

We Gather to Worship God

Called to contemplate the cost of discipleship today, we might be helped by translating Paul's request to Philemon into our prayers today: Refresh my heart in Christ. Strengthened by the company and forgiveness of the Christ in the sacrament and recalling God's grace in baptism, we can be strengthened in this hour to "choose life" — to choose life in God as our own.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY Johann Walther
"Lord Jesus Christ, Turn Thou to Us"

INTROIT

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 68 Engelberg
"When in Our Music God Is Glorified"

* THE GREETING

From God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, grace and peace be with you all.
And also with you.

* CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the only Sovereign, who dwells in light; Christ Jesus, who came to save sinners; the Holy Spirit, who lives within us.
Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.
God of overflowing grace,

We come to you with repentant hearts. Forgive us for shallow thankfulness. Forgive us for passing by the ones in need. Forgive us for setting our hopes on fleeting treasures. Forgive us our neglect and thoughtlessness. Bring us home from the wilderness of sin, and strengthen us to serve you in all that you do and say; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

By the grace of God in Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven and you are made free. *Amen.*

PRESENTATION OF THIRD-GRADE BIBLES

Ava Rose Hinson and Benjamin David Chanaca

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 Alston Michael Tew and Mason McKinley Ward,
children of Jimmy and Ashley Ward for baptism.

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 these children in Christ's holy church, that by your teaching and example they may be guided to accept God's grace for themselves, to profess their 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 the congregation.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these children 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 Alston and Mason with a community of love and forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others. We will pray for them, that they may be true disciples who walk 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 those who receive it, to wash away their sin and clothe them in righteousness throughout their lives, that, dying and being raised with Christ, they 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.

Alston/Mason, 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 brothers 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.

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Waterlife

"I Was There to Hear Your Born-ing Cry"



1. "I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be
3. "When you heard the won - der of the Word I was
5. "In the mid - dle ag - es of your life, not too
7. "I was there to hear your born - ing cry, I'll be



there when you are old. I re - joiced the day you
there to cheer you on; you were raised to praise the
old, no long - er young, I'll be there to guide you
there when you are old, I re - joiced the day you



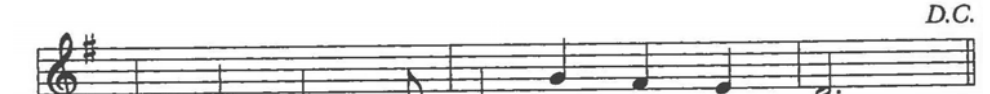
were bap - tized, to see your life un - fold.
liv - ing Lord, to whom you now be - long.
through the night, com - plete what I've be - gun.
were bap - tized, to see your life un - fold."



2. I was there when you were but a child, with a
4. If you find some - one to share your time and you
6. When the eve - ning gent - ly clos - es in and you



faith to suit you well; in a blaze of light you
join your hearts as one, I'll be there to make your
shut your wea - ry eyes, I'll be there as I have



wan - dered off to find where de - mons dwell.
vers - es rhyme from dusk till ris - ing sun.
al - ways been with just one more sur - prise.

D.C.

~ WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD ~

THE FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 18:1-11 OT. Pgs. 720
This is the word of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God.

THE SECOND LESSON Philemon 1-21 NT Pgs. 215-216
This is the word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

* THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 14:25-33 NT Pg. 78
This is the word of God for the people of God.
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CHILDREN'S MOMENTS "Crosses" Rev. Kyle
Children ages three through third-grade may go to Children's Church in room 123.
Nurseries provided for infants through 3 years in rooms 118 & 120.

SERMON "The Parts Department" Rev. Kyle D. Randle

~ WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD ~

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE After each petition, please respond
Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

OFFERTORY "Christ Jesus Who Maketh Us Glad" Marcel Dupre

OFFERTORY ANTHEM "Know My Heart, O God" Benjamin Harlen

* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION No. 13
Taking the Bread and Wine
The Great Thanksgiving
The Lord's Prayer
Giving the Bread and Cup

Communion will be celebrated by Intinction this morning. Ushers will direct worshippers to the Chancel Rail where servers will give a piece of bread to be dipped into the Chalice. Any offering left at the Chancel Rail will go towards our mission with Operation Christmas Child.

HYMNS AT COMMUNION Anthem "I Am the Bread of Life" Simon Lole
Hymn No. 162 "Alleluia, Alleluia" *Alleluia No. 1*

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 431 *World Peace*
"Let There Be Peace"

* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY Felix Mendelssohn
Voluntary Allegro Maestoso (from **Sonata II**)

* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Dale Gladson for his birthday September 7 by his wife, Judy and daughters, Elizabeth, Jenny and Susan and their families.

Serving This Sunday, September 8

Altar Guild: Sue Dusenbury, Frances Driggers, Lois Sayre
Acolytes and Crucifer: Lila Myers, Sydney Stegall, Samuel Hickman
Liturgist: Tim Whitten
Counting Committee: (Sunday) Kelly Cooper and Jan Bitting
(Monday) Maxine Dunn / Margaret Thompson
Trustee Duty: Jim Edwards
Sound Technician: Lee Hickman / Charles Hucks / Thomas Hickman
Ushers: Brad Todd (Chairman), Mark Brooks (Co-Chairman) Jim Edwards, William Goldfinch, Chad Hardwick, Tommy Harper, Britt Stiltner, Bill Taylor, Alex Todd
Nursery Volunteers: Amanda and Ben Yenicek
Children's Church: Amy Hickman

Serving Next Sunday, September 15

Altar Guild: Sue Dusenbury, Frances Driggers, Lois Sayre
Acolytes and Crucifer: Evan Von Herrmann, Jacob Johnson, Savannah Seremet
Liturgist: Tim Whitten
Counting Committee: (Sunday) Kelly Cooper and Jan Bitting
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Children's Church: Tim Whitten

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, September 8
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast 100.9 FM
11:00 a.m. Worship Service / Sanctuary
3:00 p.m. Marion District Meeting / FLC
5:30 p.m. UMYF / FLC

Monday, September 9
10:30 a.m. Bible Study / FLC Senior Room

Tuesday, September 10
6:00 p.m. UMW Executive Meeting / FLC
7:00 p.m. UMW General Meeting / FLC

Wednesday, September 11
3:00 p.m. Children's Snack Time / Education Wing
3:15 p.m. Cherub and Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Rm. 105
4:00 p.m. W.W. Activities / Education Wing & FLC
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal / Fellowship Hall
6:15 p.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Rm. 211
6:30 p.m. Table Talk Bible Study / Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Rm. 105

Thursday, September 12
2:15 p.m. Cooking at the Shepherd's Table



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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 9, 2013
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.