

We Gather to Worship God

Today is sometimes called “Good Shepherd Sunday.” Jesus is the “gate” of the sheep in today’s gospel. The risen Christ opens the way to abundant life. He anoints our heads with oil and guides us beside the still waters of our baptism. He spreads a feast before us in the midst of world’s violence and war. We go forth to be signs of the resurrection and extend God’s tender care to all creation

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY J. S. Bach
If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee

INTROIT

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 307 W Zlobie Lezy
Christ Is Risen

* CALL TO WORSHIP

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 *The Apostles’ Creed* No. 881

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

* THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Just as God’s work of creation never ends,
so the gifts received in baptism are renewed everyday.
Let us give thanks together for the life given in baptism.

We give your thank for your salvation through water:
for delivering Noah and his family through the floodwaters,
for leading your people Israel through the sea into freedom,
for preserving your prophet Elijah through the time of drought,
for guiding your people across the Jordan into a new land,
for quenching the Samaritan woman’s thirst with living water.

We give thanks for the life in Christ through your Holy Spirit:
for entry into Jesus’ death through these waters,
for our new birth into a life of freedom and service,
for our calling to be your people,
sent out for the life of the world.
We give you thanks, blessed and holy trinity, now and 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** ~

THE FIRST LESSON Acts 2:42-47 NT Pg. 120

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

THE HYMN OF THE DAY No. 136 Crimond
The Lord’s My Shepherd, I’ll Not Want

THE SECOND LESSON I Peter 2:19-25 NT Pgs. 233-234

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

ANTHEM Mark Wilberg
My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

* THE GOSPEL LESSON John 10:1-10 NT Pg. 103
Jesus says, “I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me.”

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CHILDREN’S MOMENTS Rev. Kyle
My Sheep Hear My Voice

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
Our Gate

~ **WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD** ~

* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 2214 (TFWS) Lead Me, Guide Me
Lead Me, Guide Me

THE PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERTORY Domenico Zipoli
Verso in G Minor

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Jester Hairston
I Want Jesus
Lila Myers, soprano

* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 94

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

* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 671 CWM Rhondda
Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

* 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 honor of Sarah Staub for her birthday, May 9
with love, Matt and Margaret.



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.

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.

We wish to invite you to contact one of our staff members if you would like more information about FUMC:

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Serving This Sunday, May 7

Altar Guild: Jeannie Dusenbury, Libby Jones, Betty Woodward
Acolytes and Crucifer: Lila Myers, Chad Steinfield, Cooper Thomas
Counting Committee: Sallie Goldfinch, Sarah Staub
Trustee Duty: Anna Barnhill, Kent Bitting
Bus Duty: David Jordan
Children's Church: William and Jill Nelson
Sound Technicians: Lee Hickman, Charles Hucks
Ushers: Mike Thomas (Chairman) Bill Foxworth, David Jordan, Tom Overby, Justin Powell, Carl Purvis, Justin Roof, Mike Saville, Bob Sherry, Bob Wiley

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, May 7

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary
5:30 p.m. UMYF / Family Life Center (FLC)

Monday, May 8

7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts / FLC

Tuesday, May 9

8:00 a.m. Peoples Underwriters / FLC
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Rooms 117 & 120
9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting / Room 214
6:00 p.m. Cocaine Anonymous (CA) Meeting / FLC
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts / FLC
7:00 p.m. UMW Executive Meeting / Parlor
8:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting / FLC Senior Room

Wednesday, May 10

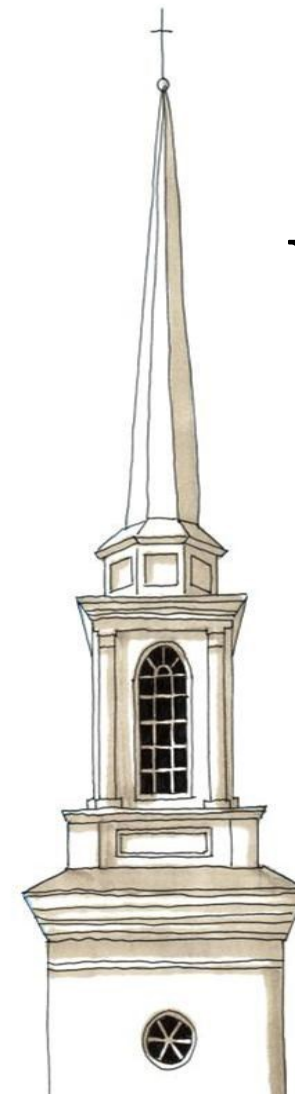
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Rooms 117 & 120
3:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Program / FLC
4:30 p.m. Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
5:00 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
5:05 p.m. Youth Handbells Rehearsal / Handbell Room 205
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal / Fellowship Hall
6:15 p.m. Death and Resurrection of the Messiah / Room 216
6:15 p.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Handbell Room 205
7:00 p.m. Sonshine "Sunday" School Class / Parlor

Thursday, May 11

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Rooms 117 & 120
6:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting / Commons

Friday, May 12

7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC



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Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 7, 2017
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.