

# We Gather to Worship God

Summer often brings vacations, travels, and opportunities to step out of the busyness of our daily lives. This service progresses through the stages of many journeys. We visit with family and friends, encounter new places and experiences, and enjoy rest and relaxation. Whatever our travels of life, God remains our steadfast guide.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY Gerald Near  
*Holy Trinity of Blessed Light*

## INTROIT

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 64 Nicea  
*Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty*

\* GREETING

*The God who created time and space, journeys with us in human form, and travels with us still, be with you all.  
And also with you.*

## PRAYER

*O God, our beginning and our end, you kept Abraham and Sarah in safety throughout the days of their pilgrimage, you led the children of Israel through the midst of the sea, and by a star you led the magi to the infant Jesus. Protect and guide us when we travel. Make our ways safe and our homecomings joyful, and bring us at last to our heavenly home, where you dwell in glory with our Lord Jesus Christ and the life giving Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

READING Ephesians 6:10-17 NT Pg. 195  
*Put on the armor of God*

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

## PLANS AND PREPARATION

## DIALOGUE AND PRAYER

*What should we pack as we begin our journey?  
What should we bring along?  
The word of God to illumine our path.  
The light of Christ to show us the way.  
The gifts of the Spirit to share with those we meet.  
The love of God to be our compass and guide.*

*Let us pray. God of our salvation,  
you are the source of all our beginnings.  
As we plan for our journeys,  
strengthen us through your word.*

*Orient our lives toward Christ,  
the bright Morning Star.  
Send your Holy Spirit as our companion along the way.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

\*HYMN No. 127 CWM Rhondda  
*Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

## SETTING OUT

READING Genesis 12:1-9 OT Pg. 10  
*God calls Abraham and sends him out*

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

## DIALOGUE AND PRAYER

*God called to Abraham:  
"Go! Set out! And I will bless you."  
God calls to us:  
"Come! Feel the water on your head!"  
Hear the promise of new life.  
"Spread my word through all the world."*

*Let us pray. God of beginnings,  
you called Abraham and Sarah,  
leading them to unknown places.  
In the waters of baptism, you claim us  
and shower us with your Spirit,  
so that we journey into the world  
overflowing with your love.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen*

\* HYMN No. 714 El Nathan  
*I know Whom I Have Believed*

## ON THE ROAD

READING Mark 1: 35-39 NT Pg. 35  
*Jesus travels and preaches throughout Galilee*

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

## DIALOGUE AND PRAYER

*On the Galilean road, Jesus stopped to think and pray.  
We, too, long for a rest and a balm for our souls.  
Seeing those in need, Jesus healed, taught, and fed.  
We are called to live as servants,  
loving our neighbors as ourselves.  
Holding the children close, Jesus blessed them;  
for to such as these the kingdom of heaven belongs  
On the road to Bethlehem  
the true light came into the world.  
And the Word became flesh and lived among us,  
and we have seen his glory*

*Let us pray. God of incarnation,  
you entered our world as a tiny baby  
and you journey with  
through each stage of our lives. Amen.*

*Be with our children and youth  
who are growing in your love.  
Guide us all as the years and decades pass.  
Send us in the light of your grace and truth.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

\* HYMN No. 569 We've a Story to Tell Message

## WHEN THE WAY BECOMES HARD

READING I Kings 19:1-8 OT Pg. 326  
*Elijah in the wilderness*

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

## DIALOGUE AND PRAYER

*We sit alone like Elijah in the wilderness.  
"It is enough, O Lord."  
The troubles of life overwhelm our spirits.  
"It is enough, O Lord."  
The way seems too dark; the valleys, too deep.  
"It is enough, O Lord."  
God rescues us from despair and grants us strength.  
"You are beloved, my precious child."*

*Let us pray. God of our sorrows,  
when we grieve a loved one, face an illness, or lose a job,  
the road seems long, lonely, and treacherous.  
Comfort us in our despair,  
guide us through the wilderness,  
and enfold us in your loving embrace.  
Grant your mercy and peace  
to all those in need this day.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

\* HYMN No. 553 And Are We Yet Alive Dennis

## JOYFUL HOMECOMINGS

READING Philippians 3:12-4:1 NT Pgs. 201-202  
*Pressing toward the heavenly goal*

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

## DIALOGUE AND PRAYER

*"Do not let your hearts be troubled."  
We believe in God. We believe in Christ.  
"I go to prepare a dwelling place for you."  
You are the way, the truth, and the life.  
"As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you."  
Lord, we abide in your love.  
"You know the way to the place where I am going."  
Jesus, lead us in the path of your peace.*

