

We Gather to Worship God

In Deuteronomy God promises to raise up a prophet like Moses, who will speak for God. We encounter Jesus' unique authority in God's word, around which we gather, the word that trumps any lesser spirit that would claim power over us, freeing us to follow Jesus.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Simple Gifts
Voices in Bronze

Shaker Tune

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 561

Jesus, United by Thy Grace

St. Agnes

* OPENING DIALOGUE

*As people,
as a community of faith—
we gather in this place.*

To listen.

To speak.

To worship.

To pray.

To be with God.

Because we know —

it is out of God's authority,

it is out of God's love,

that we live.

Alleluia!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

Let us prepare the way of the lord by confessing our sin against God and neighbor.

God of all time, we confess that we have not prepared for your merciful reign among us. We ignore our neighbors in need and fail in the labor of justice and peace. In your mercy forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your light and to seek the things that will endure until Christ comes again in glory. Amen.

*Comfort, O comfort my people, says your God. In Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven and all things are made new. Rejoice in this good news!
Amen.*

* 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."

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Ty James Hudson
son of Colby and Alison Hudson

Brothers and sisters in Christ: through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

I present Ty James Hudson for baptism,

RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

On behalf of the whole church, I ask you:

Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

I do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

I do.

Will you nurture this child in Christ's holy church, that through your teaching and example he may be guided to accept God's grace for himself, to profess his faith openly, and to lead a Christian life?

We will.

Leader Address the Congregation

Do you, as Christ's body, the church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include this child now before you in your care?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround Ty with a community of love and forgiveness, that he may grow in his service to others. We will pray for him that he may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe 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, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Eternal Father: When nothing existed but chaos, you swept across the dark waters and brought forth light. In the days of Noah you saved those on the ark through water. After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow.

When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt, you led them to freedom through the sea. Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land which you promised.

Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of God's mercy each day.

In the fullness of time you sent Jesus, nurtured in the water of a womb. He was baptized by John and anointed by your spirit. He called his disciples to share in the baptism of his death and resurrection and to make disciples of all nations.

Declare his works to the nations, his glory among all the people.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, to bless this gift of water and the one who receives it, to wash away his sin and clothe him in righteousness throughout his life, that, dying and being raised with Christ, he may share in his final victory.

All praise to you, Eternal Father, through your Son Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns for ever. Amen.

BAPTISMAL ANTHEM *Wade in the Water* Spiritual
Cherub Choir / Sara Randle, soloist

Ty James Hudson, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit, you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Now it is our joy to welcome our new brother in Christ.

Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as a member of the family of Christ.

~ WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD ~

THE FIRST LESSON Deuteronomy 18:15-20 OT Pg.174

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

HYMN OF THE DAY No. 463 Canonbury

Lord, Speak to Me
Verse 1

THE SECOND LESSON I Corinthians 8:1-13 NT Pg. 171

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

ANTHEM *Spirit Now Live in Me* Bryan Leech
Cherub Choir / Sara Randle, soloist

* THE GOSPEL LESSON Mark 1:21-28 NT Pg. 35

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CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Rev. Kyle

Love, Love, Love

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.

SERMON Rev. Kyle D. Randle

Good, But Not Tame

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

* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 264 *Beach Spring*
Silence, Frenzied, Unclean Spirit

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS No. 38

THE PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY Offertory on *Canonbury* Gerald Near

* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

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

* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 2001 (TFWS) *Darwall's 148th*
We Sing to You, O God

* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY Craig Penfield
Allegro Brillante (from Festival Concerto)

* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in celebration of Adlee Joseph Case for his 1st birthday
with love, Mommy, Daddy and big brother Elias

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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.

Serving This Sunday, January 28

Altar Guild: Libby Saville, Janet Roche, Janet Von Deck, Lillie Gottier
Acolytes and Crucifer: Ross Fallaw, Annie Cecil, Charley Levy
Counting Committee: Sallie Goldfinch, Lynn Hammond
Trustee Duty: Brian Stewart, Anna Barnhill
Bus Duty: Blake Martin
Children's Church: John and Lauren Sawyer
Sound Technicians: Lee Hickman, Charles Hucks, Dave Carey
Ushers: Phil Thompson (Chairman), Travis Dannelly, Bo Ives, Sammy Johnson, Richard Jordan, Ken Senn, Frank Watts, Chris Wright

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, January 28

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. New Comers Meet and Greet / Family Life Center (FLC)
9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM
10:30 a.m. Worship Service / Sanctuary
12:00 p.m. Hudson/Hammond Family / Fellowship Hall
3:00 p.m. District Leadership Training / Sanctuary and Education Wing
5:00 p.m. The Bridge Ministry / FLC
5:00 p.m. UMYF / FLC

Monday, January 29

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
5:00 p.m. Conway Jr. Cotillion / Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting / FLC
6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts / FLC

Tuesday, January 30

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting / Room 213
6:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts / FLC
8:00 p.m. AI-Anon Meeting / FLC Senior Room

Wednesday, January 31

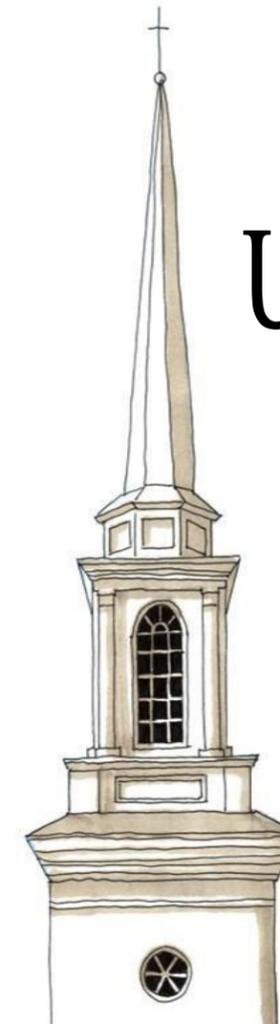
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
3:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Programs / FLC
3:45 p.m. Children's Activities / FLC
4:30 p.m. Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
5:10 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
5:10 p.m. Voices in Bronze Rehearsal / Room 211
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal / Fellowship Hall
6:15 p.m. Ladies Study: *Voice of God* / Room 216
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
7:00 p.m. Sonshine "Sunday" School Class / Commons

Thursday, February 1

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts / FLC

Friday, February 2

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC



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Fourth Sunday of Epiphany
January 28, 2018
10:30 a.m.

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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.