

# We Gather to Worship God

*Today, Paul urges us to encourage one another with the promised coming of the Lord. Jesus tells the parable of the wise and foolish bridesmaids. Surrounded by the faithful of every time and place, we celebrate Christ's coming in our midst in the word of life.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY *Jesus Loves Me* William Bradbury  
*Swiss Melody Bell Choir*

## INTROIT

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 117 *St. Anne*  
*O God Our Help in Ages Past*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

*God's decrees are established to teach our children  
That the next generation might know them and rise up to tell their children.  
So that they should set their hope in God  
And not forget the works of God but keep the commandments*

\* 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*

\* PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Generous and faithful God, we confess to you all the ways, known and unknown, that we reject and undermine your steadfast love. Though you made us your people, we treat strangers with suspicion. Though you forgave our debts, we collect without mercy. Yet we are quick to pass judgment on others. Have mercy on us, O God, and remember your promise to us, for the sake of 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.***

\* 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 Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 OT Pg. 215-216

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

THE ACT OF PRAISE Psalm 78:1-7 *Truro*

*Hear, O my people, what I say,  
Incline your ears to learn my ways;  
I will declare a parable,  
The mysteries of ancient days.*

*What our forefathers told to us  
And that which we have heard and known,  
The mighty works which God has done,  
Their children also must be shown.*

*We will recount to those to come  
The power of God and deeds he wrought;  
He gave a law to Israel  
Which now their children will be taught;*

*That generations still to come  
And children yet unborn be told,  
So they might trust God, not forget,  
But keep his judgments as of old.*

THE SECOND LESSON I Thessalonians 4:13-18 NT Pgs. 204-205

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ANTHEM *Sound Forth the Trumpet in Zion* Thomas Morely

\* THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 25:1-13 NT Pg. 28

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CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Rev. Kyle

*Get Ready!*

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.

THE SERMON Rev. Kyle Randle

*Waiting!*

HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 706 *Very Soon*

*Soon and Very Soon*

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

PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY Johann Walther

*Praise God the Lord, Ye Sons of Men*

\* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

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

\* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 540 *St. Thomas*

*I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord*

\* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY Eugene Gigout

*Grand Cheour Dialogue*

\* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Greg Martin for his birthday by his mother, Julia Land, his brother, George Martin, his sister, Tammy Hendrick, nephews, George Henry and Scott, nieces, Ann Marie and Emily.



### NOTES FOR WORSHIP

Numbers by the hymns, Affirmation of Faith, Doxology, 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.

### THINGS TO KNOW WHILE WORSHIPPING 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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- Tim.Whitten@fumconway.org (Dir. of Christian Ed.)
- Danny.Clonts@fumconway.org (Accountant)
- Office@fumconway.org (Ministry Asst.)

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

### Prayer Concerns

**Assisted Living Facilities:** Emeritus: Bobbie Davis; **Conway Manor:** Edith Lewis; **Kingston:** Ruth Coy; **Comelius, NC:** Helen Wakefield; **Mt. Prospect, IL:** Faye Perrault,

**At Home:** Betty Smith, Betty Woodward, Sylvia Avant, Betty James, Betty Folks, Mary T. Foxworth, Jane Gore, Gwen Mishoe, Diana Rodwell, Tootsie Atkins, Tommy Jordan, Irene Calhoun, Ruth Thomas.

### Serving This Sunday, November 9, 2014

**Altar Guild:** Anne Roof, Mary Ellen Scarborough, Margaret Ann Vaught

**Acolytes and Crucifer:** John Kelly Thompkins, Ross Fallow, Samuel Hickman

**Counting Committee:** (Sunday) George Martin, William Goldfinch (Monday) Maxine Dunn, Margaret Thompson, Nancy Stiltner

**Trustee Duty:** Ernie Turns, Justin Roof

**Sound Technician:** Lee Hickman / Charles Hucks / Thomas Hickman

**Children's Church:** Amanda Roof

**Ushers:** Carl Purvis (Chairman), Mike Thomas (Co-Chairman), Bill Foxworth, Bill Howle, Tom Overby, Carl Purvis, Justin Roof Mike Saville, Bob Sherry, Toby White

### This Week at First United Methodist Church

#### Sunday, November 9

- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast 100.9 FM
- 10:00 a.m. Swiss Melody Bell Rehearsal / Rm. 117
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary
- 4:45 p.m. King's Singers / Rm. 105
- 5:30 p.m. UMYF / 5th- 12th grades / FLC

#### Monday, November 10

- 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts / FLC

#### Tuesday, November 11

- Deadline for Bulletin
- 12:00 p.m. UMW General Meeting Luncheon / FLC
- 7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous / FLC

#### Wednesday, November 12

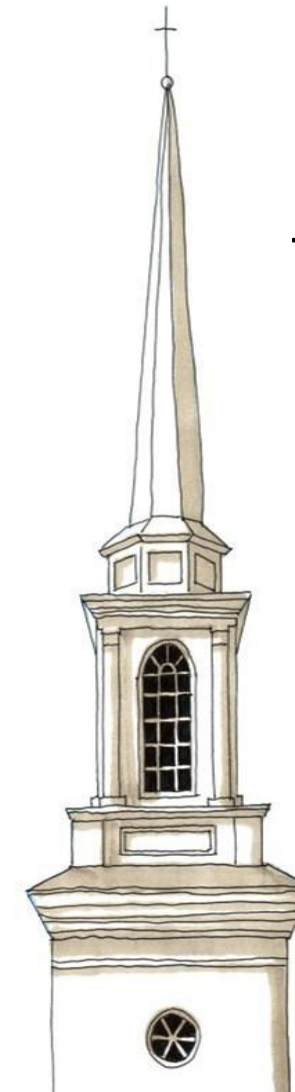
- 2:30 p.m. Children are picked up from school
- 3:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Activities / FLC
- 3:15 p.m. Cherub and Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Room 105
- 5:30 p.m. Church Family Meal / Fellowship Hall
- 6:15 p.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Room 205
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Advent Study / Rm. 216
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Room 105

#### Thursday, November 13

- 10:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study / FLC Senior Room
- 11:00 a.m. Staff Meeting / Upstairs Commons
- 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts / FLC
- 6:30 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting / FLC

#### Saturday, November 15

- Ann Myers / FLC



# First United Methodist Church

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Twenty-second Sunday  
after Pentecost

November 9, 2014  
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.