

First Church at Worship

The Canaanite woman in today's gospel is a Gentile, an outsider who is suffering in her request that Jesus heal her daughter. As Jesus commends her bold faith, how might our church extend its mission to those on the margins of society? In our gathering around word and water we receive strength to be signs of comfort, healing, and justice for those in need.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY Sigfrid Karg-Elert
Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals

INTROIT

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 154 Coronation
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

* 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 all, creator of all things, we praise you that your image resides in each of us, and that everything bears your mark. Yet we confess that we have limited our perception of your grace. In this we hinder ourselves more than you. Heal us and deliver us from the boundaries that we create, and set us free to serve you in ministries you have called us to. Amen.

Hear the words of Jesus: "Great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish". 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 Grey Olivia Nelson for baptism,
daughter of William and Jill Nelson.*

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?

I do.

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 she may be guided to accept God's grace for herself, to profess her 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.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include this child now before you in your care?

With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ. We will surround Grey Olivia with a community of love and forgiveness, that she may grow in her service to others. We will pray for her that she may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.

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 her sin and clothe her in righteousness throughout her life, that, dying and being raised with Christ, she 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.

Grey Olivia, 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.

HYMN No. 191 *Jesus Love Me* *Jesus Loves Me*

Now it is our joy to welcome our new sister 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 Genesis 45:1-15 OT Pg. 42

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

THE ACT OF PRAISE Psalm 133 St. Thomas

*When brethren live at peace,
At peace and 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 Hermon's dew
That falls on Zion's hill,
For there the Lord has promised life
And gives his blessing still.*

* THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 15:21-28 NT Pg. 17

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

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Rev. Kyle

That's Not Fair!

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
We Are Singing

THE SERMON Rev. Kyle Randle
Lord, Have Mercy, Christ Have Mercy

* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 383 *Beginnings*
This Is a Day of New Beginnings

PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY *Sicilienne* Maria Theresia Von Paradis

* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

* HYMN OF SENDING No. 568 *Italian Hymn*
Christ for the World We Sing

* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY J. S. Bach
Lentement (from Piece d'Orgue)

* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in memory of Paul Harry Martin, Jr.
by The Hut Bible Class.

A Grand piano has been placed in the Hut in memory of
Adelyn McCutcheon,
who served as organist for FUMC for many years.
Her service and support will long be remembered.

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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 17

Altar Guild: Dawne Clonts, Freda Jones, Suzanne Owen, Amelia Wood
Crucifer and Acolyte: Caroline Todd, Erin Todd, Savannah Seremet
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: Jan Gawith
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 17

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast 100.9 FM
10:00 a.m. Confirmation Meeting / Parlor with Rev. Kyle
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary

Monday, August 18

5:30 p.m. The Shepherd's Table Board Meeting / FLC

Prayer Concerns

Assisted Living Facilities: **MedStar:** Sylvia Avant; **Emeritus:** Bobbie Davis; **Conway Manor:** Edith Lewis; **Kingston:** Ruth Coy; **Cornelius, NC:** Helen Wakefield; **Mt. Prospect, IL:** Faye Perrault,

At Home: Sylvia Avant, Jose Holbert, Betty James, Catherine Causey, Betty Folks, Mary T. Foxworth, Jane Gore, Gwen Mishoe, Diana Rodwell, Tootsie Atkins, Tommy Jordan, Irene Calhoun, Ruth Thomas.



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August 17, 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.