

# First Church at Worship

THE OPENING VOLUNTARY

*Gabriel's Oboe*

Ennio Morricone

\* 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. 139

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*  
*vs, 1, 3, & 5*

*Lobe den Herren*

Praise to the Lord,  
the Almighty, the King of creation.  
O my soul, praise him,  
for he is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear,  
now to his temple draw near;  
join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord,  
who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
surely his goodness  
and mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew  
what the Almighty can do,  
who with his love doth befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord!  
O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath,  
come now with praises before him!  
Let the amen sound from his people again;  
gladly forever adore him.

\* THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

~ WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD ~

THE FIRST LESSON

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19

<sup>1</sup>David again gathered all the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand. <sup>2</sup>David and all the people with him set out and went from Baale-judah, to bring up from there the ark of God, which is called by the name of the Lord of hosts who is enthroned on the cherubim. <sup>3</sup>They carried the ark of God on a new cart, and brought it out of the house of Abinadab, which was on the hill. Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, were driving the new cart <sup>4</sup>with the ark of God; and Ahio went in front of the ark. <sup>5</sup>David and all the house of Israel were dancing before the Lord with all their might, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals.

<sup>12b</sup>So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing; <sup>13</sup>and when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six paces, he sacrificed an ox and a fatling. <sup>14</sup>David danced before the Lord with all his might; David was girded with a linen ephod. <sup>15</sup>So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.

<sup>16</sup>As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal daughter of Saul looked out of the window, and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord; and she despised him in her heart.

<sup>17</sup>They brought in the ark of the Lord, and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it; and David offered burnt offerings and offerings of well-being before the Lord. <sup>18</sup>When David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the offerings of well-being, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts, <sup>19</sup>and distributed food among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, to each a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins. Then all the people went back to their homes.

This is the word of God for the people of God

**Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER

Psalm 24

*Duke Street*

**All the whole world belongs to God,  
Its people all are his to keep;  
For he has placed it on the seas,  
And made it firm upon the deep.**

**“Who can ascend the hill of God?  
And who can stand within his walls?”  
“All those who have clean hands, pure heart,  
And have not sworn by what is false.**

**Lift up your heads, eternal gates;  
Lift high your everlasting door;  
The King shall come. “Who is this King?”  
“The mighty Lord, the conqueror”**

THE SECOND LESSON

Ephesians 1:3-14

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, <sup>4</sup>just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. <sup>5</sup>He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup>to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. <sup>7</sup>In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace <sup>8</sup>that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight <sup>9</sup>he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, <sup>10</sup>as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. <sup>11</sup>In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, <sup>12</sup>so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. <sup>13</sup>In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; <sup>14</sup>this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

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

**Thanks be to God.**

\* SEQUENCE HYMN NO. 2089

*Wild and Lone the Prophet's Voice*

*La Grange*

Wild and lone the prophet's voice  
echoes through the desert still,  
calling us to make a choice,  
bidding us to do God's will:  
“Turn from sin and be baptized;  
cleanse your heart and mind and soul.  
Quitting all the sin you prized,  
yield your life to God's control.

\* THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 6:14-29

<sup>14</sup>King Herod heard of [the disciples' preaching,] for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, “John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him.” <sup>15</sup>But others said, “It is Elijah.” And others said, “It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old.” <sup>16</sup>But when Herod heard of it, he said, “John, whom I beheaded, has been raised.”

<sup>17</sup>For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. <sup>18</sup>For John had been telling Herod, “It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife.” <sup>19</sup>And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, <sup>20</sup>for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. <sup>21</sup>But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. <sup>22</sup>When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, “Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it.” <sup>23</sup>And he solemnly swore to her, “Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom.” <sup>24</sup>She went out and said to her mother, “What should I ask for?” She replied, “The head of John the baptizer.” <sup>25</sup>Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, “I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter.” <sup>26</sup>The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. <sup>27</sup>Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, <sup>28</sup>brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. <sup>29</sup>When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN NO. 2089

*Wild and Lone the Prophet's Voice*

*La Grange*

With such preaching stark and bold  
John proclaimed salvation near,  
and his timeless warnings hold  
words of hope to all who hear.  
So we dare to journey on,  
led by faith through ways untrod,  
till we come at last like John—  
to behold the Lamb of God.

SERMON

Rev. Kyle Randle

ANTHEM

*It Is Well With My Soul*

Tom Fettke

~ 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.

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.

\* 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.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

\* HYMN OF SENDING No. 378 *Amazing Grace* *Amazing Grace*  
*vs. 1, 4, & 6*

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found;  
was blind, but now I see.

The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be,  
as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright shining as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we first begun.

\* BENEDICTION

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Trumpet Intrada* John Dixon

### This Week at FUMC

#### Sunday, July 11

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: All Ages / Education Wing  
9:30 a.m. Online Sunday School / Live on Facebook  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary & Online Live

#### Monday, July 12

8:30 a.m. Summer Camp / Education Wing  
9:00 a.m. Organ Reserved / Sanctuary  
1:00 p.m. Organ Reserved / Sanctuary

#### Tuesday, July 13

8:00 a.m. Peoples Underwriters / Family Life Center (FLC) Room 102  
8:30 a.m. Summer Camp / Education Wing  
6:00 p.m. CA Group / FLC Room 102  
8:00 p.m. Al Anon Meeting / FLC Room 101  
8:00 p.m. AA Meeting / FLC Room 102

#### Wednesday, July 14

8:30 a.m. Summer Camp / Education Wing  
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, July 15

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

#### Friday, July 16

8:30 a.m. Summer Camp / Education Wing  
6:30 p.m. CA Group / FLC Room 102

#### Serving This Sunday, July 11

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

**Acolytes and Crucifer:** Caroline Daly, Mathew Daly

**Ushers:** Phil Thompson (Head Usher), Danny Clonts, Travis Dannelly, Samuel  
Hickman, Bo Ives, Sammy Johnson, Ken Senn, Chris Wright

#### Serving Next Sunday, July 18

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

**Acolytes and Crucifer:** Jackson Hagen, Julia Hagen

**Ushers:** Phil Thompson (Head Usher), Danny Clonts, Travis Dannelly, Samuel  
Hickman, Bo Ives, Sammy Johnson, Ken Senn, Chris Wright

#### FUMC Staff

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*Feast of Herod* Peter Paul Rubens 1633 / Greyscale

## Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

July 11, 2021

8:15 a.m. & 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.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God.