

We Gather to Worship God

Conflict is a part of relationships and life in community. Paul reminds us that love is the fulfilling of the law. We gather in the name of Christ, assured that he is present among us with gifts of peace and reconciliation.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY Johann Pachelbel
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

INTROIT

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 2234 (TFWS) Lancashire
Lead On, O Cloud of Presence

* CALL TO WORSHIP

*People of God, open your eyes!
Look Around!*

***The presence of our Lord Jesus Christ is here—
among us and within us.***

*God's salvation is close at hand—
nearer than you know.*

***So open our hearts and minds to the Spirit,
and let's worship God together!***

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' 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.*

* GLORIA PATRI No. 70 Meineke

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

***Source of all life, we confess that we have not allowed your grace to set
us free. We fear that we are not good enough. We hear you word of
love freely given to us, yet we expect others to earn it. We turn the
church inward, rather than moving it outward. Forgive us. Stir us.
Reform us to be a church powered by love, willing to speak for what is
right, act for what is just, and seek the healing of your whole creation.
Amen.***

*God hears our cry and sends the Spirit to change us and to empower our
lives in the world. Our sins are forgiven, God's love is unconditional,
and we are raised up as God's people who will always be made new in*

* 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."

PRESENTATION OF THIRD GRADE BIBLES

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

THE FIRST LESSON Exodus 12:1-14 OT Pg. 58

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

THE ACT OF PRAISE Psalm 149 Maryton

*Hallelujah! Sing praise to God,
Among his faithful let praise ring;
Let Israel, Zion's children too,
Rejoice in their Creator King.*

*In dances praise his Name, and sing
With harp and timbrel joyfully;
The Lord takes pleasure in his own,
Adorns the poor with victory.*

*Let faithful saints rejoice in bed,
Let them be joyful in the Lord;
Let praise of God be in their throat
And in their hand a two-edged sword;*

*To wreak God's vengeance on all lands,
The punishment which he ordains;
To bind their kings with links of iron
And place their nobles, too, in chains;*

*To levy and inflict on them
The judgment God decreed by law;
This is the glory which God's own
Will all receive. Hallelujah!*

THE SECOND LESSON Romans 13:8-14 NT Pg. 162

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Thanks be to God.*

ANTHEM J. S. Bach

Praise the Lord

* THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 18:15-20 NT Pg. 20

*"In Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, entrusting the message of
reconciliation to us. 2 Cor. 5:19*

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Thanks be to God.*

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Rev. Kyle

Infinity
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 D. Randle

Perpetual Mercy

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

* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 448 Tubman
Go Down, Moses

THE PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY Pastorale J. K. Kuchar

* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

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

* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 557 Dennis
Blest Be the Tie That Binds

* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY Benedetto Marcello

Psalm XIX

* CONGREGATION STANDING

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



NOTES FOR WORSHIP

Numbers by the hymns, Affirmation of Faith, and Doxology are from the United Methodist Hymnal and The Faith We Sing Hymnal (TFWS) 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.

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.

Prayer Concerns

Assisted Living/Rehab Facilities: Morningside of Georgetown: Marie Newman; **Brookdale:** Bobbie Davis, Harriet Edwards; **Anderson Oaks:** Mary T. Foxworth; **Agape:** Mary Hucks, **Mt. Prospect, IL:** Faye Perrault; **Martinez, GA:** Helen Wakefield

At Home: David Reimschuessel, Frankie Hardwick, Irby Koon, Julia Land, Lois Sechriest, Myron and Maxine Dunn, Eugenia Benton, Rebecca Howell, Betty Folks, Gwen Mishoe, Billy Joe Calhoun, Ruth Thomas, Lois Vaught, Ted Boyd.

Serving This Sunday, September 10

Altar Guild: Frances Driggers, Sue Dusenbury, Sylvia Richardson, Lois Sayre

Acolytes and Crucifer: Nathan Nelson, Emily Thompkins, John Kelly Thompkins,

Counting Committee: Sallie Goldfinch, Sarah Staub

Trustee Duty: Kent Bitting, Johnny Vaught

Bus Duty: David Jordan

Children's Church: Sammy and Debbie Johnson

Sound Technicians: Lee Hickman, Charles Hucks

Ushers: Brad Todd (Chairman) Kent and Will Bitting, Mark Brooks, Tucker Gore, William Goldfinch, Britt Stiltner, Bill Taylor, Alex Todd, Johnny Vaught

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, September 10

9:30 a.m. Swiss Melody Bells Rehearsal / Room 117
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary
10:50 a.m. Second Grade Worship / Room 121
5:30 p.m. UMYF and Bridge Meeting / Family Life Center (FLC)

Monday, September 11

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
11:00 a.m. Henry/Rogers Circle / FLC Senior Room
6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts / FLC

Tuesday, September 12

8:30 a.m. Peoples Underwriters / FLC
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting / Room 215
6:00 p.m. Cocaine Anonymous (CA) Meeting / FLC
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts / FLC
7:00 p.m. UMW Executive Meeting / Parlor
8:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting / FLC Senior Room

Wednesday, September 13

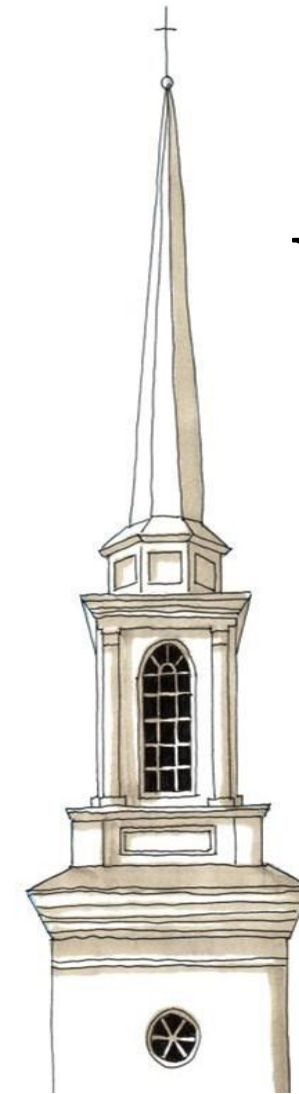
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
3:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Activities / FLC
4:30 p.m. Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Room 105
4:30 p.m. Chime Choir (Grades 1 & 2) / Room 211
5:10 p.m. Voices in Bronze (Grades 3-5) Rehearsal / Room 211
5:10 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal / Room 105
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal / Fellowship Hall
6:15 p.m. "Seamless" Ladies Bible Study / Room 216
6:15 p.m. "Soul Shift" Bible Study / Room 217
6:15 p.m. Carillon Rehearsal / Room 205
7:00 p.m. Sonshine Class Meeting / Parlor
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Room 105

Thursday, September 14

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
4:00 p.m. Capital Campaign Ministry Team / Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts / FLC

Friday, September 15

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing



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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 10, 2017
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.