

# First Church at Worship

*Pentecost is a day of promises fulfilled. The promised Spirit of God is poured out. The baptized have become “children of God” and “joint heirs with Christ.” By the power of the Spirit we have seen the face of the Father in his only begotten Son and been saved by him. Bless the Lord, O my soul.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

Paul McKlveen

*Gavotte*  
Carillon Choir

### INTROIT

### \* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

### \* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 547

Ellacombe

*O Church of God, United*

### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

*Holy Spirit, rain down on this place  
Let our souls drink your goodness  
Let our hearts overflow  
Holy Spirit, rain down on this place!*

### \* PRAYER OF THE DAY

*May we feel your presence this day, Holy Spirit, like the people gathered on that Day of Pentecost. May you rush into our hearts and inebriate our souls. May we be empowered by your Spirit to live a life more faithful to God. Amen.*

### \* PASSING OF THE PEACE

*Drums of war separate us, create fear and name enemies.  
But where the Spirit of the Lord is, our hearts beat to a different song of peace and hope — a song where enemies become friends, friends become brothers and even strangers become sisters.*

*Turn now to your family in Christ and share signs of the peace of the Holy Spirit.*

\*All may exchange signs of peace.

The passing of the peace is an invitation for the worshipping 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.”

### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

see insert

Piper Grace Gawith  
Kieran Rhys Gawith

## ~ We Listen for God’s Word ~

THE FIRST LESSON Acts 2:1-21 NT Pg. 119

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

ANTHEM Natalie Sleeth

*Go Ye into the World*  
Wesley Treble Choir  
Janet Lawrence, *clarinet*

THE SECOND LESSON Romans 8:14-17 NT Pg. 158

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

ANTHEM John Rutter

*I Will Sing with the Spirit*

\* THE GOSPEL LESSON John 14:8-17, 25-27 NT Pg. 109

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CHILDREN’S MOMENTS Rev. Kyle

*Happy Birthday Church!*

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

*Be Careful What You Wish For*

## ~ WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD ~

THE RITE OF CONFIRMATION No. 39

*Brothers and sisters in Christ: through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.*

*Through Confirmation, we renew the covenant declared at our baptism, acknowledge what God is doing for us, and affirm our commitment to Christ’s holy church.*

*I present Laurel Edwards, Piper Gawith, Nathan Nelson John Kelly Thompkins, and Jordan Von Herrmann for confirmation.*

RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

*On behalf of the whole church, I ask you:  
Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?  
I do.*

*Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?  
I do.*

*Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?  
I do.*

*According to the grace given to you, will you remain faithful members of Christ’s holy church and serve as Christ’s representatives in the world?  
I will.*

The pastor addresses the congregation.

*Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these youth now before you in your care?  
With God’s help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround them with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their service to others. We will pray for them that they may be true disciples who walk in the way that leads to life.*

### CONFIRMATION

*Remember your baptism and be thankful. Amen.*

*The Holy Spirit work within you, that having been born through water and the Spirit, you may live as a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. Amen.*

*As members of this congregation, will you faithfully participate in its ministries by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service and your witness?  
I will.*

The pastor addresses the congregation:

*Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.*

*We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love. As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.*

\* HYMN of RESPONSE No. 2123 (TFWS) Kingdom  
*Loving Spirit*

### PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER

OFFERTORY Gerald Near  
*Come, Holy Spirit, Come*

\* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

## ~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

\* HYMN OF SENDING No. 2241 (TFWS) Land of Rest  
*The Spirit Sings Us Forth to Serve*

### \* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

### \* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY Paul Manz  
*Voluntary on CWM Rhondda*

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of my lovely wife, Janet, for your birthday. It seems you get younger every year, by Blake Martin

We welcome James Canty to our Worship this morning. Mr. Canty is Principal Trumpet for the Florence Symphony

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#### 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 WORSHIPING 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.

#### My Sermon Notes

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#### Prayer Concerns

**Assisted Living Facilities: MedStar:** Betty James, Wanda Klein; **Agape:** Mary Hucks, **Brookdale:** Bobbie Davis; **Conway Manor:** Edith Lewis; **Martinez, GA:** Helen Wakefield; **Mt. Prospect, IL:** Faye Perrault

**At Home:** Ross Edwards, Don and Bonita Smoak, Irby Koon, Myron and Maxine Dunn, Eugenia Benton, Richard Jordan, Sylvia Avant, Betty Folks, Betty Jo Huggins, Mary T. Foxworth, Gwen Mishoe, Tommy Jordan, Irene Calhoun, Ruth Thomas, Ted Boyd.

#### Serving This Sunday, May 15

**Altar Guild:** Jeannie Dusenbury, Libby Jones, Betty Woodward

**Acolytes and Crucifer:** Erin Todd, Savannah Seremet, Emma Chanaca

**Spirit Kite:** Caroline Todd

**Counting Committee:** (Sunday) Debbie Jenkins, Spivey Hood (Monday) Karlene Rudolph / Nancy Stiltner

**Trustee Duty:** Justin Roof, Mike Thomas

**Bus Duty:** Duc Watts

**Sound Technicians:** Lee Hickman, Charles Hucks

**Ushers:** Mike Thomas (Chairman), Carl Purvis (Co-Chairman) Bill Foxworth, David Jordan, Tom Overby, Justin Roof, Mike Saville, Bob Sherry, Bob Wiley

#### This Week at FUMC

##### Sunday, May 15

9:00 a.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary  
9:30 a.m. Confirmation Rehearsal / Sanctuary  
9:30 a.m. Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast 94.9 FM  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary  
5:30 p.m. UMYF Party / The Whitten's Home

##### Monday, May 16

7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts / FLC

##### Tuesday, May 17

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Room 120  
7:00 p.m. Cocaine Anonymous (CA) / FLC  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts / Fellowship Hall  
8:00 p.m. The Rock vs. FUMC / Conway Rec. Center Field A

##### Wednesday, May 18

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Room 120  
8:30 a.m. Organ Tuning / Sanctuary  
3:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Pool Party / Conway Rec. Center  
5:30 p.m. Hot Dogs and Hamburgers Cook-out / FLC  
6:15 p.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Rm. 205  
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Rm. 105

##### Thursday, May 19

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Room 120  
6:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting / Commons  
7:00 p.m. Church of God vs. FUMC / Conway Rec. Center Field A

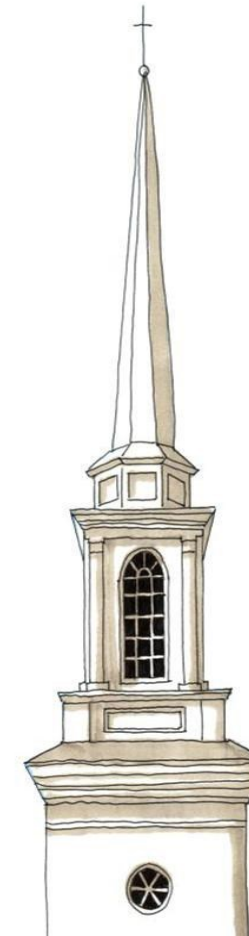
##### Friday, May 20

7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC

##### Saturday, May 21

UMW/Missions Committee Yard Sale / Fellowship Hall

(Conway Recreation Center, 1515 Millpond Road)



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Pentecost Sunday  
May 15, 2016  
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.