

# First Church at Worship

THE OPENING VOLUNTARY *Prelude in F* Johann Albrechtsberger

INTROIT

\* 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. 129

*Give to the Winds Thy Fears*

*Festal Song*

vs. 1, 3 & 4

Give to the winds thy fears; hope and be undismayed.  
God hears thy sighs and counts thy tears, God shall lift up thy head.

Leave to God's sovereign sway to choose and to command;  
so shalt thou, wondering, own that way, how wise, how strong this hand.

Let us in life, in death, thy steadfast truth declare,  
and publish with our latest breath thy love and guardian care.

\* THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

\* HYMN OF THE DAY No. 519

*Lift Every Voice*

*Lift Every Voice and Sing*

Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring,  
ring with the harmonies of liberty;  
let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies,  
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.  
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;  
facing the rising sun of our new day begun,  
let us march on till victory is won.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

*see insert*

~ **WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD** ~

THE FIRST LESSON

I Samuel 17:32-49

<sup>32</sup>David said to Saul, "Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine." <sup>33</sup>Saul said to David, "You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth." <sup>34</sup>But David said to Saul, "Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock, <sup>35</sup>I went after it and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it. <sup>36</sup>Your servant has killed both lions and bears; and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God." <sup>37</sup>David said, "The Lord, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine." So Saul said to David, "Go, and may the Lord be with you!" <sup>38</sup>Saul clothed David with his armor; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail. <sup>39</sup>David strapped Saul's sword over the armor, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them. Then David said to Saul, "I cannot walk with these; for I am not used to them." So David removed them. <sup>40</sup>Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five

smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd's bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine.

<sup>41</sup>The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. <sup>42</sup>When the Philistine looked and saw David, he disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. <sup>43</sup>The Philistine said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. <sup>44</sup>The Philistine said to David, "Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field." <sup>45</sup>But David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. <sup>46</sup>This very day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head; and I will give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, <sup>47</sup>and that all this assembly may know that the Lord does not save by sword and spear; for the battle is the Lord's and he will give you into our hand."

<sup>48</sup>When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. <sup>49</sup>David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground.

This is the word of God for the people of God

**Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER

Psalm 133

*Dennis*

**When brethren live in peace,  
At peace in unity,  
Behold how good a thing it is,  
A pleasant thing to see.**

**It is like fragrant oil  
Which glistens and runs down  
On head and beard, on Aaron's beard  
And collar of his gown.**

**It is like Hermons' dew  
That falls on Zion's hill,  
For there the Lord has promised life  
And gives his blessing still.**

THE SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

<sup>1</sup>As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. <sup>2</sup>For he says,

"At an acceptable time I have listened to you,  
and on a day of salvation I have helped you."

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! <sup>3</sup>We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, <sup>4</sup>but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, <sup>5</sup>beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; <sup>6</sup>by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, <sup>7</sup>truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; <sup>8</sup>in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; <sup>9</sup>as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; <sup>10</sup>as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

<sup>11</sup>We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. <sup>12</sup>There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. <sup>13</sup>In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

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

**Thanks be to God.**

\* SEQUENCE HYMN No. 529 *How Firm a Foundation*

*Foundation*

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,  
is laid for your faith in his excellent word!  
What more can he say than to you he hath said,  
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,  
for I am thy God and will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand  
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

\* THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 4:35-41

<sup>35</sup>When evening had come, [Jesus said to the disciples,] "Let us go across to the other side." <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>A great windstorm arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, "Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?" <sup>39</sup>He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace! Be still!" Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, "Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?" <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, "Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

\* THE SEQUENCE HYMN No. 529 *How Firm a Foundation*

*Foundation*

"When through deep waters I call thee to go,  
the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;  
for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,  
and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie,  
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply;  
the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design  
thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Mr. Josh

SERMON

Rev. Kyle Randle

~ **WE RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL** ~

ANTHEM

*The First Song of Isaiah*

Jack Noble White

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.**

Beloved people of God:  
in Jesus, the manna from heaven, you are fed and nourished.  
By Jesus, the worker of miracles, there is always more than enough.  
Through Jesus, † the bread of life, you are shown God's mercy:  
you are forgiven and loved into abundant life.  
**Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE  
Lord, in your mercy,  
**Hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER  
**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

\* HYMN OF SENDING No. 577 *CWM Rhondda*  
*God of Grace and God of Glory*  
*vs. 1, 3 & 4*

God of grace and God of glory, on the people pour thy power;  
crown thine ancient church's story, bring her bud to glorious flower.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
for the facing of this hour, for the facing of this hour.

Cure thy children's warring madness, bend our pride to thy control;  
shame our wanton, selfish gladness, rich in things and poor in soul.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
lest we miss thy kingdom's goal, lest we miss thy kingdom's goal.

Save us from weak resignation to the evils we deplore;  
let the search for thy salvation be our glory evermore.  
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,  
serving thee whom we adore, serving thee whom we adore.

\* BENEDICTION

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Trumpet Voluntary* John Stanley

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God  
and in memory of our fathers,  
Earl Kauffman and Edward Jordan,  
by Tom and Beth Jordan.

### This Week at FUMC

#### Sunday, May 20

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. Sunday School / Education Wing  
9:30 a.m. Youth Sunday School / Family Life Center (FLC) Room 103  
9:30 a.m. Online Sunday School / Live on Facebook  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary & Live Online

#### Monday, May 21

6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts Meeting / FLC Room 104

#### Tuesday, May 22

6:00 p.m. CA Group / FLC Room 102  
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts Meeting / FLC  
8:00 p.m. Al Anon Meeting / FLC Room 101  
8:00 p.m. AA Meeting / FLC Room 102

#### Wednesday, May 23

9:30 a.m. Sandwich Ministry / FLC  
6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Room 105  
7:00 p.m. Quintet Rehearsal / Room 105

#### Thursday, May 24

6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts Meeting / FLC Room 104

#### Friday, May 25

6:30 p.m. CA Group / FLC

With the "Fixing of the Appointments" by Bishop Jonathan Holston at the close of the 2021 SC Annual Conference, SPRC announces the reappointment of Rev. Kyle to First UMC, Conway.

#### **Serving This Sunday, June 20**

**Altar Guild:** Pam Frye, JoAnn Smith, Beth Wiley  
**Acolytes and Crucifer:** Jonas Randle, Dylan Roof  
**Ushers:** Jimmy Hammond (Head Usher), Kelly Cooper, Zack Dusenbury, Kevin Hagen, Morgan Martin, Charles Myers, Tyler Thomas, Ernie Turnes

#### **Serving Next Sunday, June 27**

**Altar Guild:** Pam Frye, JoAnn Smith, Beth Wiley  
**Acolytes and Crucifer:** Mac Goldfinch and Jackson Hagen  
**Ushers:** Jimmy Hammond (Head Usher), Kelly Cooper, Zack Dusenbury, Kevin Hagen, Morgan Martin, Charles Myers, Tyler Thomas, Ernie Turnes

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10:30 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.