

# *We Gather to Worship God*

*God hears every prayer—the prayer of the outsider as well as the prayer of the insider. The attentive nature of our God is evident as God comes to us again and again in the word. “Ascribe to the Lord the honor due the holy name; bring offerings and enter the courts for the Lord.” Do it today.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY Johann Walther  
*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

## INTROIT

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 422 Azmon  
*Jesus, Thine All-Victorious Love*

## CALL TO WORSHIP

*We come in reverent awe before the Lord our God—  
for great is the Lord!*

***We come, to join with all creation  
in singing new songs to the Lord our God.***

*We come in worship and praise—  
for the Lord God is worthy of our praise!*

***We come, to share together  
the news of our Glorious Lord’s saving deeds.***

*We come with songs and prayers—  
to give well-deserved glory to the Lord!*  
***We come, to bring our offerings of worship and praise  
to the Lord our God—  
whose holy splendor, honor and majesty  
shines forth from God’s presence.***

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Just and gracious God, we come to you for healing and life. Our sins  
hurt others and diminish us; we confess them to you. Our lives bear the  
scars of sin; we bring these also to you. Show us your mercy, O God.  
Bind up our wounds, forgive our sins, and free us to love, for the sake  
of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.*

*Jesus says to you, “Your sins are forgiven.” Be at peace, and tell  
everyone how much God has done for you. 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.”

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Julia McLendon and Charles Eason Drew  
children of Steven and Ashley Drew

*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.*

*I present Julia McLendon and Charles Eason Drew for baptism,*

## 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.*

*Will you nurture these children in Christ’s holy church, that through your teaching  
and example they may be guided to accept God’s grace for themselves, to profess  
their faith openly, and to lead a Christian life?*

*We will.*

Leader Address the Congregation

*Do you, as Christ’s body, the church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your  
commitment to Christ?*

***We do.***

*Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these  
children 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 Julia and Charles 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.***

*Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of  
the Old and New Testaments.*

*Do you believe in God the Father?*

***I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.***

*Do you believe in Jesus Christ?*

***I believe 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, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.***

*Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?*

***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.***

*The Lord be with you.*

***And also with you.***

*Eternal Father: When nothing existed but chaos, you swept across the dark  
waters and brought forth light. In the days of Noah you saved those on the  
ark through water. After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow.*

*When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt, you led them to freedom  
through the sea. Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land  
which you promised.*

***Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of God’s mercy each day.***

*In the fullness of time you sent Jesus, nurtured in the water of a womb. He was  
baptized by John and anointed by your spirit. He called his disciples to share  
in the baptism of his death and resurrection and to make disciples of all  
nations.*

***Declare his works to the nations, his glory among all the people.***

*Pour out your Holy Spirit, to bless this gift of water and those who receives it,  
to wash away their sin and clothe them in righteousness throughout their life,  
that, dying and being raised with Christ, they may share in his final victory.*

***All praise to you, Eternal Father, through your Son Jesus Christ, who with  
you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns for ever. Amen.***

BAPTISMAL HYMN No. 2051 (TFWS)

*Waterlife*

*I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry*

*Julia McLendon Drew/Charles Eason Drew, I baptize you in the name of the  
Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

*The Holy Spirit works within you, that being born through water and the Spirit,  
you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. Amen.*

*Now it is our joy to welcome our new sister and brother in Christ.*

***Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God’s new  
creation and made to share in Christ’s royal priesthood. We are all one  
in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as members  
of the family of Christ.***

~ WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD ~

THE FIRST LESSON I Kings 18:20-39 OT Pg. 325

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

THE SECOND LESSON Galatians 1:1-12 NT Pg. 187

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

ANTHEM Bob Burroughs

*How Can I Keep from Singing*

\* THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 7:1-10 NT Pg. 65

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Rev. Kyle

*Far Away, but Close*

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

*Included, not Excluded*

~ WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD ~

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 500 *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart* Morecambe

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY *Blessed Jesus at Thy Word* Walther

\* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 94  
~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

\* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 430 *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee* Maryton

\* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Fugue in D* Dietrich Buxtehude

\* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God  
and in honor and memory of all Veterans,  
by the Emma Thompson Class

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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.

**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:** 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 Next Sunday, May 29**

**Altar Guild:** Jeannie Dusenbury, Libby Jones, Betty Woodward  
**Acolytes and Crucifer:** Jacob Johnson, Ben Chanaca, Cooper Thomas  
**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 29**

Graduate Sunday  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Breakfast for Graduates / FLC  
10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast 94.9 FM  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary

**Monday, May 30**

Church Office is closed in observance of Memorial Day  
7:00 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting / FLC

**Tuesday, May 31**

6:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC  
6:30 p.m. Boy Scout Meeting / Fellowship Hall  
8:00 p.m. The Rock vs. First United Methodist Church / Field C

**Wednesday, June 1**

6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Rm. 105

**Thursday, June 2**

7:00 p.m. Conway Church of God vs. First Church

**Friday, June 3**

7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC

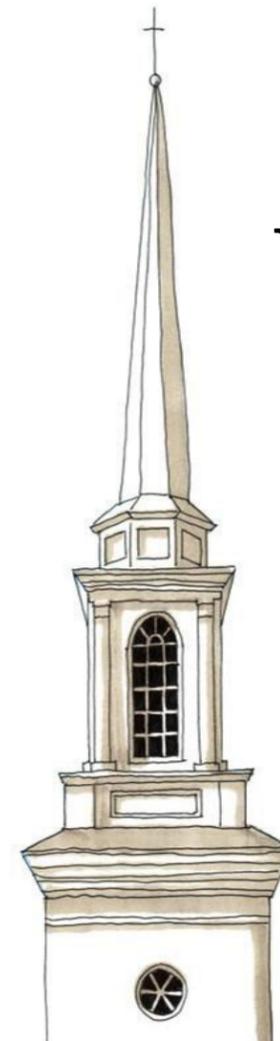
**SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Sunday School @ 9:30  
Worship @ 10:30

For the months of JUNE, JULY and AUGUST!  
Please adjust your clock alarms and schedules.



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Second Sunday after Pentecost  
Graduate Sunday  
May 29, 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.