

We Gather to Worship God

As we continue to celebrate the fifty days of Easter, today's gospel includes Jesus' promise that he goes to prepare a place for his followers in his father's house. Our baptism commissions us to share Jesus' mission in the world. As Peter reminds us, we are a holy people, called to proclaim the one who called us out of darkness into light. In words and deeds we bear witness to the risen Christ—our way, our truth, our life.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY Michael Bedford
At the Name of Jesus

INTROIT

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 545 Aurelia
The Church's One Foundation

* 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 thanks for the life of all the baptized,
for all who gather here;
for godparents, children, and grandchildren,
for those newly baptized this year and those who await,
for our brothers and sisters in Christ
whom we have never seen but to whom we are bound.
We give you thanks for the life of all the baptized.*

*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 7:55-60 NT Pg. 126

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

THE ACT OF PRAISE Psalm 31:1-5 McKee

*I find my refuge, Lord, in you,
In justice set me free;
Save me from shame, Lord, hear my prayer,
Make haste, deliver me.*

*Be my strong rock, my castle, crag,
To keep my life from harm;
For your Name's sake, lead me, O Lord,
Guide me with your strong arm.*

*Lord, rescue me from secret snares,
You are my strength, my tower;
I place my spirit in your hands,
You save me by your power.*

THE SECOND LESSON I Peter 2:2-10 NT Pg. 23

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

ANTHEM Paul Koch

How Firm a Foundation

* THE GOSPEL LESSON John 14:1-14 NT Pgs. 108-109

Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth, and the life.
No one comes to the Father except through me."

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Rev. Kyle

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

I Can Because Jesus Is

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

* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 534 Finlandia
Be Still, My Soul

THE PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY Michael Burkhardt
Will You Come and Follow Me?

* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 94

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

* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 431 World Peace
Let There Be Peace on Earth

* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY Alexandre Guilmant
Grand Chorus

* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of all mothers and grandmothers celebrating Mother's Day. Also in honor of Paul Smink for his birthday which he shares with Mother's Day with love, Vicki Smink.

We welcome Darleen Smith as our guest organist this morning. Ms. Smith is a retired educator from Hagerstown, MD where she also served churches as organist and children's choir director. She is a member of the Grand Strand Chapter of American Guild of Organists.

Flowers for Mother's Day

Following worship today, you are invited to have a red or white carnation in honor of Mother's Day, located in the Narthex. We continue in the American tradition of handing out red or white carnations at church. Red is for those whose mother is living and white is for those whose mother has passed away.

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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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Danny.Clonts@fumconway.org (Accountant)
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Serving This Sunday, May 14

Altar Guild: Jeannie Dusenbury, Libby Jones, Betty Woodward
Acolytes and Crucifer: Erin Todd, Laurel Edwards, Annie Cecil
Counting Committee: Sallie Goldfinch, Sarah Staub
Trustee Duty: Anna Barnhill, Kent Bitting
Bus Duty: Jan Gawith
Children's Church: William and Robin Hardwick
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 14

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 15

Organ Tuning / Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting / FLC
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts / FLC

Tuesday, May 16

Organ Tuning / Sanctuary
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
8:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting / FLC Senior Room

Wednesday, May 17

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. Last 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 18

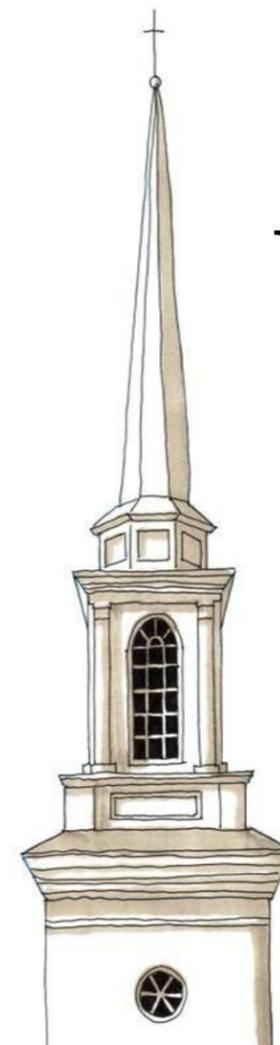
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Rooms 117 & 120

Friday, May 19

5:30 p.m. Hood/Jenkins Wedding Rehearsal / Sanctuary
7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC

Saturday, May 20

5:30 p.m. Hood/Jenkins Wedding / Sanctuary



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Fifth Sunday of Easter
May 14, 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.