

First Church at Worship

OPENING VOLUNTARY Alexander Scriabin
Prelude in G flat Major Op. 16, No. 3
Jessica Eaton, piano

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE GREETING

The love of God,
which is in Christ Jesus our Lord,
and the life of the Spirit
be with you all.
And also with you.

* THE HYMN OF THE DAY No. 116 *Leoni*
The God of Abraham Praise

* THE COLLECT

~ WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD ~

THE FIRST LESSON Genesis 22:1-14

After these things God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ²He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. ⁴On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." ⁶Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. ⁷Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

⁹When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ¹²He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." ¹³And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴So Abraham called that place "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

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

THE ACT OF PRAISE

Psalm 13

Gift of Love

**How long will you forget me, Lord?
How long will you conceal your face?
How long shall I be so perplexed?
How long shall I live in disgrace?**

**Look down and answer me, O God,
Give light, not darkness, to my eyes;
Let not my adversary say,
"I have prevailed; he will not rise."**

**But in your mercy, Lord, I trust,
And in your saving help rejoice;
The Lord has richly blessed my life
And in his praise I lift my voice.**

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 6:12-23

¹²Therefore, do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, ¹⁸and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

I Believe

Mark Miller

Katherine Brooks, Janet Lawrence, Melinda Hyman, Will Brown, Mark Rollins

* THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 10:40-42

⁴⁰"Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴²and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Mr. Josh

SERMON

Rev. Kyle D. Randle

~ WE RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL ~

* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 144

This Is My Father's World

Terra Beata

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Trusting in the mercy of God, let us confess our sin.

Reconciling God,
**we confess that we do not trust your abundance,
and we deny your presence in our lives.
We place our hope in ourselves
and rely on our own efforts.
We fail to believe that you provide enough for all.
We abuse your good creation for our own benefit.
We fear difference and do not welcome others
as you have welcomed us.
We sin in thought, word, and deed.
By your grace, forgive us;
through your love, renew us;
and in your Spirit, lead us;
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life. Amen.**

Beloved God,
by the radical abundance of divine mercy
we have peace with God through Christ Jesus,
through whom we have obtained grace upon grace.
Our sins are forgiven.
Let us live now in hope
because God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit. **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.**

* GLORIA PATRI No. 70

Meineke

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

OFFERTORY John Ness Beck
Lord, Here Am I
 ~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~
 * HYMN OF SENDING No. 427 Germany
Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life
 * BENEDICTION
 * CHIMING OF THE TRINITY
 * CLOSING VOLUNTARY David German
Festive Trumpet Tune
 * Congregation Standing

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God.

The rosebud on the altar is in celebration of the birth of Paxton Reed Dannelly, born June 19th to proud parents Travis and Kim. Congratulations to big sister, Addison, big brother, Maddox and to grandparents, Jess and Wendy Dannelly.

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Birthdays This Week

June 28: Emily McCumbee, Sue Miller
June 29: Charles Hucks
July 1: Nancy Purvis

Prayer Concerns: Sammy Johnson, Catherine Causey, Jim Mishoe, Phillip Thompson, Joann Wiegand, Bob Miller, Braelyn Philips, Val Dunham, **At Home:** Louise Goodwin, Woodie Woodward, Bobby Stilley, Ronny Thompkins, Sonya Martin, Julia Land, Bernice Stone, Virginia Buck, Sue Dusenbury, Janet Von Deck, Frank Stilley, George & Jan Kyzer, Frances Reaman, Virginia Hardwick, Sylvia Avant, Kathy Tuttle, Rebecca Howell, Eugenia Benton, Billy Joe Calhoun, Ruth Thomas, Ted Boyd.

STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 21

Operating Fund	2527.00	Sunday School Online	321+
Designated Giving	50.00	Worship Online	626+
Capital Campaign	557.00		

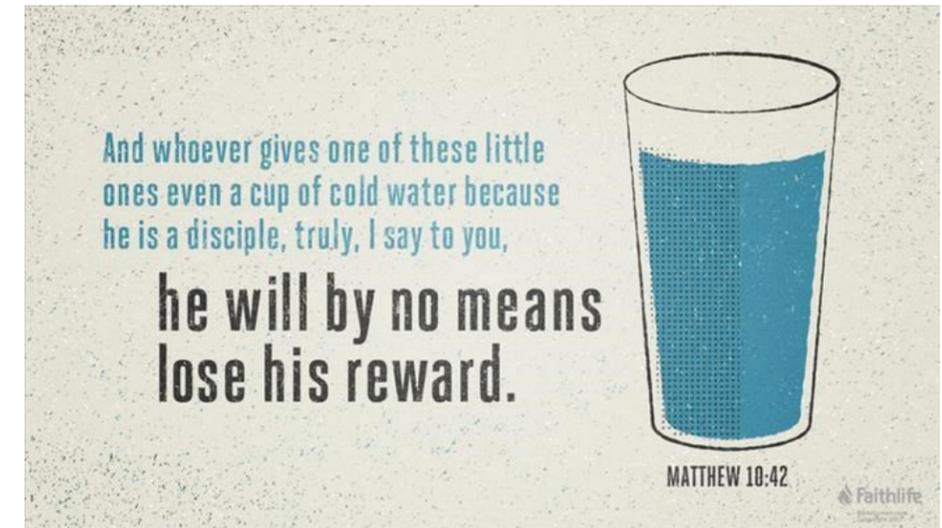
As the generous people of FUMC, we ask that you continue your giving via online <https://onrealm.org/fumconway/give/operatingfund>, Text **Firstconway** to **73256** or by mailing your offering to the church, 1001 Fifth Avenue, Conway, SC 29526. Our Promises to God are a vital part of continuing the mission and ministry that supports the community, staff leadership, and the total ministry of FUMC. **Your continued financial support is critical** in helping the church continue to be the church, especially in times like this.

For now, the staff continues to be present on the FUMC campus during the week. They are working very hard to ensure FUMC has the opportunity to respond to community mission needs as they occur, maintain the FUMC campus, and be available to you during this challenging time.

A heartfelt thank you to the entire First Church family for the many cards, phone calls, visits and prayers during Karlene's extended illness and passing to eternal life on June 9th. Her battle was long and difficult, but she fought the good fight and is with our Lord and Savior now. Karlene is united with her husband (Donald), sister (Nancy), parents (Karl and Irene) and many loved ones and friends. What a blessing it was to have so many friends, neighbors, caregivers and family attend that beautiful service at the church Karlene loved so much. Rev. Kyle, Billy and Josh did a wonderful job conducting the Service of Remembrance. Sincere appreciation is extended to the Bereavement Committee for the wonderful lunch after the service. Please keep Britt and the entire Rudolph family in your prayers.

"See how the lilies of the field grow..." Dear Church Family: During these anxious days I was reminded about the "lilies of the field that are here today and tomorrow thrown into the fire" or in my case the compost pile. I just tried to stretch my tomorrow as far as possible. I would see the flowers and the song "Seek Ye First" would come to mind. As things tend to do, this was a wonderful reminder to take it "one day at a time" when I personally really needed it. Thank you church family. *Love, Kathleen S. McCracken*

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Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2020
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.