

First Church at Worship

THE OPENING VOLUNTARY

Barbara Kinyon

Praise the Lord, His Glories Show
Carillon Choir

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE 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!

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 88

Diademata

Maker, in Whom We Live

* THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

~ WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD ~

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 9:36-43

³⁶Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. ³⁷At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. ³⁸Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." ³⁹So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. ⁴⁰Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. ⁴¹He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. ⁴²This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. ⁴³Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

This is the word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALTER

Psalms 23

Land of Rest

**The Lord's my shepherd, all my need
Through him will be supplied;
By quiet streams and through green fields
The Lord will be my guide.**

**The Lord revives me, guides my feet
On pathways that are right,
And I shall fear no evil though
I walk through darkest hour.**

**Your rod and staff, they comfort me;
In presence of my foes
You feed me; you anoint my head
And my cup overflows.**

**Your goodness and your mercy,
Lord, shall surely follow me,
And I will dwell in God's own house
For all eternity.**

THE SECOND LESSON

Revelation 7:9-17

⁹After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. ¹⁰They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

¹¹And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might

be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

¹⁶They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;

¹⁷for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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Thanks be to God.

* THE SEQUENCE HYMN No. 381

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
vs. 1-2

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* THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 10:22-30

²²At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, ²³and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. ²⁴So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." ²⁵Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; ²⁶but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. ²⁷My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. ²⁸I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. ²⁹What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. ³⁰The Father and I are one."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

* THE SEQUENCE HYMN No. 381

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
vs. 3-4

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CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Mr. Josh

SERMON

Rev. Kyle Randle

~ WE RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL ~

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want

Carl Mueller

* PRESENTATION OF THE TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Doxology No. 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THANKSGIVING FOR OUR BAPTISM

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

In the waters of baptism,
we have passed over from death to life with Jesus Christ,
and we are a new creation.
For this saving mystery, and for this water, let us bless God,
who was, who is, and who is to come.

We thank you, God, for your river of life,
flowing freely from your throne:
through the earth,
through the city,
through every living thing.

You rescued Noah and his family from the flood;
You opened wide the sea for the Israelites.
Now in these waters you flood us with mercy,
and our sin is drowned forever.

You open the gate of righteousness
and we pass safely through.

In Jesus Christ, you calm and trouble the waters.

You nourish us and enclose us in safety.

You call us forth and send us out.

In lush and barren places, you are with us.

You have become our salvation.

Now breathe upon this water
and awaken your church once more.

Claim us again as your beloved and holy people.

Quench our thirst; cleanse our hearts; wipe away every tear.

To you, our Beginning and our End,

our Shepherd and Lamb,

be honor, glory, praise, and thanksgiving,

now and forever. **Amen.**

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostle's 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.**

* THE GLORIA PATRI No. 70

Meineke

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

* HYMN OF SENDING No. 304

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

Regent Square

* BENEDICTION

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Toccata in G

Theodore Dubois

* Congregation Standing

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in loving memory of

Philip A. Thompson, Margaret P. Thompson, and Frank A. Thompson, II
by Phil and Pat Thompson and Family.

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, May 8

Mother's Day

9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM

9:30 a.m. Sunday School / Education Building

10:30 a.m. Morning Worship Service / Sanctuary

Monday, May 9

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing

12:00 p.m. The Way of Love Study / FLC Room 102

6:00 p.m. SPRC Meeting / Parlor

6:30 p.m. Quintet Rehearsal / Choir Room 105

6:30 p.m. NA Meeting / FLC Room 102

Tuesday, May 10

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing

6:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC Room 102

6:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting / Commons

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

8:00 p.m. AA Meeting / FLC Room 102

8:00 p.m. Al Anon Meeting / FLC Room 101

Wednesday, May 11

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing

3:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Activities / Education Wing

3:45 p.m. Youth Hangout / FLC Room 104

4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class / FLC Room 103

4:45 p.m. Chime Choir Rehearsal / Second Floor Commons

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

6:00 p.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Second Floor Commons

6:15 p.m. Adult Bible Study / Room 216

7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105

Thursday, May 12

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing

4:30 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105

5:00 p.m. Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105

6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts Meeting / FLC Room 103

6:30 p.m. NA Meeting / FLC Room 102

Friday, May 13

7:00 a.m. Youth Prayer Breakfast / FLC Gathering Room

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing

12:15 p.m. NA Meeting / FLC Room 102

6:30 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC Room 102

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

May 8, 2022

10:30 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.