

We Gather to Worship God

Can we pray the way Bartimaeus prays? People try to hush him up because by addressing Jesus as “Son of David” he is making a politically dangerous claim that Jesus is the rightful king. Could our prayers ever be heard as a threat to unjust powers-that-be? Bartimaeus won’t give up or go away quietly, but repeats his call for help more loudly. Do we ask boldly? And are our prayers an honest answer to Jesus’ question, “What do you want me to do for you?”

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Lord, I Stretch My Hand to You
Carillon Handbell Choir

Jay Althouse

INTROIT

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 110

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Ein’ Feste Burg

* OPENING DIALOGUE

Take heart! For we are gathered in the Father’s presence
to proclaim the wonders of the Lord.
Get up! For we are beckoned by the Risen Son
to respond to grace undeserved.
God is calling us! For we are united by the Spirit
to follow Jesus on the way.
Come, let us worship God.

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin, calling for God’s transforming power.
(silence is kept for reflection)

Merciful God,
we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.
We have failed to be an obedient church.
We have not done your will,
we have broken your law,
we have rebelled against your love,
we have not loved our neighbors,
and we have not heard the cry of the needy.
Forgive us, we pray.
Free us for joyful obedience,
through Jesus Christ our 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!

In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven! Amen.

* THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all.

And also with you.

**All may exchange signs of peace.*

ANTHEM

Praise the Lord
FUMC Chamber Orchestra

George Stromback

~ WE LISTEN FOR GOD’S WORD ~

THE FIRST LESSON

Job 42:1-6, 10-17

Then Job answered the LORD:

²“I know that you can do all things,

and that no purpose of yours can be thwarted.

³“Who is this that hides counsel without knowledge?”

Therefore I have uttered what I did not understand,
things too wonderful for me, which I did not know.

⁴“Hear, and I will speak;

I will question you, and you declare to me.”

⁵I had heard of you by the hearing of the ear,

but now my eye sees you;

⁶therefore I despise myself,
and repent in dust and ashes.”

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¹⁰And the LORD restored the fortunes of Job when he had prayed for
his friends; and the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had before.

¹¹Then there came to him all his brothers and sisters and all who had
known him before, and they ate bread with him in his house; they showed
him sympathy and comforted him for all the evil that the LORD had
brought upon him; and each of them gave him a piece of money and a
gold ring. ¹²The LORD blessed the latter days of Job more than his
beginning; and he had fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, a
thousand yoke of oxen, and a thousand donkeys. ¹³He also had seven sons
and three daughters. ¹⁴He named the first Jemimah, the second Keziah,
and the third Keren-happuch. ¹⁵In all the land there were no women so
beautiful as Job’s daughters; and their father gave them an inheritance
along with their brothers. ¹⁶After this Job lived one hundred and forty
years, and saw his children, and his children’s children, four generations.

¹⁷And Job died, old and full of days.
This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

THE ACT OF PRAISE

Psalm 34:1-8

Colin Gallagher, *soloist*

I will at all times bless the Lord
And in his praise will raise my voice;
I glory in him and his word,
Let all the humble now rejoice.

Proclaim God’s greatness now with me;

Let us exalt his Name as one;
I sought the Lord; he heard my plea,
And all my terrors now are gone.

Look then on God and let your joy
Shine in your faces radiantly
I called in my distress; he heard,
And from my troubles rescued me.

Around God’s people day by day
His angel stands with outstretched wing;
Taste, then, and see how happy they
Who trust the Lord in everything.

THE SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 7:23-28

²³Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were
prevented by death from continuing in office; ²⁴but he holds his priesthood
permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵Consequently he is able for
all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always
lives to make intercession for them. ²⁶For it was fitting that we should have
such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and
exalted above the heavens. ²⁷Unlike the other high priests, he has no need
to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of
the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. ²⁸For the law
appoints as high priests those who are subject to weakness, but the word of
the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made
perfect forever.

