

First Church at Worship

THE OPENING VOLUNTARY (8:15)

If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee
(10:30) *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*
Asbury Ringers Ensemble

George Bohm

G. Hamilton

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE GREETING

The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The risen Christ is with us.

Praise the Lord!

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 126

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above
vs. 1-2, & 4

Mit Freuden Zart

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.

With healing balm my soul is filled and every faithless murmur stilled:
To God all praise and glory.

The Lord is never far away, but through all grief distressing,
an ever present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing.
As with a mother's tender hand, God gently leads the chosen band:
To God all praise and glory.

Let all who name Christ's holy name give God all praise and glory;
let all who own his power proclaim aloud the wondrous story!
Cast each false idol from its throne, for Christ is Lord, and Christ alone:
To God all praise and glory.

* THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

RECOGNITION AND BLESSING OF THE 2021 GRADUATES

~ WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD ~

THE FIRST LESSON

I Samuel 8:4-20 (11:14-15)

⁴All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, ⁵and said to him, "You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations." ⁶But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, "Give us a king to govern us." Samuel prayed to the LORD, ⁷and the LORD said to Samuel, "Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. ⁸Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. ⁹Now then, listen to their voice; only—you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them."

¹⁰So Samuel reported all the words of the LORD to the people who were asking him for a king. ¹¹He said, "These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots; [¹²and he will appoint for himself commanders of thousands and commanders of fifties, and some to plow his ground and to reap his harvest, and to make his implements of war and the equipment of his chariots. ¹³He will take your daughters to be perfumers and cooks and bakers. ¹⁴He will take the best of

your fields and vineyards and olive orchards and give them to his courtiers. ¹⁵He will take one-tenth of your grain and of your vineyards and give it to his officers and his courtiers.] ¹⁶He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. ¹⁷He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. ¹⁸And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the LORD will not answer you in that day."

¹⁹But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, "No! but we are determined to have a king over us, ²⁰so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles." [¹⁴Samuel said to the people, "Come, let us go to Gilgal and there renew the kingship." ¹⁵So all the people went to Gilgal, and there they made Saul king before the LORD in Gilgal. There they sacrificed offerings of well-being before the LORD, and there Saul and all the Israelites rejoiced greatly.]

This is the word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALTER

Psalm 138

Truro

**I will give thanks with my whole heart,
Before the gods my praise express;
I will bow down before your throne
And praise your love and faithfulness.**

**Above all things, O Lord my God,
You glorified your Name and word;
I called and then you answered me
And gave me increased strength, O Lord.**

**The Lord's right hand shall save my life
And make his purpose for me sure;
Do not forsake what you have made;
Your love forever will endure.**

THE SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

¹³Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, ¹⁴because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, ¹⁸because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

^{5:1}For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

* SEQUENCE HYMN No. 452 *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

Olivet

My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary,
Savior divine! Now hear me
while I pray, take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day be wholly thine!

* THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 3:20-35

[Jesus went home;] ²⁰and the crowd came together again, so that [Jesus and the disciples] could not even eat. ²¹When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his

mind." ²²And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." ²³And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. ²⁷But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

²⁸"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; ²⁹but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"—³⁰for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

³¹Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. ³²A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." ³³And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" ³⁴And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

SEQUENCE HYMN No. 452

Olivet

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

May thy rich grace impart strength to my fainting heart,
my zeal inspire! As thou hast
died for me, O may my love to thee
pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Mr. Josh

SERMON

Rev. Kyle Randle

~ WE RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL ~

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
the God of manna,
the God of miracles,
the God of mercy. **Amen.**

Drawn to Christ and seeking God's abundance,
let us confess our sin.

God, our provider,

help us.

It is hard to believe there is enough to share.

**We question your ways when they differ from the ways
of the world in which we live.**

**We turn to our own understanding
rather than trusting in you.**

We take offense at your teachings and your ways.

Turn us again to you.

