

We're so glad you're here!

Please **register your attendance** using the pad on your pew or the QR code on the bulletin cover.

Flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Helen Schrimsher Curtis, John Mack Curtis and Lisa Ann Curtis by Lee Curtis Bee.

The rosebud on the lectern honors the birth of John Knox Judah, born July 7 to Amelia and Grant Judah. Maternal grandparents are Martha and Joe Sutton and paternal grandparents are Mary Ellen and Richard Judah.

CLT will meet July 28 at 6PM in Room 203 of the Wesley Worship Center.

Our new **Purple Doors T-shirts** are now available to our whole church family in three great colors! Scan this QR code to order yours today.



A new school year will be here before we know it! Here at Huntsville First, we want to celebrate it August 3 as we officially lift up our littles to the next grade on **Promotion Sunday**. Don't forget to bring your school backpacks for the Blessing of the Backpacks.

UMCOR Christmas gift shoe boxes are located in the Clinton Avenue and Green Street lobbies. There are two ways to participate: make a \$25 donation to UMCOR or fill a shoe box with items from the list attached to each box. The deadline is August 21.

Join us for **Leading@Hsv1st**, a six-week course to nurture and equip potential leaders. It begins Wednesday, August 27 from 6 to 8PM. Scan the QR Code to register.



Today

Nursery is open for children through age 3. Register children ages 4 (as of September 1) through second grade for Children's Church at the Welcome Desk in the Wesley Center. Sermon Notes for third through sixth graders are in the back of the sanctuary.

The **church library** is open from 9:20 to 10:50AM.

Summer Choir rehearsal, 10:15AM, choir loft.

Student Ministry movie night and ice cream sundaes, 6PM, Wesley Center.

Thursday

The **church library** is open from 1 to 3PM.

Friday

Men's Breakfast Group, 7:30AM, Room 129. Cost is \$10. Email Dick Titus at rc Titus@cowboys.uwyo.edu for details.



SENIOR PASTOR

Rev. Byron Vance

ASSOCIATE PASTORS

Rev. Rachel McKelvy Boggs, Rev. Bill Crosby,
Rev. Coy Hallmark, Rev. Joe Vonderheide, Rev. June Wilson



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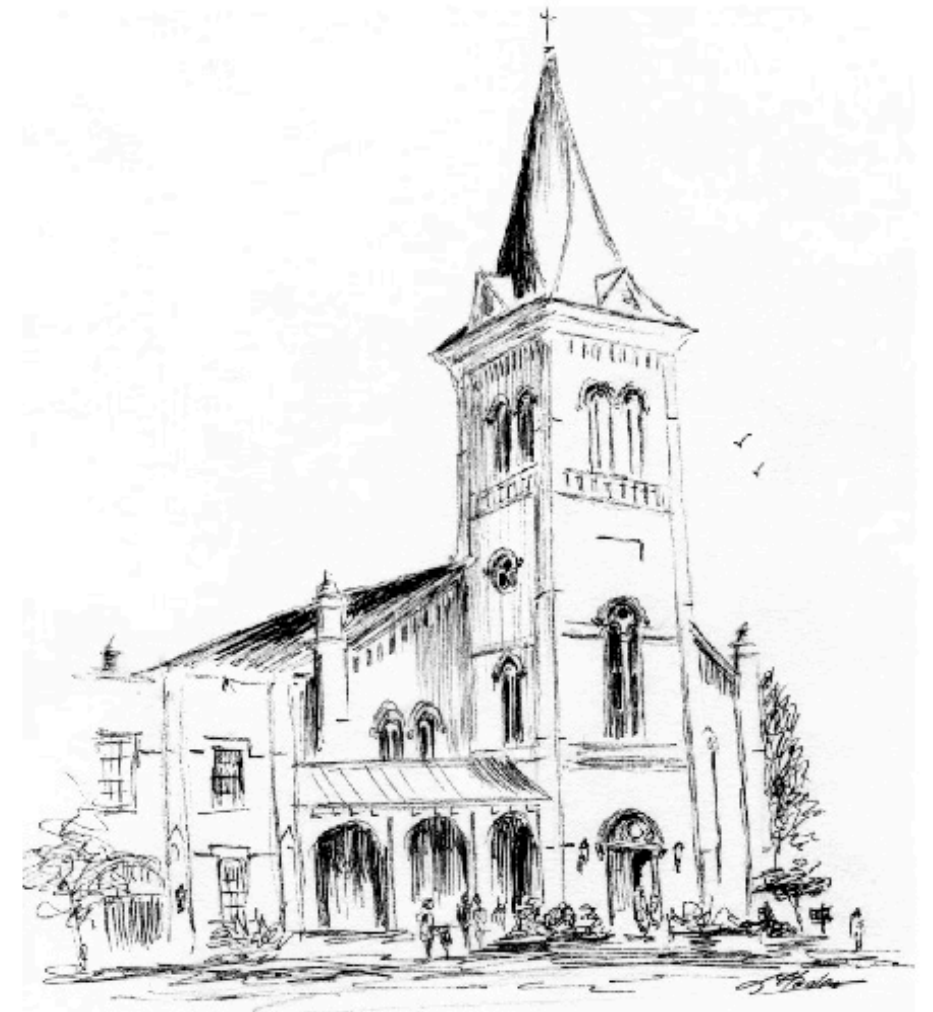
called to influence our community to know the love of Christ