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ANTHEM

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name

Tom Fettke

* THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 10:46-52

⁴⁶They came to Jericho. As he and his disciples and a large crowd were
leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by
the roadside. ⁴⁷When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to
shout out and say, “Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁸Many
sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, “Son of
David, have mercy on me!” ⁴⁹Jesus stood still and said, “Call him here.”
And they called the blind man, saying to him, “Take heart; get up, he is
calling you.” ⁵⁰So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus.
⁵¹Then Jesus said to him, “What do you want me to do for you?” The blind
man said to him, “My teacher, let me see again.” ⁵²Jesus said to him, “Go;
your faith has made you well.” Immediately he regained his sight and
followed him on the way.

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CHILDREN’S MOMENTS *Night and Day*

Mr. Josh

*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 Josh Tietje

The Bartimaeus Effect

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

* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 451 *Slane*
Be Thou My Vision

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY *My Jesus, I Love Thee* Strombeck
FUMC Chamber Orchestra

* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95
~ **WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD** ~

* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 559 *Regent Square*
Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY J.S. Bach
Toccata and Fugue in D minor

* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and
in memory of Gregory Keith Martin for his birthday
by Julia Land and family.

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 worshippers 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.

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, October 28

9:00 a.m. Chamber Orchestra Rehearsal / Sanctuary
9:15 a.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. Sunday School
9:30 a.m. New Adult Study / Family Life Center / Room 101
9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM
10:30 a.m. Worship Service / Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. Chamber Orchestra Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
11:45 a.m. Pumpkin Patch Opens / Courtyard
2:30 p.m. Memorial Service for Amy Lovell Jenkins / Sanctuary
4:30 p.m. Trunk or Treat / 5th Ave.

Monday, October 29

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
11:00 a.m. Pumpkin Patch Opens / Courtyard
12:00 p.m. Noon Day Prayer / Hut Chapel Courtyard
1:00 p.m. Organ Reserved / Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts / FLC Room 104
6:00 p.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Room 205

Tuesday, October 30

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Educations Wing
11:00 a.m. Pumpkin Patch Opens / Courtyard
12:00 p.m. Noon Day Prayer / Hut Chapel Courtyard
6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
6:00 p.m. Cocaine Anonymous (CA) Meeting / FLC Room 102
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts / FLC Room 104
8:00 p.m. AA Meeting / FLC Room 102
8:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting / FLC Room 101

Wednesday, October 31

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
11:00 a.m. Pumpkin Patch Opens / Courtyard
12:00 p.m. Noon Day Prayer / Hut Chapel Courtyard
3:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Activities / FLC
4:00 p.m. Asbury Ringers Rehearsal / Room 211
4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class / Education Wing Room 123
4:30 p.m. Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105
4:45 p.m. Chime Choir Rehearsal / Room 211

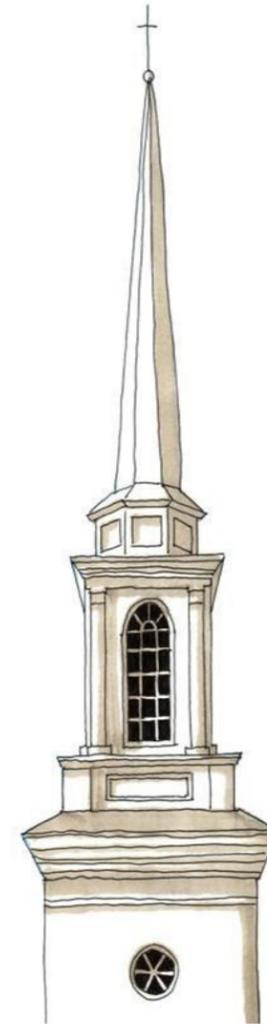
Thursday, November 1

All Saint's Day
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
10:00 a.m. Grimm Family receives guests / Commons
11:00 a.m. Memorial Service for Paul Grimm / Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts / FLC Room 104
7:00 p.m. Trinity UMC Family Activities / Education Wing

Friday, November 2

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC Room 102

The Pumpkin Patch is Open
Sunday / 11:45 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Monday - Wednesday / 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
All proceeds Will Go To Flood Victims.



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Twenty-Third Sunday
After Pentecost
October 28, 2018
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.