

FIRST CHURCH AT WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY *Be Still My Soul* Jean Sibelius
Melinda Hyman, piano; Kim Carey, flute

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 62 *Lasst Uns Erfreuen*
All Creatures of Our God and King (Sts. 1-5)

* THE 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!

* THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

Joined in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, O Living One, for you have created all, and you water the earth abundantly. Oceans and aquifers praise you. Rivers and streams bless you. All life is sustained by you, our Source.

We praise you for Christ, the firstborn from the dead, who frees us from sin and raises us up to new life. Here at this font we touch the river of the water of life flowing through the city of God. Here, death is washed away forever. Here, we are grafted into the tree of life, with leaves for the healing of the world.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on this congregation, into this community, and throughout all creation. Cleanse us from our fears and drown our divisions. Grant that all may drink of your mercy and peace, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

* HYMN OF THE DAY No. 2008 *The Ash Grove*
Let All Things Now Living

* PRAYER OF THE DAY

~ PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE ~

THE FIRST LESSON Acts 11:1-18

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. ²So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, ³saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" ⁴Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ⁵"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. ⁶As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. ⁷I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' ⁸But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane

or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' ⁹But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' ¹⁰This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. ¹¹At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. ¹²The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ¹³He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; ¹⁴he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' ¹⁵And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. ¹⁶And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" ¹⁸When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALTER Psalm 148 *Azmon*

**Hallelujah! Give praise to God
From heav'ns and in the heights;
Praise him all angels, sun and moon,
Praise him all shining lights.**

**Praise him, high heavens and floods above
Let them all praise his name;
For he commanded by his word,
He spoke and forth they came.**

**He gave them being, they stand fast
In his eternal sway;
The Lord has given them a law
Which shall not pass away.**

THE SECOND LESSON Revelation 21:1-6

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them as their God;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away."

⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." ⁶Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

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ANTHEM *Alleluia! Give Thanks* Hal Hopson

* THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION No. 2043 *Celtic Alleluia*
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

* THE GOSPEL LESSON John 13:31-35

³¹When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. ³²If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. ³³Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' ³⁴I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. ³⁵By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

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CHILDREN'S MOMENT Mr. Josh

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 *Resurrection Project* Rev. Kyle Randle

* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 605 *Beach Spring*
Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters

CONFIRMATION AND RECEPTION INTO MEMBERSHIP IN THE CHURCH *see insert*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY *Meditation* John Behnke

* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

* HYMN OF SENDING No. 384 *Beecher*
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

* BENEDICTION

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY Michael Burkhardt
At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are to the glory of God and in memory of Helen's parents, Albert and Helen Friebel, lovingly given by Bill and Helen Schriber

We welcome **Darleen Smith** as our guest organist this morning. Ms. Smith is a retired educator from Maryland, a member of the Grand Strand Chapter of American Guild of Organists, and serves many area churches as substitute organist.

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.

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This Week at FUMC

Sunday, May 19

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

Monday, May 20

8:30 a.m.	Preschool / Education Wing
7:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts / FLC Room 102

Tuesday, May 21

8:30 a.m.	Preschool / Education Wing
10:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting / Room 213
11:45 a.m.	Seniors Lunch Bunch / Leaving the FLC / The Shine Café
6:00 p.m.	CA Meeting / FLC Room 102
6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts / FLC Room 104
8:00 p.m.	AA Meeting / FLC Room 102
8:00 p.m.	Al-Anon Meeting / FLC Room 101

Wednesday, May 22

8:30 a.m.	Preschool / Education Wing
3:00 p.m.	Wonderful Wednesday Activities / Collins Park
4:00 p.m.	Church Workday / Meet in the Commons
5:30 p.m.	Wednesday Evening Meal / Family Life Center
6:15 p.m.	Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105

Thursday, May 23

7:00 a.m.	Youth Prayer Breakfast / Chick-Fil-A
8:30 a.m.	Preschool / Education Wing
6:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts / FLC

Friday, May 24

8:30 a.m.	Preschool / Education Wing
7:00 p.m.	CA Meeting / FLC

Silent Auction Items

United Methodist Women and Missions Committee

Auction Items are on display in the Commons area.
Bidding will remain open until June 2nd.
All donations will go toward missions.

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Fifth Sunday after Easter

May 19, 2019

10:30 a.m.

Confirmation Class

Emma Claire Chanaca

Jordan Pressley Courtney *

Walon Jacob Cox

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Caleb James Komarowski

Anna Kate Nelson

Leighton Alexander Petkovsek

Jonas Cyrus Randle

Anna Claire Roof

Anthony Chad Steinfield

* Honorary Certificate

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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.