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OFFICE HOURS
Monday-Thursday 8:30AM - 4PM
Friday 8:30AM - Noon
Sunday 8AM - Noon

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

20 JULY 2025 | 9 and 11AM

Using your smartphone camera, please scan the QR Code at right to register your attendance.

WIFI password JoHn3:16



Welcome to worship!

You are invited to read/sing the **bold print** appearing throughout the bulletin. Kindly silence all electronic devices.

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal

FWS = The Faith We Sing

*please stand as able



PRELUDE

The Heart of Peace | Mons Leidvin Takle

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: We gather this day from a week filled with needs and demands.

People: We come to find rest and renewal of our spirits.

Liturgist: Open your hearts in love to hear the voice of God.

People: We want to quietly rest in God’s presence, free from the clamor of the world.

Liturgist: This is the day that the Lord has made.

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Amen.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN UMH 545

The Church’s One Foundation | AURELIA

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMH 888

Leader: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:

People: Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.

We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God, the firstborn of all creation, the firstborn from the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit.

Christ is the head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI UMH 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.

*GREETING ONE ANOTHER

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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.

OFFERTORY

Divinum Mysterium | Alfred Fedak

*DOXOLOGY UMH 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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

and BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

Children ages 4 through second grade are invited to come to the back of the sanctuary and go with a “Shepherd” to Children’s Church (Wesley Center, Room 208/210). Pick up children in the Wesley Center after the service.

*HYMN OF PREPARATION UMH 184

Of the Father’s Love Begotten | DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

*SCRIPTURE READING

Colossians 1:15-28 (pew Bible, page 188, New Testament)

11AM **ANTHEM** | SANCTUARY CHOIR

Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee | Peter Mathews

Jesus, the very thought of Thee, with sweetness fills my breast; but sweeter far Thy face to see, and in Thy presence rest.

No voice can sing, no heart can frame, nor can the memory find a sweeter sound than Jesus’ name, the Saviour of mankind.

O hope of every contrite heart! O joy of all the meek, to those who fall, how kind Thou art! How good to those who seek!

But what to those who find? Ah! this nor tongue nor pen can show the love of Jesus, what it is, none but who love Him know.

Jesus, our only joy be Thou, as Thou our prize wilt be, in Thee be all our glory now, and through eternity.

SERMON | Rev. June Wilson

*CLOSING HYMN UMH 103

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise | ST. DENIO

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata in Seven | John Rutter

As the music plays, you may depart or remain seated in prayerful meditation.

11AM **THE CARILLON**



SERMON NOTES



Clergy Assist
Director of Music & Organist
Acoltyes

Ushers

Lay Liturgists

Rev. Coy Hallmark
Jillian Gardner
9AM Hartwell Eleazer, Marianne Eleazer
11AM Caroline Fink, Mason Plaxco
9AM Art Hargrove, Johnnie Hargrove,
Alex Johnson, David Lucas
11AM Milan Buncick, Bart Smith, Noah West
9AM Celese Kendrick
11AM Sallye Elliott