

All Saint's Sunday/Reformation Day
23rd Sunday after Pentecost
October 31, 2021

PRELUDE/GATHERING Jerrie Sue Massengale

ANNOUNCEMENTS Buddy Butler

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES: THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST IN OUR MIDST

A TIME OF CENTERING Jerrie Sue Massengale
Ashokan Farewell

CALL TO WORSHIP Buddy Butler

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN OF PRAISE, 110 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 25:6-9

PSALTER, 755 Psalm 24

EPISTLE READING Revelation 21:1-6

*GOSPEL READING John 11:32-44

*GLORIA PATRI, 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.**

THE ROLL CALL OF THE SAINTS
 Bernard O'Dell, July 12, 2020; Becky Singletary, January 3; Jack Dunn, January 22; Bill Adams, January 22; Herb Hood, February 2; Luann Sullivan, July 23; Sharon Farmer, July 24; Dot Sullivan, July 31; John Panter, October 23

ANTHEM Choir
Song of the Saints

SERMON Buddy Butler
 "What Is a Saint?"

*HYMN OF INVITATION, 711 *For All the Saints*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH, 881 The Apostles' Creed

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

WORSHIP OF GOD WITH OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

*DOXOLOGY, 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.**

A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE 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, 507 *Through It All*

*SENDING FORTH

*FOLLOWING CHRIST INTO THE WORLD, TAKING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO OUR COMMUNITY

*POSTLUDE

Ashokan Farewell, reprise

Jerrie Sue Massengale

*Congregation standing, as able

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**Love and sympathy** is expressed to the family of John Wesley Panter who passed to the new life last week. John was a cousin of Cathryn McCarter. Please keep his family in your prayers.



Today is the last day of Pastor Appreciation Month. Remember to say a special "thank you!" Being a pastor during our world's current challenges is not an easy task and there is no playbook for your pastor to follow for these unprecedented times. Consider writing a note of thanks, sending a gift or meal, making a gift in his honor, reaching out to help meet a specific need, and, above all, pray for your pastor.

The **Son Seekers Sunday School Class** are studying the first few chapters of The Revelation. Then we probably will finish off the year with an Advent study. If you are not currently in an adult Bible study class, why not join us? (10 - 11 a.m. in the Church Parlor.)

The final session of GriefShare, a weekly seminar/support group for people grieving the death of someone close, will be Saturday, November 5, 3-5 p.m. Please call Lonney McDonald at 706-455-8249 for more information. GriefShare "Surviving the Holidays" will be held on Saturday, November 13, 3-5 p.m.

The Community Meal is held on Mondays, 4—6 p.m. Meals are "to go" only. There is no charge for meals but donations are accepted and appreciated. If you would like to help, please contact Sheppie Dunn or Evelyn Stemmann. 117 meals were served on Monday. The Community Meal phone number is 423-241-2282.



**Operation Christmas Child** shoeboxes and brochures with age/gender labels are available in the Narthex today. See the bulletin board for detailed packing suggestions for each age group. Please bring packed shoeboxes and \$9.00 for shipping back to First UMC by Sunday, November 14. Please do not tape shoebox shut—they have to be inspected before international shipping.

The United Methodist Women will begin selling pecans the first week of November. Cinnamon, chocolate pecan clusters, milk and dark chocolate pecans as well as halves, medium pieces, and small pieces of plain pecans will be available.

The UMW at Copperhill will have a potluck lunch and meeting on Wednesday, November 3, at 11:00 a.m. We are inviting all the women in our church to join us.

The Hiwassee District UMW's Annual Meeting will be on Saturday, Nov. 6, at Madisonville UMC in Madisonville, TN. The guest speaker will be Rev. Dr. Jaqueline Davis-Gines. She is the Associate Pastor at Ooltewah UMC. Members from our church who would like to attend please call Flora Grindstaff (706-632-5979) for details.



**Church Leadership**  
**Pastor** Gilbert "Buddy" Butler  
**Choir Director** Ben Sexton  
**Accompanist** Jerrie Sue Massengale  
**Secretary** Heidi Rule  
**Custodian** Christine Dowlin

**Sunday Servants**  
**Ushers** Shirley Starling Charles Stemmann  
 Joy Turner  
 \*Team captain  
**Sound Techs** Randy Loudermilk, Ann Rymer  
**Webmaster** Marti Lane



**Our Prayer Concerns**

**Our Congregation:** Carolyn Weese, +Hannah Geren (Covid), Beth Geren (Covid), Ed Massengale, Barb Bender, Dellon Ash

**Homebound/Assisted Living:** Fay Norwood, Emily Yaxley, ^Warrene Alexander

**Others in our prayers:** \*The family of John Wesley Panter, +Jerry Panchyshyn, +Carrie Collis (Covid and pneumonia), Weldon Self, Jr., Katrina Center (Covid—daughter of Alan Abernathy), Cheryl Tipton, Mary Louise Landrum, Sandra Williams (sister-in-law of Joy Turner), Tinsley Jones (nephew of Jerrie Sue Massengale), Bill Grindstaff, Maria Ruark (mother of Evelyn Stemmann), Lacey Burnette and family, Sandy Graham, Judy Potter (cancer treatments), Phoebe Ann Smith (therapy after car accident), Bob and Sherry Welch, Wilma Sexton (mother of Ben Sexton), Marti Lane's cousin Bill Rider (in remission), David Queen (brain tumor), Jessie Lebo (grandmother of April Butler), Ricky Callihan, Kerry and Cindy Hicks, first responders, our armed forces  
 \*new to concerns +Hospital ^Assisted Living/Nursing Home ~ Hospice

**If you would like to add someone to our Prayer Concerns, please call the church office.**

**Birthdays**

5 Leland Rymer

**If your birthday or anniversary has not appeared in our listings please call the church office so we can update our records.**

**NewsLetter DEADLINE**

All news and calendar items for the **December/January** issue of *The Copperhill Courier* are due in the church office by Monday, Nov. 15.

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| <b>Calendar</b> | <b>Today</b>                   | <b>Wednesday</b>                 | <b>Saturday</b>    |
|                 | 10:00 am Sunday School         | 11:00 am UMW Potluck Lunch       | 3:00 pm GriefShare |
|                 | 11:00 am Worship               | 6:00 pm Choir Practice           |                    |
|                 | <b>Monday</b>                  | <b>Thursday</b>                  |                    |
|                 | 4:00 pm Community Meal "To Go" | 6:00 pm AA Meeting (Legacy Hall) |                    |

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