

We Gather to Worship God

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY *How Great Thou Art* Hine/Sheppard
Asbury Ringers

INTROIT

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 173 *Ratisbon*
Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Beyond our busyness,
Above the cold winter floor
there is a glory rising born of heaven
and reaching out to each one of us

**a light that shines through the clouds
an invitation seeking all of who we are
that transfigures the world**

that transforms darkness into hope
that brings life from a cross
where old life ends and new life is born

**In glory Jesus meets us here
raising us from depths of valley to the height of the mountain
carrying the weight of our humanity
to the heights of heavens glory.**

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM *see insert*

~ WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD ~

THE FIRST LESSON Exodus 24:12-18

¹²The Lord said to Moses, "Come up to me on the mountain, and wait there; and I will give you the tablets of stone, with the law and the commandment, which I have written for their instruction." ¹³So Moses set out with his assistant Joshua, and Moses went up into the mountain of God. ¹⁴To the elders he had said, "Wait here for us, until we come to you again; for Aaron and Hur are with you; whoever has a dispute may go to them." ¹⁵Then Moses went up on the mountain, and the cloud covered the mountain. ¹⁶The glory of the Lord settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it for six days; on the seventh day he called to Moses out of the cloud. ¹⁷Now the appearance of the glory of the Lord was like a devouring fire on the top of the mountain in the sight of the people of Israel. ¹⁸Moses entered the cloud, and went up on the mountain. Moses was on the mountain for forty days and forty nights.
This is the word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

ACT OF PRAISE Psalm 99:5-9 *Duke Street*

**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.**

**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 the Lord, our God and King,
The Holy One, our Savior still.**

THE SECOND LESSON 2 Peter 1:16-21

¹⁶For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we had been eyewitnesses of his majesty. ¹⁷For he received honor and glory from God the Father when that voice was conveyed to him by the Majestic Glory, saying, "This is my Son, my Beloved, with whom I am well pleased." ¹⁸We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven, while we were with him on the holy mountain.

¹⁹So we have the prophetic message more fully confirmed. You will do well to be attentive to this as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts. ²⁰First of all you must understand this, that no prophecy of scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, ²¹because no prophecy ever came by human will, but men and women moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.
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ANTHEM *Be Thou My Vision* Alice Parker

* THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION No. 2043 (TFWS) *Celtic Alleluia*
Alleluia (sing twice)

* THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 17:1-9

¹Six days later, Jesus took with him Peter and James and his brother John and led them up a high mountain, by themselves. ²And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became dazzling white. ³Suddenly there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. ⁴Then Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here; if you wish, I will make three dwellings here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." ⁵While he was still speaking, suddenly a bright cloud overshadowed them, and from the cloud a voice said, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!" ⁶When the disciples heard this, they fell to the ground and were overcome by fear. ⁷But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Get up and do not be afraid." ⁸And when they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus himself alone.

⁹As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus ordered them, "Tell no one about the vision until after the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."
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* THE GOSPEL RESPONSE No. 2043 (TFWS) *Celtic Alleluia*
Alleluia (sing twice)

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Mr. Josh
*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

* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 2173 *Shine, Jesus, Shine*

Rev. Kyle Randle

Shine, Jesus, Shine

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

God, who searches us and knows us,
**you have shown us what is good,
but we have looked to other lights to find our way.
We have not been just in our dealings with others.
We have chosen revenge over mercy.
We have promoted ourselves
instead of walking humbly with you.
With what shall we come before you?
Forgive us our sin,
and show us your salvation
in the face of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Beloved of God,
you have received the Spirit of God,
poured out for you in the faithfulness of Jesus Christ.
Receive the promise of baptism:
You are God's child; your sins are forgiven.
Rejoice and be glad, for yours is the kingdom of heaven. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

We pray:
Hear us, God of light.

OFFERTORY *Pastorale* J. K. Kuchar

* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 162 *Alleluia No. 1*
Alleluia! Alleluia

* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Fanfare* Jacques Lemmens

* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and
in honor of Lois Sayre for her 80th birthday
by all her family!

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.

“Busy Bags” for Children Ages 3 and up

Bags are available in the Narthex and Bell Tower.

Parents will be responsible for returning the bags after Worship service.

FUMC Staff

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This Week at FUMC

Sunday, February 23

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM
10:30 a.m. Worship Service / Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. Chamber Orchestra Rehearsal / Sanctuary
4:30 p.m. Voices in Bronze / Room 205
5:30 p.m. UMYF and Bridge / Family Life Center (FLC)

Monday, February 24

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts / FLC Room 102

Tuesday, February 25

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
5:30 p.m. Shrove Tuesday Celebration / Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC Room 102
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts / FLC Room 104
8:00 p.m. AA Meeting / FLC Room 102
8:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting / FLC Room 101

Wednesday, February 26

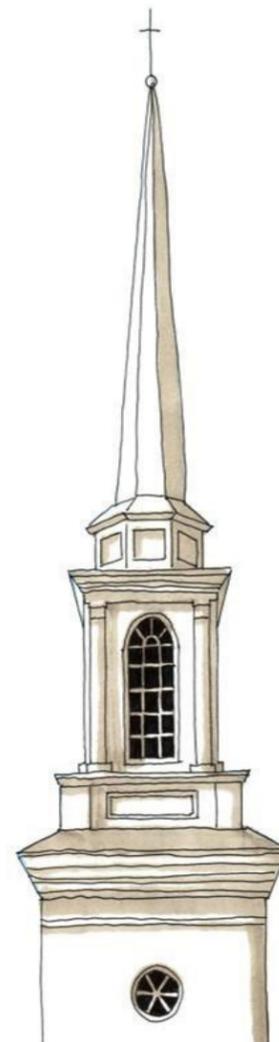
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
12:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service / The Hut Chapel
3:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Children's Activities / Education Wing
3:30 p.m. Children's Weekly Lesson/Games/Crafts / Education Wing
3:45 p.m. 7th & 8th Grade Hang-out / FLC Room 103
4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class / FLC Room 104
4:30 p.m. Chime Choir Rehearsal / Handbell Room 211
4:30 p.m. Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Room 105
5:00 p.m. Asbury Ringers Rehearsal / Room 211
5:00 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal / Room 105
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal / Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service / Sanctuary

Thursday, February 27

7:00 a.m. Youth Breakfast / Chick-fil-A Conway
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts / FLC Room 104

Friday, February 28

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC Room 102



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Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany
Transfiguration Sunday

February 23, 2020
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.