & Ina Hucks
Sound Scott Jones/Richard Wilson
Prayer Chapel Charles & Tobey Avery

October 24

Liturgist Cindy Marsh
Greeters Tom & Judy Panucci, Ashley & Brain Colbert
Acolytes BJ Marsh, Zach Maguire
Children's Church Volunteers Beth Marshall, Jan Bannister, Monica Yearick
Nursery Volunteers Amy Boyle, Leigh Carpenter
Visitation John Cole
Sound Scott Jones/Richard Wilson
Prayer Chapel Judy Ballance



Prayer concerns and praises for the week of October 17, 2010

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

Ann Franklin	AIC Trey Franklin	Jack Boyle
Hazel Cowley	Ed Friday	Tammy Martin
Amy Alverson	Donna Hamilton	Maymie Pickett
Buck Bannister	Lue Harvell	Madeline Reynold
CPL Christopher Burke	PVT Chris Howser	Pat Reid
Mildred Barnes	Jane Hoffman	Bill Schrimsher
Diane Birdwell	Tammy Hoffman	Ann Sexton
Austin Bullard	Mildred Hopper	Sam Sproles
Sandra Boyle	Ed & Joyce Hunt	Frances Slayton
Helen Branum	RJ Jackson	Earl Stringfellow
Betty Brockway	Bill Kerr	Nell Stone
Vivian Bush	Lillian Johnson	Pam Stunk
Ashley Daniel	Darby Jones	Ethel & Rodney Short
Joy Daniel	Mary Ann Kirkland	Lance Taylor
Fannie Mae Falkenberry	Carolyn Knight	Nell Teater
Corrine Fanning	Larry Limbaugh	Rhonda Tucker
Chris Franklin	Dee McPeters	Marguerite Wilson
	Vickie Manhart	Jarrett Williams
	Fred & Mary Moffitt	US Military families

Prayer Needs:

I am requesting prayer for: _____

Situation / relationship: _____

_____ Please contact me. _____ Please list this prayer request in the bulletin.

_____ I would like to talk with a staff member about joining Epworth UMC.

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Reverend Jim Stringfellow, Senior Pastor

Renee' Rowse, Children Ministries Director Erin Hicks, Youth Director
 Judy Panucci/Valerie Jones, MDO/Preschool/Kindergarten Directors
 Eric Wilson, Music Ministry Director Nicky Wilson, Organist/Pianist
 Jimmy Gattis, Treasurer Larry Mathis, Assistant Treasurer
 Leone Purser, Secretary Billy Ledbetter, Custodian

Ongoing Weekly Events and Meetings Listed Below

Sunday School	9:00 am - 10:00 am	
Sunday Worship	10:15 am	
	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	E.D.G.E. (every 3rd Sunday)
	5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Youth
	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Children's Choir
	7:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Youth Choir
Monday	9:30 am - 1:30 pm	MDO/Preschool/Kindergarten
	6:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Cub Scouts/Boy Scouts/Pack 96
Tuesday	9:30 am - 1:30 pm	MDO/Preschool/Kindergarten
	10:00 am	Lydia Circle-Parlor (every 3rd Tuesday)
	6:30 pm	Stitchers, Etc. - Parlor
		(2nd & last Tuesday of each month)
Wednesday	9:30 am - 1:30 pm	MDO/Preschool/Kindergarten
	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Girl Scouts - Art Room
	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Youth Bible Study
	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Adult Choir
Thursday	9:30 am - 1:30 pm	MDO/Preschool/Kindergarten
	9:30 am	Adult Bible Study—Parlor
	6:00 pm	Rebecca Circle - Parlor - 3rd Thursday
		of each month
	6:30 pm	Trustees Meeting-Conference Room
		(2nd Thursday of each month)
Friday	9:30 pm - 1:30 pm	MDO/Preschool/Kindergarten

Wish to Join?

Questions about Membership?

You may join Epworth United Methodist Church by

Confession of Faith - the initial entrance into membership in the church when you confess Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior.

Reaffirmation of Faith - renewing your initial confession of faith after a period of inactivity or not being on a church membership roll.

Transfer of Membership - from another United Methodist congregation or from a Christian church of another denomination. We recognize baptism from all other Christian churches.

If you have questions about baptism or church membership, please contact the office at 256-536-1559 or eumc@hiwaay.net, and our pastor will be pleased to meet with you.

"Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will."- [Romans 12:2](#)