# First Church at Worship

When the disciples face a great storm on the sea, they cry out with fear. Jesus says: "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Amid the storms of life, we gather to seek the calm presence of Christ that soothes our fears. In comforting words of scripture and in the refreshing waters of baptism, God grants us peace and sends us forth to be a sign of God's presence to others.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OPENING VOLUNTARY** 

Dietrich Buxtehude

*Prelude and Fugue in D* 

**INTROIT** 

- \* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY
- \* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 127

CWM Rhondda

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Trusting in the word of life given in baptism, we are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

Blessed be God who gives us life with all of creation.

Blessed be God forever.

#### \* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

God of the universe, God of all things great and small, we confess that we have little faith, that we doubt, that in the storms of life we falter, though we say we trust in you. Hear our hope, even in our doubting, that you will answer. Command us in the storm, to come to you. Hear our cry, as we sink: Jesus, save us! God among us, save us! Redeem us! Make us whole! Amen.

Hear the words of the one who saves us: Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid. **Amen.** 

#### \* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

And also with you.

\*All may exchange signs of peace.

The passing of the peace is an invitation for the worshiping assembly to share the gift of Christ's peace with one another. Exchanging the peace after confession and pardon is a gesture of love and blessing. We invite you to turn to your neighbor and offer blessing by saying, "Peace be with you."

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

No. 39

Brothers and sisters in Christ: through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

I present Samuel Briggs Drew for baptism, son of Steven and Ashley Drew.

#### RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

On behalf of the whole church, I ask you:

Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness, reject the evil powers of this world, and repent of your sin?

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves? *I do*.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in his grace, and promise to serve him as your Lord, in union with the church which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races? *I do.* 

Will you nurture this child in Christ's holy church, that by your teaching and example he may be guided to accept God's grace for themselves, to profess his faith openly, and to lead a Christian life?

We will.

The pastor addresses the congregation.

Do you, as Christ's body, the church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

The pastor addresses all:

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe 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, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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.

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.* 

Eternal Father: When nothing existed but chaos, you swept across the dark waters and brought forth light. In the days of Noah you saved those on the ark through water. After the flood you set in the clouds a rainbow. When you saw your people as slaves in Egypt, you led them to freedom through the sea. Their children you brought through the Jordan to the land which you promised.

Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Tell of God's mercy each day.

In the fullness of time you sent Jesus, nurtured in the water of a womb. He was baptized by John and anointed by your spirit. He called his disciples to share in the baptism of his death and resurrection and to make disciples of all nations.

#### Declare his works to the nations, his glory among all the people.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, to bless this gift of water and one who receives it, to wash away his sin and clothe him in righteousness throughout his life, that, dying and being raised with Christ, he may share in his final victory.

All praise to you, Eternal Father, through your Son Jesus Christ, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns for ever. Amen.

HYMN No. 191

Jesus Love Me

Jesus Loves Me

Samuel, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit, you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Now it is our joy to welcome our new brother in Christ.

Through baptism you are incorporated by the Holy Spirit into God's new creation and made to share in Christ's royal priesthood. We are all one in Christ Jesus. With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you as members of the family of Christ.

~ We Listen for God's Word ~

THE FIRST LESSON

Romans 10:5-15

NT Pg. 160

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

THE ACT OF PRAISE Psalm 105:1-8

St. Anne

Give thanks to God, make known his Name, His deeds, to everyone; Sing praise, sing praise to him and tell The wonders he has done.

Rejoice in him, all hearts that seek To know his Name and grace; Search for the Lord and all his strength, And ever seek his face.

Recall the marvels God has done, The judgments of his mouth, O Abraham's children, Jacob's heirs, Whom he has chosen out.

The Lord is God, throughout the world His righteous laws prevail; His covenant and promises He keeps and will not fail.

\* THE GOSPEL LESSON N

Matthew 14:22-33

NT Pg. 16

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Rev. Kyle

Sink or Float?

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.

ANTHEM Mark Patterson

Lord. You Are Near Me

THE SERMON Rev. Kyle Randle

Stay in the Boat!

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 277

Stories of Jesus

Tell Me the Stories of Jesus

PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY Emily Steiner, flute

\* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Doxology No. 95

\* HYMN OF SENDING No. 569

Message

We've a Story to Tell to the Nations

- \* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE
- \* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY
- \* CLOSING VOLUNTARY

David German

Festive Trumpet Tune

\* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of our beloved Frank for his birthday, August 14 by all the Thompson family.

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#### NOTES FOR WORSHIP

Numbers by the hymns, Affirmation of Faith, Doxology, and Psalter 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, August 10

Altar Guild: Dawne Clonts, Freda Jones, Suzanne Owen, Amelia Wood Crucifer and Acolyte: Alex and Evan Von Herrmann, Samuel Hickman

**Counting Committee:** (Sunday) Hunter Jenkins, Kelly Cooper (Monday) Maxine Dunn, Margaret Thompson, Nancy Stiltner

Trustee Duty: George Martin

Sound Technician: Lee Hickman / Charles Hucks / Thomas Hickman

Children's Church: Anna Levy

**Ushers:** Duc Watts (Chairman), Phillip Thompson (Co-Chairman) Jack Driggers, James Hammond, Craig Hyman, Jimmy Jones, Blake Martin,

George Martin, Dick Sayre, Ernie Turnes.

#### This Week at FUMC

#### Sunday, August 10

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast 100.9 FM

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary

#### Tuesday, August 12

7:00 p.m. UMW Executive Meeting / FLC

#### Wednesday, August 13

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



Ninth Sunday after Pentecost August 10, 2014 11:00 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.