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His gospel in all of life until He comes.

SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2023



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THE GREATER TO THE LESSER

“He who did not spare His own Son but gave him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things?” Romans 8:32

Welcome	Taylor Park, <i>Executive Pastor</i>
Call to Worship	Revelation 5:12–14
Songs of Worship	All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Hymn of Heaven
Scripture Reading	Isaiah 2:2-4
Song of Worship	The Lord's Prayer (It's Yours)
Child Dedications	Charles Bennett Sanborn Thomas Gray Dyer V
Elder Prayer	Mark Gosney
Choral Meditation	His Robes for Mine
Dismissal of Children (Ages 3 through 2nd grade)	
Scripture Reading: Isaiah 40:25–31	Eliza Carpenter
Sermon	Dr. George W. Murray <i>Columbia International University</i>

*“Reasoning From the Greater to the Lesser”
Psalm 121:1, 2; Romans 8:32*

Song of Praise	How Great Thou Art (Hymn #21)
Benediction	

Musicians: The Worship Choir, Amelia Boer, Jeremy Conner, Trent England, Andy Holler, Tori Martin, John Rawlinson, Jamie Scholik, Phil Thompson. Ken Boer, Pastor of Worship.

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**Congregational Meeting, NEXT Sunday, May 21
6:00 p.m., Sanctuary | Childcare for nursery-4th grade**

On the agenda will be the annual election of Elders, Deacons, and Global Missions Team members, voting on the 2023-24 church budget, selecting Chairman and Vice-Chair of the Congregation, and hearing an update from the Pastoral Search Committee. Reports are available at Sanctuary entrances and www.firstevan.org/congregational-meeting.



Christ's Community Church Food Drive – Donate by Sunday, May 28

We are having a drive for our Memphis Ministry Partner, Christ's Community Church, to distribute food to our South Memphis neighbors. Please drop off items in the Fellowship Hall. For a list of specific food items, visit www.firstevan.org/food-drive.



**Mystery Island VBS: Discovering the Meaning of Life
Monday-Friday, June 5-9, 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. | Rising K-5th grade**

Kids will embark on a treasure hunt, searching for the meaning of life—from the lives of pre-born babies to eternal life in the Kingdom of God. Using God's Word as their guide, they'll discover that from the tiniest to the oldest, each person is made in the image of God—wonderfully designed to know Him and live for Him! www.firstevan.org/vbs

For more announcements, visit www.firstevan.org/loop.

Women's Ministry Summer Refreshments — We will have various opportunities throughout the summer for fellowship and learning. Visit www.firstevan.org/refreshments.

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

Steve & Margaret Winstead, Orphanos, Ethiopia

Praise

- That our beautiful church (IEC) building is now a stronghold for gospel proclamation and training
- That Wick Jackson has agreed to lead our Nehemiah 52 project to build a retaining wall.
- That a group of recent graduates from Downline in Memphis will travel here this week. First Evan staff member, Charity Gurley, will be a part of this group!

Pray

- For the Breathe conference with Orphanos for missionaries this summer.
- For the funds to successfully complete the Nehemiah 52 project (apx. \$300,000) by the end of June, before the rainy season comes.
- For college decisions coming up for our oldest, Samuel.

MEMPHIS PARTNER OF THE WEEK

STREETS Ministries

Praise

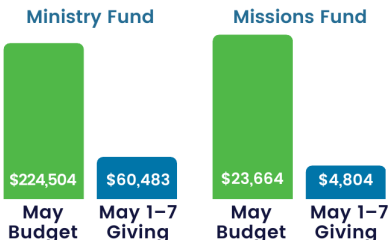
- That students made a SPLASH at STREET's Graham location end of the year Water Fest.
- For our open-rec times when students can come and participate in activities, like video gaming, and the opportunities to share Christ with them.
- For the quarterly Fun Friday events with our Pathways students, where they can participate in fun activities all over Memphis.

Pray

- That God would renew peace and purpose as our students near the end of the school year.
- That God would provide great candidates for our Volunteer Coordinator and Part-time Pathways Coordinator positions.
- That we may all focus on moving our hearts to seek refuge in God, the giver of peace.

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

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FAMILY MATTERS

- Hospital** Matt Alford, Baptist Memphis
Susan Smith, Baptist DeSoto
- Rehab** Shirley Boyd, Memphis Jewish Home
Joe Ann Taylor, The Village of Germantown
- Hospice** Halene Thompson
- Deaths** Trent Riggins, April 26, 2023
David Starr, May 4, 2023
Taylor Park's step-dad