

# We Gather to Worship God

*We worship on the first day of the week because our Savior was raised on that day. Every Sunday is a little Easter. This Sunday as we celebrate Homecoming we are not only remembering our journey of faith as a community who proclaims the living Christ, we are celebrating our God is the God of the living.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY McChesney / McKlveen  
"Kindred Spirits"  
Carillon Choir

## INTROIT

\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 103 St. Denio  
"Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise"

## \* THE GREETING

From God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, grace and peace be with you all.  
*And also with you.*

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The Sun of righteousness shall rise with shining beams of healing. Let us gather under the wings of God's mercy. *Amen.*

Gracious God, *we acknowledge that we are sinners and we confess our sins—those known to us that burden our hearts, and those unknown to us but seen by you. We know that before you nothing remains hidden, and in you everything is revealed. Free us from the slavery of sin, liberate us from the bondage of guilt; and work in us that which is pleasing in your sight; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

With a heart full of mercy and compassion, God saves us and forgives us all our sins. *Amen.*

ANTHEM "Teach Me Your Way" Timothy Shaw  
Cherub and Wesley Treble Choirs  
Jo Anna Fallaw, flute

## \* 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 Genesis 12:14-18 OT. Pg. 11  
This is the word of God for the people of God  
*Thanks be to God.*

## STORY OF CELEBRATION

THE PSALTER Psalm 145:1-8 Alice Nelson  
*Cleansing Fountain*  
I will exalt and bless your Name  
Forever, God my King,  
And I will bless you every day,  
Your praise forever sing.  
Great is the Lord, much to be praised,  
His greatness has no end;  
The declaration of his power  
Shall age to age extend.

I will think on your majesty,  
The marvels you have done;  
They shall speak of your wondrous acts,  
I will tell of each one.  
They shall sing of your righteous deeds,  
Your goodness call to mind;  
The Lord is gracious, slow to wrath,  
Compassionate and kind.

## THE SECOND LESSON

2 Thessalonians 2: 13-17 NT Pg. 207

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

## STORY OF CELEBRATION

THE HYMN No. 140 George Jenkins  
"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" *Faithfulness*  
Verse 1

## CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

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. Rev. Kyle

## STORY OF CELEBRATION

THE HYMN No. 77 Phillip Thompson  
"How Great Thou Art" *How Great Thou Art*  
verse 1

## STORY OF CELEBRATION

THE ANTHEM Mary Catherine Smith  
"Order My Steps" Jack Schrader

## STORY OF CELEBRATION

## \* THE GOSPEL LITANY

Remembrances from Thurman Anderson  
 In the name of the God of Abraham and Sarah;  
**not of the dead but of the living;**  
 the God of Isaac, Rebekah, and Jacob,  
**not of the dead but of the living;**  
 the God of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
**not of the dead but of the living;**

Alice Nelson

*Cleansing Fountain*

the God of Mary, Peter, and Paul,  
**not of the dead but of the living;**  
 the God of Gladys, James, Floyd,  
 Sadie Rae, Mildred, Bob, Mary,  
 Lucas, Bud, Laura, Bennie, Jack and  
*(you are invited to lift up a name a loud)*  
 and all the saints,  
**not of the dead but of the living,**  
**for to God all of them are alive;**  
 we gather in the name of the Father, +Son, and Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**

## STORY OF CELEBRATION

THE HYMN No. 557 June Brown  
"Blest Be the Tie That Binds" *Dennis*  
Verse 1 & 3

## \* 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*

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER

After each petition, please respond  
 Hear us, O God.  
**Your mercy is great.**

OFFERTORY "Adagio (from Concerto in A minor)" J. S. Bach

OFFERTORY ANTHEM David Willcocks  
"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

\* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

\* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 545 Aurelia

"The Church's One Foundation"

## \* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY Charles-Marie Widor

"Toccata (from Symphony V)"

## \* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of  
 Greg Martin for his birthday, November 7  
 by Julia, George, Maryann, George Henry, Ann Marie  
 Keith, Tammy, Scott and Emily.

The flowers in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall  
 are in honor of John and Leah Thibodeau  
 on their Christian marriage celebrated on  
 Saturday, November 9, 2013.