*Let us pray. God of resurrection,  
neither death nor life will separate us from your love.  
Walk with us when our journeys lead toward home.  
Strengthen us to follow the way of the cross  
and bring us at last  
into the joy of your heavenly kingdom.  
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

\* HYMN No. 724 *Promised Land*

*On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand*

REFLECTION Rev. Kyle Randle

\* HYMN No. 206 *Houston*

*I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

*God of the journey,  
Hear our prayers.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM John Bell

*Journey Prayers*  
Lee Hickman, string bass

\* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS No. 95

\* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 438 *Duke Street*

*Forth In Thy Name*

\* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY Johann Pachelbel

*Toccatina in E*

\* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of  
John Kelly Dorman, a loving father,  
and Jim Flament, a wonderful friend and neighbor  
by Margaret Ann and Johnny Vaught and Emily and John Kelly Thompkins.



**NOTES FOR WORSHIP**

Numbers by the hymns, Affirmation of Faith, Doxology, are from the United Methodist Hymnal 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.

**Serving This Sunday, June 15**

**Altar Guild:** Pam Frye, Jo Ann Smith, Helen White  
**Acolytes and Crucifer:** Laurel Edwards, Savannah Seremet, Erin Todd  
**Counting Committee:** (Sunday) Debbie Jenkins, Charles Dusenbury  
(Monday) Maxine Dunn and Margaret Thompson  
**Children's Church:** Mark and Jenny Chanaca  
**Trustee Duty:** Mike Thomas  
**Sound Technician:** Lee Hickman / Charles Hucks / Thomas Hickman  
**Ushers:** Hunter Jenkins (Chairman), Jimmy Hammond (Co-Chairman)  
Randy Bell, Kelly Cooper, Morgan Martin, Charles Myers, Bert Owen,  
Lavon Singleton, Ernie Turnes.

**This Week at FUMC**

**Sunday, June 15**

Salkehatchie Ft. Mill  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast 100.9 FM  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service / Sanctuary

**Monday, June 16**

Salkehatchie Ft. Mill  
10:00 a.m. Handbell Workshop: Grades 4-8 / Sanctuary  
5:30 p.m. TST Board Meeting / FLC  
6:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting / FLC  
6:30 p.m. Adult Handbell Workshop / Sanctuary

**Tuesday, June 17**

Salkehatchie Ft. Mill  
10:00 a.m. Handbell Workshop: Grades 4-8 / Sanctuary  
5:30 p.m. Journey Seekers feeding Rivertown Salkehatchie / Fellowship Hall  
6:30 p.m. Adult Handbell Workshop / Sanctuary

**Wednesday, June 18**

Salkehatchie Ft. Mill  
10:00 a.m. Handbell Workshop: Grades 4-8 / Sanctuary  
10:00 a.m. Wonderful Wednesday Summer Edition / Coastal Grande Theater  
6:30 p.m. Adult Handbell Workshop / Sanctuary

**Thursday, June 19**

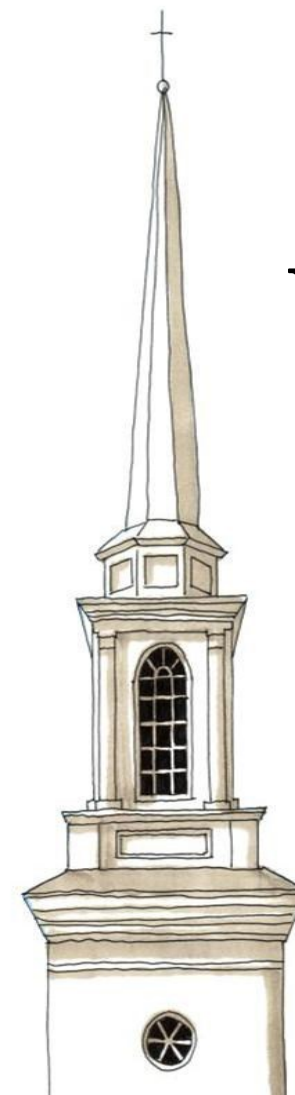
Salkehatchie Ft. Mill  
10:00 a.m. Handbell Workshop: Grades 4-8 / Sanctuary  
5:30 p.m. Dinner for Junaluska Singers / Fellowship Hall  
6:30 p.m. Doors open for concert  
7:30 p.m. Lake Junaluska Singers Concert / Sanctuary

**Friday, June 20**

Salkehatchie Ft. Mill

**Saturday, June 21**

Salkehatchie Ft. Mill (group returns)



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Trinity Sunday  
First Sunday After Pentecost

June 15, 2014  
11:00 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.