

We Gather to Worship God

Consideration of and care for those in need especially those visible to us is an essential part of good stewardship. It is in the sharing of wealth that we avoid the snare of wealth. It is the one whom death could not hold—who comes to us risen from the dead—who can free us from the death grip of greed.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY Johann Pachelbel
Fugue in D minor

INTROIT

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 160 Marion
Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

* CALL TO WORSHIP

The word has come for us from God:

who promises to shelter us under the wings of hope and grace.

The word has come to us from Jesus:

who encourages us to remember the good news we have received.

The word flows to us from the Spirit:

who reminds us to place our hope and trust in God.

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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 we do and say; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

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* 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

Olivia Glaze Fowler
daughter of Laurie Rollins

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 Olivia Glaze Fowler 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 this child in Christ's holy church, that through 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?

I will.

Leader Address 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 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.

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 receives it, to wash away their sin and clothe them in righteousness throughout their life, 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.

BAPTISMAL HYMN No. 2051 (TFWS) Waterlife
I Was There to Hear Your Borning Cry

Olivia Glaze Fowler, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

The Holy Spirit works 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 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 a member of the family of Christ.

~ WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD ~

ANTHEM John Horman
My Heart Rejoices in the Lord
King's Singers

THE FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 NT Pg. 736
This is the word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM Michael Joncas
On Eagle's Wings

* THE GOSPEL LESSON Luke 16:19-31 NT Pgs. 79-80
This is the word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Rev. Kyle
Needs and Wants
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. Randle
By God's Grace

~ WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD ~

* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 2036 (TFWS) Give Thanks
Give Thanks

- CELEBRATION AND WELCOME OF JOSH TIETJE (See Insert)
- PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER
- OFFERTORY *O How Blessed Are Ye* Johannes Brahms
- OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Beautiful Savior* Allen Griffith
- * PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95
~ *WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD* ~
- * THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 2008(TFWS) *The Ash Grove*
Let All Things Now Living
- * BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE
- * CHIMING OF THE TRINITY
- * CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Fanfare in D* Jacques Lemmens
- * CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and in memory of our loved ones,
by Phil and Pat Thompson



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.



Dear Pastor and members of First UMC: Thank you for allowing us to be a part of your service on September 11, 2016. We thank you for your support and prayers. Sincerely, Deputy Timmy Tyner.

Prayer Concerns

Assisted Living/Rehab Facilities: Brookdale: Bobbie Davis; **Agape:** Mary Hucks, **Waccamaw/Tidelands:** Karlene Rudolph, **Conway Manor:** Edith Lewis; **Martinez, GA:** Helen Wakefield; **Mt. Prospect, IL:** Faye Perrault

At Home: Bobby Stillely, Catherine Causey, Linda Wolfe, Bob Sherry, Tommy Jordan, Irby Koon, Myron and Maxine Dunn, Eugenia Benton, Sylvia Avant, Betty Folks, Betty Jo Huggins, Mary T. Foxworth, Gwen Mishoe, Billy Joe and Irene Calhoun, Ruth Thomas, Lois Vaught, Ted Boyd.

Serving This Sunday, September 25

- Altar Guild:** Frances Driggers, Sue Dusenbury, Lois Sayre
Sylvia Richardson
- Acolytes and Crucifer:** Colin Hucks, Cooper Thomas, Jonas Randle
- Counting Committee:** (Sunday) Spivey Hood, Jan Bitting
(Monday) Sallie Goldfinch, Sarah Staub
- Trustee Duty:** Justin Roof and Anna Levy
- Bus Duty:** William Goldfinch
- Children's Church:** Ben and Amanda Yenicek
- Sound Technicians:** Lee Hickman, Charles Hucks
- Ushers:** Brad Todd (Chairman), Mark Brooks (Co-Chairman),
Kent and Will Bitting, Tucker Gore, William Goldfinch, Britt Stiltner,
Bill Taylor, Brad Todd, Alex Todd, Johnny Vaught

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, September 25

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
- 9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM
- 9:30 a.m. Meet and Greet for New Members / Family Life Center
- 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. Welcome the Tietje Family / Courtyard
- 4:00 p.m. Acolyte Class / Sanctuary
- 5:30 p.m. UMYF / FLC

Monday, September 26

- 5:30 p.m. Shepherd's Table Steering Committee / FLC Senior Room
- 6:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting / Commons
- 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts Meeting / FLC

Tuesday, September 27

- 8:30 a.m. Preschool / Rooms 117 & 120
- 11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting / Room 215
- 6:00 p.m. Cocaine Anonymous (CA) Meeting / FLC
- 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts Meeting / Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, September 28

- 8:30 a.m. Preschool / Rooms 117 & 120
- 3:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Program / FLC
- 4:30 p.m. Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
- 5:00 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal / Fellowship Hall
- 6:15 p.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Handbell Room 205
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Study "Half Truths" / Room 216
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
- 7:00 p.m. Sunshine "Sunday" School Class / Parlor

Thursday, September 29

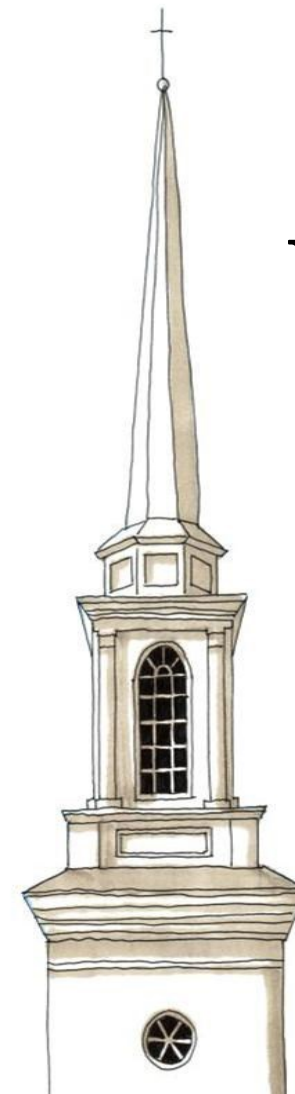
- 8:30 a.m. Preschool / Rooms 117 & 120

Friday, September 30

- 7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC

Saturday, October 1

- Conway Fall Festival



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Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 25, 2016
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.