**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 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 Asst.)

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

**Serving This Sunday November 10**

**Altar Guild:** Ashley Hood, Mary Ellen Scarborough, Margaret Ann Vaught  
**Acolytes and Crucifer:** Jade Edwards, Samuel Hickman, Jacob Johnson  
**Liturgist:** Tim Whitten  
**Counting Committee:** (Sunday) George Martin, William Goldfinch,  
 (Monday) Maxine Dunn, Margaret Thompson  
**Trustee Duty:** Ernie Turnes  
**Sound Technician:** Lee Hickman / Charles Hucks / Thomas Hickman  
**Ushers:** Carl Purvis (Chairman), Mike Thomas (Co-Chairman) Bill Foxworth,  
 Bill Howle, Tom Overby, Justin Roof, Mike Saville, Bob Sherry, Toby White.  
**Children's Church:** Nate and Alice Nelson

Stewardship & Attendance			
<b>Operating</b>	<b>14,564.05</b>	Sunday School	148
Chancel Choir Fund	25.00	Morning Worship	238
Advance Special Ministries	383.00	Wonderful Wednesday	81
Altar Guild Fund	25.00	Requiem Concert	205
Music Discretionary	50.00		
Children's Discretionary	30.00	Vienna Sausages	19
Requiem (11/1/2013)	174.00	Neutral Items	10
Building Fund	1,292.00		
Total	16,543.05		

**This Week at FUMC**

**Sunday, November 10: Homecoming**

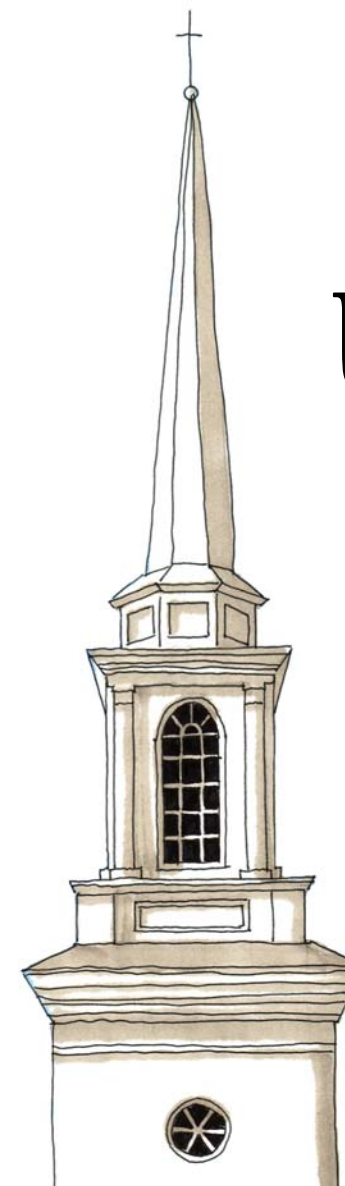
- 9:30 a.m. Carillon Rehearsal / Sanctuary
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 10:00 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast 100.9 FM
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service / Sanctuary
- 12:00 p.m. Covered Dish Luncheon / Fellowship Hall
- Monday, November 11**
- 10:30 a.m. "Coffee Talk" Bible Study & Discussion / FLC Senior Room

**Tuesday, November 12**

- 1:00 p.m. Stilley / Walsh Circle Meeting / FLC
- 7:00 p.m. UMW Executive Meeting / FLC

**Wednesday, November 13**

- 3:00 p.m. Children's Snack Time / Education Wing
- 3:15 p.m. Cherub and Wesley Treble Choirs Rehearsal / Rm. 105
- 4:00 p.m. W.W. Activities / Education Wing & FLC
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal / Fellowship Hall
- 6:15 p.m. Carillon Choir Rehearsal / Rm. 211
- 6:30 p.m. Advent Bible Study / Fellowship Hall
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Rm. 105



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Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
 Homecoming  
 November 10, 2013  
 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 and celebrate our heritage on this day of Homecoming. Through our songs, stories, words of praise, prayers and scripture reading, we give honor and glory to God. Let us rejoice together on this day as we remember our rich past, embrace our present, and look towards a wondrous future with God leading us.