

# We Gather to Worship God

Today's gospel lesson opens with further reflection on Jesus' baptism. He is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and the one anointed by the Spirit. Christ is revealed among us in Word and Table. We go forth weekly to invite others to come and worship the Holy One, and to receive the gifts of grace and peace made known among us.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY John Behnke  
*Come, Thou Almighty King*

## \* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 568 Italian Hymn  
*Christ for the World We Sing*

## \* CALL TO WORSHIP

*Listen up, everyone!*  
*God has given us work to do.*  
**God has called each of us**  
**before we were even born.**  
*It was God who named us.*  
**It is God who claims us.**  
*The light of God's love shines in us.*  
**Let's shine God's love into all the world!**

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH No. 881  
*The Apostles' 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 No. 70 Meineke

## \* PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Loving God, we confess that we have turned from your way*  
*to follow our own ways.*  
**Forgive us for the times**  
**we have spoken or acted too quickly;**  
**we have not spoken or acted at all; we have hurt those closest to us;**  
**we have hurt those we have yet to know;**  
**we have thought more about ourselves than others;**  
**we have thought less of ourselves that we ought.**  
**Turn us around, and give us a fresh start,**  
**so that we can live again as your children. Amen.**

*Hear God say to you now: Your sins are forgiven. Amen.*

**Your sins are forgiven. Amen.**

## \* PASSING OF THE PEACE

*The peace of the Lord be with you all.*  
**And also with you.**  
 \* All may exchange signs of peace.

The passing of the peace is an invitation for the worshiping assembly to share the gift of Christ's peace with one another. Exchanging the peace after confession and pardon is a gesture of love and blessing. We invite you to turn to your neighbor and offer blessing by saying, "Peace be with you."

~ **WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD** ~

THE FIRST LESSON Isaiah 49:1-7 OT. Pg. 679

*This is the word of God for the people of God.*  
**Thanks be to God.**

ACT OF PRAISE Psalm 40 Richmond

*Great things, indeed, O Lord my God,*  
*Are they that you have done;*  
*How great your wonders and your plans;*  
*Who is like you? No one.*

*If only I could tell your deeds,*  
*But who can know them all?*  
*You ask no sacrifice or gift,*  
*But ears to hear your call.*

*Burnt offerings you have not required*  
*And therefore, for my part,*  
*I said, "I come to do your will;*  
*Your word is in my heart."*

*Your righteousness before your own*  
*I have been bold to show;*  
*Nor did I yet restrain my lips*  
*And that, O Lord, you know*

THE SECOND LESSON I Corinthians 1:1-9 NT Pgs. 165-166

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\* THE GOSPEL LESSON John 1:29-42 NT Pg. 92

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CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Josh Tietje  
 Children ages three through first-grade may go to Children's Church in room 123.  
 Nurseries provided for infants through 3 years in rooms 118 & 120.

THE SERMON Rev. Kyle Randle

*Come and See*

~ **WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD** ~

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 156 Hankey

*I Love to Tell the Story*

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Lord, in your mercy.*  
**Hear our Prayer.**

OFFERTORY James Southbridge

*Be Thou My Vision*

\* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

~ **WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD** ~

\* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 580 Lancashire

*Lead On, O King Eternal*

\* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY Sigfrid Karg-Elert

*Praise God with the Drums and Cymbals*

## \* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God.  
 and in honor of Craig Hyman,  
 loving husband, dad and Pop, on his birthday  
 by Melinda Hyman and Woody, Katherine and Rowe Smith.

We welcome Patrick Downes as our guest organist today. Mr. Downes is a native of Delaware and graduated from Westminster Choir College (NJ). He is a former vocal music teacher in the Christina and Newark School districts in DE with 25 years experience before focusing all his attention on church music in 1994. Most recently, he served First UMC in Myrtle Beach as Organist/Pianist for 12 years. He is married to Linda Downes, also a former church musician, and they have 2 grown children and 2 grandchildren.



**NOTES FOR WORSHIP**

Numbers by the hymns, Affirmation of Faith, and Doxology are from the United Methodist Hymnal and The Faith We Sing Hymnal (TFWS) found in the pew racks. Old Testament and New Testament scripture readings are from the New Revised Standard Version, located in the pew. Page numbers for the readings are listed in the order of worship.

**WELCOME TO FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**Newcomers and Guests**

Welcome! We are grateful that you have chosen to worship with us today. We hope that you will receive a blessing from the service. If you don't already have a church home, it is our hope that you will consider letting First Church fill that need.

