

We Gather to Worship God

Genuine repentance and pretentious piety stand in stark contrast in the gospel and all around us. All creation stands in need of God's forgiveness. Keep the faith. God's people—"all who have longed for his appearing"—shall be accounted righteous for Jesus' sake. Our God is merciful to sinners. For all of this we glorify God forever.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY G.F. Handel
Overture (from Water Music Suite)

INTROIT

*** CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 158 Spanish Hymn
Come, Christians, Join to Sing

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Then I will pour out my spirit on all flesh,
thus says the Lord.
Send down the fire of your justice!
Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
Send down the rain of your love!
Your old shall dream dreams,
and your young shall see visions.
Send down your Spirit,
breathe life into your people!
In those days, I will pour out my spirit.
And we shall be people of God.*

*** 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.*

*** GLORIA PATRI** No. 70 Meineke

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

*God of overflowing grace, we come to you with repentant hearts.
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."

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

THE FIRST LESSON Joel 2:23-32 OT Pg. 848

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

THE ACT OF PRAISE Psalm 65 Truro

*You visit all the earth, O Lord,
And water it abundantly;
Your stream runs full; preparing grain,
You make provisions rich and free.*

*You drench the furrows, smooth the fields,
Soften the ground with heavy rain;
You crown with goodness all the year
And leave rich paths across the plain.*

*May desert fields be filled with herds,
And hills be clothed with gladness, too;
May meadows, valleys, clothe themselves
With flocks and grain and sing to you.*

THE SECOND LESSON 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 NT Pg. 213

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Thanks be to God.*

ANTHEM Patti Drennan

My Jesus, I Love Thee

*** THE GOSPEL LESSON** Luke 18:9-14 NT Pg. 81

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Thanks be to God.*

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Rev. Kyle

Big and Small
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

Corners

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

*** HYMN OF RESPONSE** No. 357 Woodworth
Just as I Am, Without One Plea
verses 1, 3, 5, & 6

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY Antonio Vivaldi
Autumn (from The Four Seasons)

*** PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS** Doxology No. 95

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

*** THE HYMN OF SENDING** No. 152 Forest Green
I Sing the Almighty Power of God

*** BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE**

*** CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

*** CLOSING VOLUNTARY** Dietrich Buxtehude
Fugue in D

*** CONGREGATION STANDING**

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
and to celebrate the Christian marriage of
Elizabeth and Josh Jackson
who were joined in holy matrimony Saturday, October 22
by her parents, Ken and Cathy Senn.

My Sermon Notes

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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.

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@fumconway.org (Pastor)
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- Danny.Clonts@fumconway.org (Accountant)
- Office@fumconway.org (Ministry Assistant)

Prayer Concerns

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

At Home: Karlene Rudolph, Catherine Causey, Linda Wolfe, 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, October 23

Altar Guild: Janet Martin, Jean Steen, Jill Watts
Acolytes and Crucifer: Samuel Hickman, Chad Steinfield, Caroline Daly
Counting Committee: (Sunday) Danny Clonts and Jack McCutcheon (Monday) Sallie Goldfinch, Sarah Staub
Trustee Duty: Randy Wood, Brian Stewart
Bus Duty: Mike Saville
Children's Church: Sallie Goldfinch
Sound Technicians: Lee Hickman, Charles Hucks
Ushers: Spivey Hood (Chairman), Bob Butler, Andy Hendrick, Blake Hewitt, Daniel Hunnicutt, Doug Roof, Scott Sayre, Ben Smith, John Steen, Randy Wood

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, October 23

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. New Comers Meet and Greet / FLC
9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary
5:30 p.m. UMYF / FLC

Monday, October 24

6:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting / Commons
7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts Meeting / FLC

Tuesday, October 25

Lifetouch Photography Sittings
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Rooms 117 & 120
11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting / Room 213
6:00 p.m. Cocaine Anonymous (CA) Meeting / FLC
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts Meeting / FLC

Wednesday, October 26

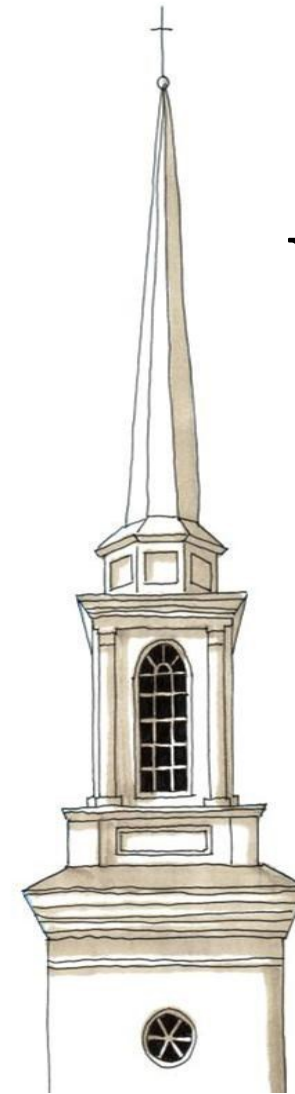
Lifetouch Photography Sittings
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Rooms 117 & 120
3:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Program / FLC
4:30 p.m. Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
5:00 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
5:30 p.m. Scholarship Fundraiser / Fellowship Hall
5:30 p.m. Evening Fellowship Meal / 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. Sonshine "Sunday" School Class / Parlor

Thursday, October 27

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Rooms 117 & 120
5:30 p.m. SPRC Meeting / FLC Senior Room

Friday, October 28

7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC



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Twenty-third Sunday
after Pentecost
October 23, 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.