We Gather to Worship God

In today's reading from Romans, Paul questions why we judge one another, since we all stand before the judgment of God. Yet we do sin against one another, and Jesus's challenge that we forgive seventy-seven times reveals God's boundless mercy. When we hear the words of forgiveness in worship, we are renewed in baptism to be signs of reconciliation in the world.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY Jesus, Priceless Treasure

J. S. Bach

INTROIT

- * CHIMING OF THE TRINITY
- * THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 89

Hymn to Joy

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

* CALL TO WORSHIP

In ancient times, the people knew God was with them

Even when they were slaves in Egypt, the people knew that God had not abandoned them.

God showed great power in bringing the people of Israel to new life through the exodus.

God's power delivers us from slavery into freedom.

Come let us worship

the God of grace, forgiveness, and new beginnings.

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

No. 881

The Apostles' Creed

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 GLORIA PATRI No. 70

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Meineke

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

We come to this place keenly aware of the need of your grace and forgiveness, O God. We know the many times we have done things that are not in keeping with your will; the times we have hurt others – both intentionally and unintentionally – and damaged the fragile earth you have given as our home. Yet we know, too, the majestic power of your forgiveness and grace. Hear our prayer, remove our guilt, and set us free to be your people in the world. Amen.

Hear the good news: Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus, in whom we have forgiveness of sin, life, and salvation. **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."

~ WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD ~

THE FIRST LESSON Exodus 14:19-31

OT Pg. 61

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

Thanks be to God.

THE ACT OF PRAISE Psalm 103:8-13

Festal Song

The Lord is full of love And mercy, slow to wrath; He will not always judge our sins, Nor will his anger last.

Our wickedness and sins Are not repaid by weight; For as the heavens are high above, So is his mercy great.

Our sins are all removed As far as east from west; For as a father loves his child, So is God's care expressed.

THE SECOND LESSON Romans 14:1-12

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

Thanks be to God.

* HYMN OF THE DAY No. 356

Somos del Seňor

When We Are Living

* THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 18:21-35

NT Pg. 20

NT Pg. 163

This is the word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

Rev. Kyle

I Forgive

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.

THE SERMON

Rev. Kyle Randle

Forgive and Forget

~ WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD ~

PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Sebastian Temple

Make Me a Channel of Your Peace Women of the Choir

* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Doxology No. 95

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

No. 13

Offering the Bread and Cup
*The Great Thanksgiving
The Lord's Prayer
Giving the Bread and Cup

Communion will be celebrated by Intinction today. Ushers will guide worshippers to one of three stations by the Chancel Rail. The bread will be given to be dipped into the Chalice. You are invited to kneel and pray following receiving the bread and wine.

Any offering given at the rail will be used in support of Epworth Children's Home.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Bryan Leech

Come, Share the Lord

COMMUNION HYMN No. 628

Berthier

Eat This Bread

~ 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

Theodore DuBois

Toccata in G

* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Bob Wiley's Birthday, by Beth and Kath.

The rosebud on the altar is in celebration of the newest addition to the church family!

Maddox Cooper Dannelly, born Friday, September 5 to proud parents, Travis and Kimberly and big sister, Addison.

Congratulations!



NOTES FOR WORSHIP

Numbers by the hymns, Affirmation of Faith, Doxology, 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.

THINGS TO KNOW WHILE WORSHIPING AT FIRST UMC

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.

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.

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.

We wish to invite you to contact one of our staff members if you would like more information about FUMC:

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A full listing of the staff may be found in the Announcements inserted in the bulletin or online.

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

Acolytes and Crucifer: Lila Myers, Emily Thompkins, Jade Edwards

Counting Committee: (Sunday) Kelly Cooper, Jan Bitting (Monday) Maxine Dunn and Margaret Thompson, Nancy Stiltner

Children's Church: Tim Whitten

Trustee Duty: Jim Edwards, Janet Martin **Sound Technician:** Lee Hickman / Charles Hucks

Ushers: Brad Todd (Chairman), Mark Brooks (Co-Chairman) Jim Edwards, William Goldfinch, Chad Hardwick, Thomas Harper,

Alex Todd, Johnny Vaught

This Week at First United Methodist Church

Sunday, September 14

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast 100.9 FM
10:00 a.m. Swiss Melody Bell Rehearsal / Rm. 117
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary
4:45 p.m. King's Singers / Choir Room 105
5:30 p.m. UMYF / FLC

Monday, September 15

5:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting / FLC 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts / FLC

Tuesday, September 16

2:30 p.m.

11:00a.m. Staff Meeting / Room 215

Wednesday, September 17

3:00 p.m.
3:15 p.m.
Cherub and Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Room 105
5:30 p.m.
Church Family Meal / Fellowship Hall
6:15 p.m.
6:30 p.m.
Adult Bible Study / Rm. 122
7:00 p.m.
Wonderful Wednesday Activities
Cherub and Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Room 205
Adult Bible Study / Rm. 122
Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Room 105

Children are picked up from school

Thursday, September 18

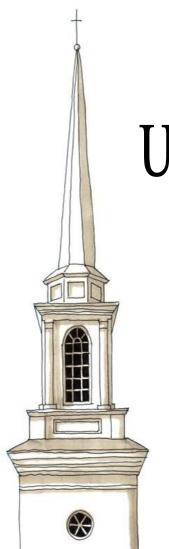
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts / FLC

Prayer Concerns

GSH: Britt Stiltner, Atlanta: Betty Smith

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

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



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Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 14, 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.