All worshipers are asked to sign the Attendance Pad at the end of each pew and pass it along to your neighbors. Rev. Randle will contact you later in the week.

**We welcome children into our worship!**

Children are part of the family of God. They learn how to worship God by seeing other people worship. Children are welcome in the church to worship with their parents or caregivers. We understand that sometimes it is hard to be present in worship with young children. If you choose, we have a nursery for infants and toddlers.

The Nursery is located on the first floor of the Education Wing in Rm. 118. Our nursery is staffed with paid professionals and loving volunteers. Parents are asked to sign in their children and check out a pager, so that we may contact you should the need arise during worship. An usher will direct you to the nursery.

**Have a hard time hearing?**

If you can't hear the service, please let an usher know. We have hearing assist devices which will help even the most hard of hearing to participate in the service!

A restroom is located in the Narthex, the Parlor, and the first floor of the Education Wing. Baby Changing Stations are located in the Nursery, Rm. 118.

In the hustle and bustle of getting ourselves ready for church, it is easy to forget to turn off our cell phones. We offer this gentle reminder to please turn cell phones off so that the worship service is not disrupted by them.

**Serving This Sunday, January 15**

- Altar Guild:** Janet Roche, Janet Von Deck
- Acolytes and Crucifer:** Jacob Johnson, Ross Fallaw, Chad Steinfield
- Counting Committee:** (Monday) Danny Clonts
- Trustee Duty:** Dawne Clonts, Johnny Vaught
- Children's Church:** William and Jill Nelson, Sallie Goldfinch
- Sound Technicians:** Lee Hickman, Charles Hucks
- Ushers:** Phil Thompson (Chairman), Will Chappell, Danny Clonts, Travis Dannelly, Bo Ives, Sammy Johnson, Richard Jordan, Ken Senn, Frank Watts, Chris Wright

**Sunday, January 15**

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship / Sanctuary
- 5:30 p.m. UMYF / Family Life Center

**Monday, January 16**

- 6:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting / Commons

**Tuesday, January 17**

- 8:30 a.m. Preschool / Rooms 117 & 120
- 2:00 p.m. Garden Club Meeting / FLC
- 6:00 p.m. Cocaine Anonymous Meeting (CA) / FLC
- 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts / FLC

**Wednesday, January 18**

- 8:30 a.m. Preschool / Rooms 117 & 120
- 3:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Programs / FLC
- 3:45 p.m. Children's Activities / FLC
- 4:30 p.m. Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
- 5:00 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal / Fellowship Hall
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study / Room. 216
- 6:15 p.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Handbell Room 205
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. Sonshine "Sunday" School Class / Commons

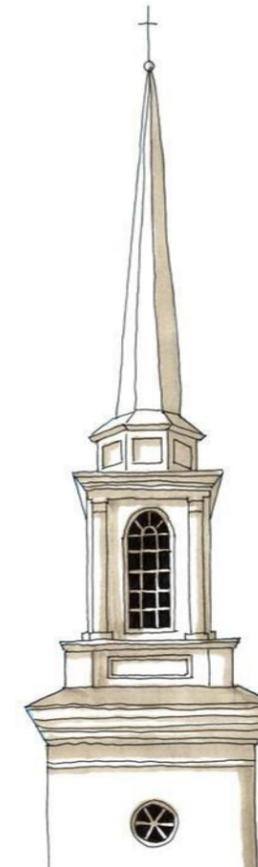
**Thursday, January 19**

- 8:30 a.m. Preschool / Rooms 117 & 120
- 6:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting / FLC

**Friday, January 20**

- 7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC

Stewardship for the week of January 8			
<b>Operating</b>	<b>10,064.29</b>	Sunday School	117
Building Fund	135.00	Worship	172
Capital Campaign	1,410.00	Wonderful Wednesday	112
Total	11,609.29	Help4Kids Items	42
		CAP Items	6



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Second Sunday after the Epiphany  
January 15, 2017  
10:30 a.m.



**Welcome to First United Methodist Church**

Out of a broken and sinful world, all people are welcomed into the body of Jesus Christ at First Church. As children of God, together we join in worship to experience the transforming love of our Savior.

We are here this morning to worship God. Through our songs, words of praise, prayers and scripture reading, we give honor and glory to God. Wondrous things happen as we worship. Lives are changed. The presence of God brings hope, comfort, healing, and joy. Let us worship in gladness. Jesus, the Lord of Life is with us.