

# First Church at Worship

*The gospel lesson today proclaims the witness of the risen Christ sharing food with the disciples, meals that become the Easter pattern for the meal we share together at Christ's table giving us the meaning of his suffering, death, and resurrection through the scriptures.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY Craig Penfield  
*Allegretto (from Festival Concerto)*

## INTROIT

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 308 *Judas Maccabeus*  
*Thine Be the Glory*

\* EASTER GREETING

*ALLELUIA! Christ is risen!*  
***Christ is risen indeed! ALLELUIA!***  
*Glory and honor, dominion and power, be to God for ever and ever.*  
***Christ is risen indeed! ALLELUIA!***

\* 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.*

\* THE GLORIA PATRI No 70

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Faithful God, we confess that we are captive to doubt and fear, bound by  
 the ways that lead to death. We have not loved our sisters and brothers  
 as you have first loved us. Forgive us, God of mercy. Let your Holy  
 Spirit work in us to change our lives and make us new, that we may  
 know the abundant life given in Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.*

*In this love, not that we have loved God, but that God has loved us and  
 sent his Son to atone for our sins. We are forgiven in the name of Jesus  
 Christ. Let the perfect love of God cast out fear, fill you with joy, and  
 inspire you to live for others. 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 Acts 3:12-19 NT Pg. 120-121

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

THE ACT OF PRAISE Psalm 133 *Crimond*

*O God, defender of my cause,  
 When I call, answer me:  
 You have set me free when most hard pressed;  
 Have mercy, hear my plea.*

*How long will you dishonor me,  
 You creatures of the dust;  
 And worship gods that cannot speak  
 And in false idols trust?"*

*God does great wonders for his own;  
 When I call, he will hear;  
 Speak to your heart, then, secretly;  
 Do not sin; stand in fear.*

*Offer the sacrifice required,  
 And trust in God's great might;  
 While many seek for better times,  
 Lord, let us see your light.*

*You put more gladness in my heart  
 Than when our crops increase;  
 You, Lord, alone make me secure;  
 I fall asleep in peace.*

THE SECOND LESSON I John 3:1-7 NT Pg. 240

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

ANTHEM Gordon Young

*Litany for Easter*

\* THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 24:36b-48 NT Pg. 91

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

\* THE GOSPEL RESPONSE No. 315 *St. Kevin*

*Come, Ye Faithful Raise the Strain*  
 Stanza 1 sung by choir, stanza 5 sung by all.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Rev. Kyle

*Whisper or Shout?*

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

*Can I Get a Witness?*

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

\* THE HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 304 *Regent Square*  
*Easter People, Raise Your Voices*

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS No. 38  
*Brian and Jeanne Stewart, Brighton and Owen*

PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY G. F. Handel

*Let the Bright Seraphim*

\* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 94

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

\* HYMN OF SENDING No. 318 *Truro*  
*Christ Is Alive*

\* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

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

\* Congregation Stands

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and  
 to celebrate the Christian marriage of  
 Jenni and Keaton Capps on Saturday, April 18.

## NOTES FOR WORSHIP

Numbers by the hymns, Affirmation of Faith, Doxology, and Psalter 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 WORSHIPPING 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:

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

## Prayer Concerns

**Assisted Living Facilities: Emeritus:** Bobbie Davis; **Conway Manor:** Edith Lewis; **Kingston:** Ruth Coy; **Cornelius, NC:** Helen Wakefield; **Mt. Prospect, IL:** Faye Perrault,

**At Home:** George Martin, Irby Koon, Sylvia Avant, Betty James, Betty Folks, Mary T. Foxworth, Jane Gore, Gwen Mishoe, Diana Rodwell, Tootsie Atkins, Tommy Jordan, Irene Calhoun, Ruth Thomas.

## Serving This Sunday, April 19

**Altar Guild:** Debbie Johnson, Libby Saville, Christi Edwards

**Acolytes and Crucifer:** Laurel and Jade Edwards,  
Savannah Seremet

**Counting Committee:** (Sunday) Blake Martin, Delan Stevens

(Monday) Maxine Dunn, Margaret Thompson, Nancy Stiltner

**Trustee Duty :** Mark Chanaca, Debbie Brooks

**Sound Technician:** Lee Hickman / Charles Hucks

**Children's Church :** Debby and Julia Brooks

**Bus Duty:** Tim Whitten

**Ushers:** Spivey Hood (Chairman), Charles Timbes (Co-Chairman)

Bob Butler, Philip Davis, Andy Hendrick, Blake Hewitt, Doug Roof, Daniel Hunnicutt, Benjamin Smith, John Steen, Scott Sayre, Randy Wood.

## This Week at FUMC

### Sunday, April 19

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast 100.9 FM  
10:00 a.m. Swiss Melody Bells Ensemble Rehearsal / Rm. 119  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary  
5:30 p.m. UMYF / FLC

### Monday, April 20

7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts / FLC

### Tuesday, April 21

7:00 p.m. Cocaine Anonymous (CA) / FLC  
7:00 p.m. Missions Meeting / FLC

### Wednesday, April 22

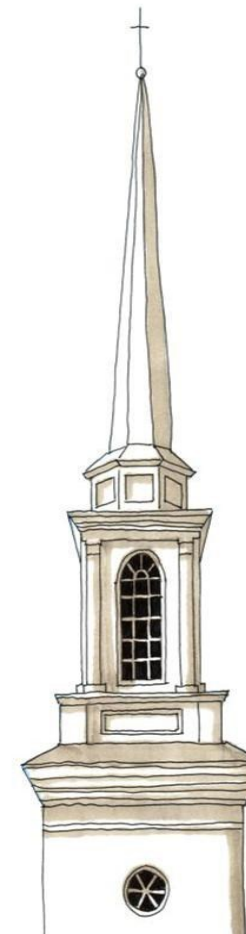
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting / Room 211  
2:30 p.m. Children are picked up from school  
3:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Snack Time / FLC  
3:15 p.m. Cherub and Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Room 105  
5:30 p.m. Church Family Meal / Fellowship Hall  
6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study & Discussion / Room 216  
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Room 205

### Thursday, April 23

6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts / FLC

### Friday, April 24

5:30 p.m. Voce Angeli / Sanctuary



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Third Sunday of Easter  
April 19, 2015  
11:00 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.