

# We Gather to Worship God

*In today's first reading we hear, "You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy." yet we know we cannot achieve perfection. Our attempts to love our neighbors and even our enemies fall short of what God desires for us. Yet in Jesus we see one who loved even those who persecuted and killed him. We are made holy in baptism, and forgiven at the table of God's mercy. As a people made holy by God, we go in peace to love as we have been loved.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY Cynthia Dobrinski  
*Come Thou Fount*  
 Carillon Choir

## \* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 444 Blairgowrie  
*O Young and Fearless Prophet*

## \* CALL TO WORSHIP

*God who sent the Light into our world, who shone in the Bethlehem manger, -and who spreads the Spirit's rays, be with you all.  
 And also with you.*

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Holy and faithful God,  
 we so often choose our own way instead of yours. We think we can evade your commandments. We have spoken in ways that kill, strayed with our hearts, betrayed our friends, and hated enemies. We have broken our promises. Search us deeply and create us anew. Lift the heavy burden of our sin and free us to follow your way of life. Amen.*

*Receive forgiveness in the name of + Jesus Christ, our crucified and risen Savior. 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 worshipping 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 Leviticus 19:1-2, 9-18 OT Pg. 106

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

## THE PSALTER

Psalm 119:33-40

*Dickinson College*

Eternal Lord, teach me your way  
 And I will follow for my part;  
 Enable me to know your law  
 Which I shall keep with all my heart.

Engage my feet upon the path  
 Of your commandments, hear my plea;  
 Expel all love of unjust gain,  
 Incline my heart to your decree.

Endow me, in your ways, with life,  
 And turn my eyes from sin and shame;  
 Establish now the promise, Lord,  
 You make to those who fear your Name.

Expose me not to dread reproach,  
 For all your judgments, Lord, are right;  
 Eternal God, preserve my life,  
 For your commandments are my delight.

THE SECOND LESSON I Corinthians 3:10-11, 16-23 NT Pgs. 167-168

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## ANTHEM

Loonis McGlohon

*Teach Me, Lord*  
 Jo Anna Fallaw, soprano; Lee Hickman, string bass

THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew:5:38-48 NT Pg. 5

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## CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Rev. Kyle

*Turn Around*

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

*We Are Invited*

## ~ WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD ~

\* THE HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 408 *Gift of Love*  
*The Gift of Love*

\* 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*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

After each petition, please respond  
*Lord, in your mercy:  
 Hear our prayer.*

OFFERTORY *Trio* Josef Rheinberger

\* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

## ~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

\* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 560 *Acceptance*  
*Help Us Accept Each Other*

## \* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY David German  
*Festive Trumpet Tune*

## \* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of  
 George H. Martin, Sr. for his birthday February 22  
 by George Martin, Tammy Hendrick and Families.



**NOTES FOR WORSHIP**

Numbers by the hymns, Affirmation of Faith, Doxology, are from the United Methodist Hymnal 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 wish to invite you to contact one of our staff members if you would like more information about FUMC:

- Kyle.Randle@fumconway.org (Pastor)
- Billy.Fallaw@fumconway.org (Dir. of Music)
- Tim.Whitten@fumconway.org (Dir. of Christian Ed.)
- Danny.Clonts@fumconway.org (Accountant)
- Office@fumconway.org (Ministry Asst.)

A full listing of the staff may be found in the Announcements inserted in the bulletin or online.

**Stewardship and Attendance**

<b>Operating</b>	<b>5,974.85</b>	Sunday School	140
Hut Bible Class	50.00	Worship	219
Red Bird Mission	25.00	Children's Pottery	8
Gideon Ministry	25.00	Wonderful Wednesday	96
CAP	25.00	CAP Items	14
Music Discretionary	30.00	Help4Kids	
Building Fund	3,447.00	Individual Juices	50
Total	9,576.85	Raman Noodles	12
		Vienna Sausages	6
		Crackers	59

Serving This Sunday, February 23

- Liturgist:** Tim Whitten
- Altar Guild:** Bobby Stilley, Woodie Woodward, Churchill Jenkins  
Margaret Thompson
- Acolytes and Crucifer:** Jade Edwards, Collin Hucks, Laurel Edwards
- Counting Committee:** (Sunday) Ike Locklair, Blake Martin  
(Monday) Maxine Dunn and Margaret Thompson
- Children's Church:** Ann and Charles Myers
- Trustee Duty:** George Martin
- Sound Technician:** Lee Hickman / Charles Hucks / Thomas Hickman
- Ushers:** Phillip 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 23

- 9:15 a.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Sanctuary
- 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
- 3:30 p.m. Rehearsal for Hymn Festival / Sanctuary
- 5:00 p.m. Hymn Festival / Sanctuary
- 5:00 p.m. UMYF / FLC
- 6:00 p.m. The Daniel Plan / First Floor Commons

Monday, February 24

- 10:30 a.m. Bible Study & Discussion / FLC Senior Room
- 3:15 p.m. Children's Pottery Class / FLC
- 4:15 p.m. Children's Pottery Class / FLC
- 6:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting / FLC

Wednesday, February 26

- 3:00 p.m. Children's Snack Time / FLC
- 3:15 p.m. Cherub and Wesley Treble Choirs Rehearsal / Rm. 105
- 4:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Activities / FLC
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal / Fellowship Hall
- 6:15 p.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Rm. 211
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study: Table Talk / Rm. 122
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Rm. 105

Thursday, February 27

- 6:30 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 804 Meeting / FLC

Saturday, March 1

- 9:30 a.m. AGO Conway's Organ Crawl / Beginning at Kingston Presb.



# First United Methodist Church

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Third Sunday in Lent  
 February 23, 2014  
 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.