First Church at Worship

Today's gospel invites us to receive the Kingdom of God as a child. Jesus' rebuke of the disciples who are fending off the children should challenge us. By bringing the children to him, Jesus identifies himself with those who are among the most vulnerable and helpless in society. As Christ's church, we are called to provide a place of welcome and care for the most vulnerable and weak in our society.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY "Allegro in D"

John Stanley

INTROIT

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 92

Dix

"For the Beauty of the Earth"

* 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 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

MORNING PRAYERS

SILENT PRAYERS

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

All: Steadfast and saving God, have mercy on us. In so many ways we cause or suffer brokenness: envy, ambition, conflict, boasting, hard hearts, lashing tongues, dishonor for the poor. In your compassion, forgive our sins and heal our hurts. Bring forth righteousness, the fruits of gentleness and peacemaking, the sheaves of wisdom and justice; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Leader: In the name of Jesus, Son of God, receive mercy and find grace. Your transgressions are forgiven!

People: In the name of Jesus, Son of God, your transgressions are forgiven!

ANTHEM "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" Thomas Dorsey

Frankie Hardwick, soloist

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON OT Pgs. 453-454

Job 1:1, 2:1-10

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

THE PSALTER No. 743

Johann J. Schütz

Psalm 8 with Response 1

THE EPISTLE LESSON Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12 NT Pgs. 218-219

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ANTHEM "All Things Bright and Beautiful" Martin Shaw Jade Edwards, Laurel Edwards, Ross Fallaw, Savannah Seremet, soloists Cherub and Wesley Treble Choir

* THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 10:2-16

NT Pg. 46

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Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS "It's Great to Be a Child"

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

"To Be a Child"

Rev. Kyle Randle

* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 206

Houston

"I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

You are invited to the altar during the singing of this hymn. Kneel...commune with God...return to your pew when ready.

OFFERTORY

George Böhm

"If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee"

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Paul E Koch

"How Firm A Foundation"

* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Doxology No. 95

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION No. 13

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

This morning Communion will be received at the Chancel Rail.

The Communion Offering, left at the chancel rail, will be used in support of the World Communion Offering.

ANTHEM AT COMMUNION

Simon Lole

"I Am the Bread of Life"

* HYMN OF SENDING No. 620

One Bread, One Body

"One Bread, One Body"

- * BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE
- * CHIMING OF THE TRINITY
- * CLOSING VOLUNTARY Johann Pachelbel "A Mighty Fortress is Our God"
- * CONGREGATION STANDING.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Philip A. Thompson's birthday by his family.



NOTES FOR WORSHIP

Numbers by the hymns, Affirmation of Faith, Gloria Patri, Doxology, and Psalter 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.

World Communion Sunday Nurture / Advocate / Give

Your generous gifts on World Communion Sunday Support:

- World Communion Scholarships, administered by the General Board of Global Ministries and
- Ethnic Scholarship and Ethnic In-Service Training Programs related to the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry.

Christian Sympathy is given to Ann Stegall and her family on the death of her father, James W. Fink, who passed away Wednesday, September 26 in Kannapolis, NC.

The Children's Recorder Consort begins rehearsals Sunday, October 7 at 9:30 in the choir room. The consort is for young people in grades 3 and up. Recorders will be provided.

Sunday Tithes and Offerings: Please be sure to note on your check or giving envelope where you would like your funds to go. (i.e. Operating, Building, CAP, etc.) Separate checks to each fund are not necessary.

Church Announcements: Please note that Sunday Morning Announcements are shared prior to the Prelude (approx. 10:50 a.m.). Sunday school classes are encouraged to begin at 9:45 a.m. Nursery is available at 9:30 a.m.

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:

Kyle.Randle@fumcconway.org (Pastor)
Billy.Fallaw@fumcconway.org (Dir. of Music)
Tim.Whitten@fumcconway.org (Dir. of Christian Ed.)
Office@fumcconway.org (Ministry Asst.)

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

Serving This Sunday, October 7

Altar Guild: Janet Martin, Jean Steen, Jill Watts

Crucifer and Acolytes: Avery Carter, Graham Carter and Sydney Stegall

Counting Committee: (Sunday) Jan Bitting, George Martin

(Monday) Maxine Dunn, Margaret Thompson

Trustee Duty: Jim Edwards

Sound Technician: Lee Hickman / Charles Hucks

Ushers: Jim Ward (Chairman), Charles Timbes (Co-Chairman) Bob Butler, Philip Davis, Andy Hendrick, Spivey Hood, Jeff Mishoe, Doug Roof, Benjamin

Smith, John Steen, Randy Wood.

Nursery Volunteers: The Carter Family
Children's Church: Beccy Ward

Stewardship		Attendance & Offerings	
Operating	10,829.85	Sunday School	165
Good Samaritan	10.00	Morning Worship	209
CAP	200.00	Wonderful Wednesday	92
Anderson Scholarship	500.00	Food Offering for CAP	9
Outreach	200.00		
Building Fund	4,817.00	Gently Used Items	
Total	16,556.85	Clothing Items	30
Help4Kids Viennas	36	Shoes (pairs)	45

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, October 7

9:30 a.m. Children's Recorder Consort Rehearsal / Choir Room 105

9:40 a.m. Singing in the Commons / 2nd Floor Commons

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

9:45 a.m. Confirmation Class / Rm. 205

10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast 100.9 FM

11:00 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary

3:00 p.m. Blessing of the Animals / Courtyard

5:30 p.m. UMYF / FLC

Tuesday, October 9

6:00 p.m. UMW Executive Meeting / FLC 7:00 p.m. UMW General Meeting / FLC

Wednesday, October 10

3:00-4:00 p.m. Gathering: Snacks, Homework, Playtime / Room 119

4:00-5:30 p.m. Learning/Crafts/Activities / Room119

4:00-4:45 p.m. Wesley Ringers / Handbell Room 211

5:00-5:45 p.m. Cherub & Wesley Treble Choirs / Choir Room 105

5:30-6:30 p.m. Fellowship Meal / Fellowship Hall

6:15-7:00 p.m. Carillon Rehearsal / Handbell Room 211

6:30-7:30 p.m. Children's Activity Time / Room 119

6:30-7:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study: Forgiveness / Room 205

6:30-8:30 p.m. Ladies Bible Study / FLC-Senior Room

7:00-8:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105

Thursday, October 11

10:00 a.m. Ladies Bible Study / FLC-Senior Room



Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost World Communion Sunday October 7, 2012 11:00 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.