Where else can we turn?

**Share with us the words of eternal life
and feed us for life in the world. 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

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

~ **THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION** ~

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

see insert

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

* HYMN OF SENDING No. 2234

Lancashire

Lead On, O Cloud of Presence

Lead on, O cloud of Presence, the exodus is come,
in wilderness and desert our tribe shall make its home.
Our slavery left behind us, new hopes within us grow.
We seek the land of promise where milk and honey flow

Lead on, O fiery Pillar, we follow yet with fears,
but we shall come rejoicing through joy be born of tears.
We are not lost, though wandering, for by your light we come,
and we are still God's people. The journey is our home.

Lead on, O God of freedom, and guide us on our way,
and help us trust the promise through struggle and delay.
We pray our sons and daughters may journey to that land
where justice dwells with mercy, and love is law's demand.

* BENEDICTION

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Chaconne

Louis Couperin

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and to celebrate with Dick and Lois Sayre their 59th Anniversary!

* As a reminder the 10:30 service is live-streamed. We ask worshippers to remain standing in their pews throughout the Closing Voluntary and exit afterwards. This limits distractions until worship and filming is complete.

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, June 6

8:15 a.m. Early Morning Worship / Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class/ Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM
9:30 a.m. Graduates Breakfast / Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m. Methodism 101 Study / FLC Room 101
9:30 a.m. Sunday School: All Ages / Education Wing
9:30 a.m. Online Sunday School / Live on Facebook
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary & Online
3:30 p.m. Concert: James Canty and Friends / Sanctuary
5:30 p.m. UMYF and Bridge / Family Life Center (FLC)

Monday, June 7

10:30 a.m. UMW Circles Meeting / FLC Room 101
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts Meeting / FLC Room 104

Tuesday, June 8

5:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting / Commons
6:00 p.m. CA Group / FLC Room 102
6:00 p.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Room 205
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts Meeting / FLC
6:45 p.m. FUMC Quintet Rehearsal / Room 105
8:00 p.m. AI Anon Meeting / FLC Room 101
8:00 p.m. AA Meeting / FLC Room 102

Wednesday, June 9

9:00 a.m. Sandwich Ministry / FLC
10:00 a.m. UMW Exe. Meeting / FLC 101
6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Room 105

Thursday, June 10

8:00 a.m. Peoples Underwriters / FLC Room 102
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts Meeting / FLC Room 104

Friday, June 11

7:00 a.m. Youth Breakfast / FLC
6:30 p.m. CA Group / FLC Room 102

Serving This Sunday, June 6

Altar Guild: Pam Frye, JoAnn Smith, Beth Wiley

Acolytes and Crucifer: Ann Kate Nelson, Sara Randle

Ushers: Jimmy Hammond (Head Usher), Kelly Cooper, Zack Dusenbury, Kevin Hagen, Morgan Martin, Charles Myers, Tyler Thomas, Ernie Turnes

Serving Next Sunday, June 13

Altar Guild: Pam Frye, JoAnn Smith, Beth Wiley

Acolytes and Crucifer: Chad Steinfield, Mac Goldfinch

Ushers: Jimmy Hammond (Head Usher), Kelly Cooper, Zack Dusenbury, Kevin Hagen, Morgan Martin, Charles Myers, Tyler Thomas, Ernie Turnes

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Graduating from Academy for Arts/Science/ Technology

Plans to attend Clemson University

Caleb James Komarowski

son of Michael and Adina Cavallini

Graduating from Carolina Forest High School

Plans to attend Horry Georgetown Technical College

Madison Elizabeth Mishoe

daughter of Jeff and Donna Mishoe

Graduating from Carolina Forest High School

Plans to attend Horry Georgetown Technical College/ Imaging

Savannah Rose Seremet

daughter of Heath Seremet

Graduating from Carolina Forest High School

Plans to attend Coastal Carolina University



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A.A.S. Construction Management

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