

First Church at Worship

OPENING VOLUNTARY

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A Mighty Fortress is Our God

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE GREETING

The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

The risen Christ is with us.

Praise the Lord!

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 2004

Hyfrydol

Praise the Source of Faith and Learning

vs. 1 & 4

Praise the source of faith and learning
that has sparked and stoked the mind
with a passion for discerning
how the world has been designed.
Let the sense of wonder flowing
from the wonders we survey
keep our faith forever growing
and renew our need to pray.

As two currents in a river
fight each other's undertow,
till converging they deliver
one coherent steady flow,
blend, O God, our faith and learning
till they carve a single course,
till they join as one, returning
praise and thanks to you, the Source.

* THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

~ WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD ~

THE FIRST LESSON

Proverbs 31:10-31

- ¹⁰A capable wife who can find?
She is far more precious than jewels.
¹¹The heart of her husband trusts in her,
and he will have no lack of gain.
¹²She does him good, and not harm,
all the days of her life.
¹³She seeks wool and flax,
and works with willing hands.
¹⁴She is like the ships of the merchant,
she brings her food from far away.
¹⁵She rises while it is still night
and provides food for her household
and tasks for her servant-girls.
¹⁶She considers a field and buys it;
with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard.
¹⁷She girds herself with strength,
and makes her arms strong.
¹⁸She perceives that her merchandise is profitable.
Her lamp does not go out at night.
¹⁹She puts her hands to the distaff,
and her hands hold the spindle.

- ²⁰She opens her hand to the poor,
and reaches out her hands to the needy.
²¹She is not afraid for her household when it snows,
for all her household are clothed in crimson.
²²She makes herself coverings;
her clothing is fine linen and purple.
²³Her husband is known in the city gates,
taking his seat among the elders of the land.
²⁴She makes linen garments and sells them;
she supplies the merchant with sashes.
²⁵Strength and dignity are her clothing,
and she laughs at the time to come.
²⁶She opens her mouth with wisdom,
and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.
²⁷She looks well to the ways of her household,
and does not eat the bread of idleness.
²⁸Her children rise up and call her happy;
her husband too, and he praises her:
²⁹“Many women have done excellently,
but you surpass them all.”
³⁰Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain,
but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.
³¹Give her a share in the fruit of her hands,
and let her works praise her in the city gates.
This is the word of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God.

THE PSALTER

Psalm 1

Canonbury

**Happy are those who have not walked
With the ungodly of the land,
Nor lingered in the sinners' way,
Nor sat with those who mock God's hand.**

**Like fruitful trees by flowing streams,
With leaves that never fade or fall,
Are those who serve God day and night;
They find prosperity in all.**

**The wicked are not so, they seem
Like chaff the wind will blow away;
They have no place with the elect
Nor can they stand on Judgment Day.**

**Then praise our God who knows so well
The way in which the righteous go;
The path which the ungodly walk
Shall perish; this God's people know.**

THE SECOND LESSON

James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a

¹³Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. ¹⁴But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. ¹⁵Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. ¹⁶For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. ¹⁷But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. ¹⁸And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace.⁴

¹Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? ²You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³You ask and do not receive,

because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures. ⁷Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ^{8a}Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. .
This is the word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

* SEQUENCE HYMN NO. 2176 *Make Me a Servant*

Make Me a Servant

Make me a servant, humble and meek,
Lord let me lift up those who are weak.
And may the prayer of my heart always be:
Make me a servant, make me a servant, make me a servant today.

* THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 9:30-37

³⁰[Jesus and the disciples went on] and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; ³¹for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” ³²But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.
³³Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” ³⁴But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. ³⁵He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” ³⁶Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, ³⁷“Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”
The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to thee, O Christ.

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CHILDREN'S MOMENT (10:30)

Mr. Josh

SERMON

Rev. Kyle D. Randle

ANTHEM (10:30)

Make Me A Channel Of Your Peace

Sebastian Temple

~ WE RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL ~

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
whose teaching is life,
whose presence is sure,
and whose love is endless.
Amen.

Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence is kept for reflection.

God our comforter:
**like lost sheep, we have gone astray.
We gaze upon abundance and see scarcity.
We turn our faces away from injustice and oppression.
We exploit the earth with our apathy and greed.
Free us from our sin, gracious God.
Listen when we call out to you for help.
Lead us by your love to love our neighbors as ourselves.
Amen.**

All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

By the gift of grace in † Christ Jesus, God makes you righteous.
Receive with glad hearts the forgiveness of all your sins.
Amen.

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostle's 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.

* THE GLORIA PATRI No. 70 *Meineke*

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

* HYMN OF SENDING No. 421 *Diademata*
Make Me a Captive, Lord
vs. 1 & 2

Make me a captive, Lord,
and then I shall be free.
Force me to render up my sword,
and I shall conqueror be.
I sink in life's alarms
when by myself I stand;
imprison me within thine arms,
and strong shall be my hand.

My heart is weak and poor
until it master find;
it has no spring of action sure,
it varies with the wind.
It cannot freely move
till thou hast wrought its chain;
enslave it with thy matchless love,
and deathless it shall reign.

* BENEDICTION

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY *G.F. Handel*
Minuet Finale (from Royal Fireworks Suite)

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in honor of our parents, Kyle and Nancy,
for their 18th Anniversary, by Jonas and Sara Randle.

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, September 19

8:15 a.m. Early Morning Worship / Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class/ Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM
9:30 a.m. Sunday School / All Ages / Education Wing
9:30 a.m. Youth Sunday School / Family Life Center (FLC) Room 103
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary & Live Online
5:30 p.m. UMYF and Bridge / FLC

Monday, September 20

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
6:30 p.m. NA Meeting / FLC Room 102

Tuesday, September 21

8:00 a.m. Peoples Underwriters / FLC Gathering Room
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
6:00 p.m. CA Group / FLC Room 102
7:00 p.m. Cub Scout Meeting / FLC Gathering Room
8:00 p.m. Al Anon Meeting / FLC Room 101
8:00 p.m. AA Meeting / FLC Room 102

Wednesday, September 22

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
3:00 p.m. WW Snack and Fellowship / Fellowship Hall
3:30 p.m. WW Activities / Education Wing
3:45 p.m. Youth Hangout / FLC Room 103
4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class / FLC Room 104
4:45 p.m. Chime Choir Rehearsal / 2nd Floor Commons
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal / Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / 2nd Floor Commons
6:15 p.m. Adult Bible Study / Room 216
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Room 105
8:00 p.m. Quintet Rehearsal / Room 105

Thursday, September 23

8:00 a.m. Peoples Underwriters / FLC Gathering Room
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
4:30 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal / Room 105
5:00 p.m. Wesley Treble Choir / Room 105
6:30 p.m. NA Meeting / FLC Room 102
6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts Meeting / FLC Room 104

Friday, September 24

7:00 a.m. Youth Prayer Breakfast / FLC Gathering Room
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
6:30 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC Room 102

Saturday, September 25

9:00 a.m. PUMPKINS ARRIVE / Courtyard
11:00 a.m. Pumpkin Patch Opens

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Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 19, 2021

8:15 a.m. and 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.