

We Gather to Worship God

Jesus does great deeds of power and gives his disciples the authority over demons. Yet none of this power is unilateral; it all must be received by faith. Jesus asks his disciples to go out without money or supplies, so that they will be dependent on how others receive them. When we are sent from worship to witness and to heal, we are asked to be vulnerable, to be dependent on the reception of others. The Spirit operates in the between: between Jesus and his Father, between Jesus and us, between you and me, between us and those to whom we are sent.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY *Chromatic Fugue* Johann Pachelbel

INTROIT

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 584 *Austria*
Lord, You Give the Great Commission

* OPENING DIALOGUE

We have powerful hands and feet. Lord, what are you calling these hands and feet to do?

Our world needs God's healing touch and restoration. Wherever our journey goes, God is with us. Yes, we are seeking God's healing touch. We are being sent forth to do your will!

Today, we are asking God to send us unto this world two by two to witness holy boldness. With these hands and feet, God is healing hearts, transforming lives, renewing souls, raising us from death, and granting this new day!

Yes, we are seeking God's healing touch! Send forth a new witness of faith to all the world!

What is our call today? We will worship an awesome God who sends forth healing to a dark world.

Let us worship God this day as new life comes forth in the name of Jesus Christ!

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Trusting in God's promise of forgiveness,
let us confess our sin against God and one another.

(silence is kept for reflection)

Eternal God our creator,

in you we live and move and have our being.

Look upon us, your children,

the work of your hands.

Forgive us all our offenses,

and cleanse us from proud thoughts and empty desires.

By your grace draw us near to you,

our refuge and our strength;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Since we are justified by faith,
we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.
God's love has been poured into our hearts
through the Holy Spirit given to us.

Hear the good news:

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners;
that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven! Amen.

* THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

And also with you.

**All may exchange signs of peace.*

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

see insert

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

THE FIRST LESSON

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10

Then all the tribes of Israel came to David at Hebron, and said, 'Look, we are your bone and flesh. For some time, while Saul was king over us, it was you who led out Israel and brought it in. The Lord said to you: It is you who shall be shepherd of my people Israel, you who shall be ruler over Israel.' So all the elders of Israel came to the king at Hebron; and King David made a covenant with them at Hebron before the Lord, and they anointed David king over Israel. David was thirty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned for forty years. At Hebron he reigned over Judah for seven years and six months; and at Jerusalem he reigned over all Israel and Judah for thirty-three years. David occupied the stronghold, and named it the city of David. David built the city all around from the Millo inwards. And David became greater and greater, for the Lord, the God of hosts, was with him. This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 12:2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows. And I know that such a person—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows—was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given to me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

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ANTHEM

Lord, Here I Am

John Ness Beck

* THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 6:1-13

He left that place and came to his home town, and his disciples followed him. On the sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, 'Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?' And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, 'Prophets are not without honor, except in their home town, and among their own kin, and in their own house.' And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them, 'Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them.' So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

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CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Rev. Kyle

We're Going on a Picnic

*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 Randle

Courageous Vulnerability

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

* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 526

Converse

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Fantasia

* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Doxology No. 95

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

* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 568

Italian Hymn

Christ for the World We Sing

* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Paul Manz

Improvisations on CWM Rhondda

* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Margaret Briesch Reaman
by Bill and Frances Reaman.

WELCOME TO FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Newcomers and Guests

Welcome! We are grateful that you have chosen to worship with us today. We hope that you will receive a blessing from the service. If you don't already have a church home, it is our hope that you will consider letting First Church fill that need.

All worshipers are asked to sign the Attendance Pad at the end of each pew and pass it along to your neighbors. Rev. Randle will contact you later in the week.

We welcome children into our worship!

Children are part of the family of God. They learn how to worship God by seeing other people worship. Children are welcome in the church to worship with their parents or caregivers. We understand that sometimes it is hard to be present in worship with young children. If you choose, we have a nursery for infants and toddlers.

The Nursery is located on the first floor of the Education Wing in Rm. 118. Our nursery is staffed with paid professionals and loving volunteers. Parents are asked to sign in their children and check out a pager, so that we may contact you should the need arise during worship. An usher will direct you to the nursery.

Have a hard time hearing?

If you can't hear the service, please let an usher know. We have hearing assist devices which will help even the most hard of hearing to participate in the service!

A restroom is located in the Narthex, the Parlor, and the first floor of the Education Wing. Baby Changing Stations are located in the Nursery, Rm. 118.

In the hustle and bustle of getting ourselves ready for church, it is easy to forget to turn off our cell phones. We offer this gentle reminder to please turn cell phones off so that the worship service is not disrupted by them.

Serving This Sunday, July 8

Altar Guild: Lynn Hammond, Amy Hickman, Betty Huggins, Glenda Sweet, Kim Wright

Acolytes and Crucifer: Collin Hucks, Jonas Randle, Jackson Hagen

Bus Duty: Phil Davis

Children's Church: Mark and Jenny Chanaca

Counting Committee: Sallie Goldfinch, Lynn Hammond

Trustee Duty: Joe Hunter Hyman, Cathy Senn

Sound Technicians: Lee Hickman, Charles Hucks, Dave Carey

Ushers: Phil Thompson (Chairman), William Chappell, Danny Clonts, Travis Dannelly, Bo Ives, Sammy Johnson, Richard Jordan, Ken Senn, Frank Watts, Chris Wright

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, July 8

9:30 a.m. Sunday School

9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM

10:30 a.m. Worship Service / Sanctuary

Monday, July 9

8:30 a.m. Summer Camp / Education Wing

9:30 a.m. Handbell Camp Beginners / Room 211

Tuesday, July 10

8:00 .m. Peoples Underwriters / Family Life Center (FLC)

8:30 a.m. Summer Camp / Education Wing

6:00 p.m. Cocaine Anonymous (CA) / FLC

8:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting / FLC Senior Room

Wednesday, July 11

8:30 a.m. Summer Camp / Education Wing

9:30 a.m. Sandwich Making Wednesday / FLC

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

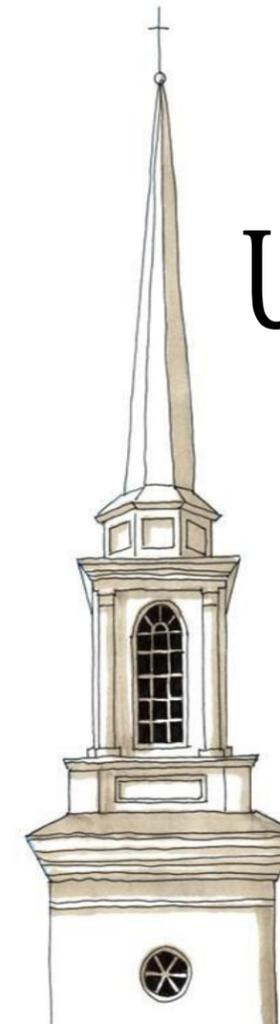
Thursday, July 12

8:30 a.m. Summer Camp / Education Wing

Friday, July 13

8:30 a.m. Summer Camp / Education Wing

7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC



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Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
July 8, 2018
10:30 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.