First Church at Worship

Witnesses to the glory of God in the face of Jesus will be unable to avoid reflecting that glory in the world. It was true for Moses. It was doubtless true for Peter, James, and John. We pray that it will be true to all of us who see the glory of the Lord in the Word and who are being "transformed into the same image" by the Spirit of God.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY

J. S. Bach

Fugue in C minor

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 185

Laudes Domini

When Morning Gilds the Skies

* THE GREETING

God touches the world,

and the world changes.

God touches us,

and we are transformed. *In the brightest of day,*

in the deepest of night,

on mountain,

in valley,

everywhere.

In this time, together,

we invite God

to open our eyes

to the transformation

of our lives.

And through the change –

we worship God.

Alleluia!

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

No. 881

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

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us come before God in confession.

Mighty and loving God, we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We seek our own way. We divide the body of Christ. In your mercy, cleanse and heal us. Let the words of our mouths, the thoughts of our hearts, and everything that we do be filled with faith, hope and love. Amen.

In the name of Jesus Christ, I proclaim to you that our sins are forgiven and we are released. The joy of the Lord is our strength, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are ours forever. 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 ~

ANTHEM Jacques Berthier

> Bless the Lord, My Soul Cherub Choir; Janet Lawrence, clarinet

THE FIRST LESSON Exodus 34:29-35

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

ACT OF PRAISE

Duke Street

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Meineke

Proclaim God's greatness and bow down And worship him, the Holy Lord; Moses and Aaron, Samuel, They called on God and heard his word.

Psalm 99

Out of the cloud he spoke to them, They kept his law and his decrees: O Lord, you answered and forgave, Yet punished all their evil deeds.

Proclaim God's greatness and bow down, Worship him on his holy hill; He is Lord, our God and King, The Holy One, our Savior still.

THE SECOND LESSON 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

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This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM Paul Isom

King of All Ages, Throned on High

* THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 15:21-28

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Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

"Goodbye, Farewell...."

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

Amazing Grace

Rev. Ken Land

~ WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD ~

* THE HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 395

Holiness

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Take Time to Be Holy

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY W. A. Mozart

Alleluia!

ANTHEM Camille Saint-Saens

Praise Ye the Lord of Hosts

* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 173

Ratisbon

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

* 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 loving memory of our son, Neal Emerson Smoak, by Donald and Bonita.



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.

THINGS TO KNOW WHILE WORSHIPING AT FIRST UMC

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.

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.

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.



We encourage you to make use of our online giving option especially during the summer travel season. Please scan the QR code with any smart phone or iPhone to navigate to the *secure* ACS account for FUMC and make your donation. You may also visit the website at: www.fumcconway.org and follow the "online giving" link to make a donation.

Serving This Sunday, February 7

Altar Guild: Churchill Jenkins, Betty Smith, Bobby Stilley,

Woodie Woodward

Acolytes and Crucifer: Ben Chanaca, Jacob Johnson, Anna Clair Roof

Counting Committee: (Sunday) Ike Locklair / Blake Martin

(Monday) Karlene Rudolph / Nancy Stiltner **Trustee Duty:** Janet Martin, Ben Yenicek

Bus Duty: Jack McCutcheon

Sound Technicians: Lee Hickman, Charles Hucks

Ushers: Phil Thompson (Chairman), Duc Watts (Co-Chairman)

Jack Driggers, James Hammond, Jimmy Jones, Blake Martin, George Martin,

Dick Sayre, Ernie Turnes

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, February 7

9:30 a.m. Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast 100.9 FM

11:00 a.m. Worship Service / Sanctuary

12:00 p.m. Souper Bowl Soup Luncheon / Fellowship Hall

Monday, February 8

7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts Meeting / FLC

Tuesday, February 9

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Room 120

1:00 p.m. Stilley/Walsh Circle / FLC Senior Room

5:30 p.m. Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper & Celebration/ Fellowship Hall

6:00 p.m. CA Meeting (Cocaine Anonymous) / FLC

6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts Meeting / FLC 7:00 p.m. UMW Executive Meeting / Parlor

Wednesday, February 10

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Room 120

12:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service / The Hut Chapel 2:30 p.m. Children Are Picked Up From School

3:00 p.m. Children's Activities / FLC

5:00 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105

5:30 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Evening Meal / Fellowship Hall

6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service / Sanctuary

Thursday, February 11

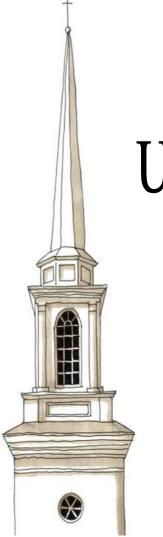
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Room 120 6:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting / Commons

Friday, February 12

7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC

Saturday, February 13

Haiti Mission Team Returns



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Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany February 7, 2016 11:00 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.