

First Church at Worship

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Antonio Vivaldi

Autumn (from **The Four Seasons**)

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE GREETING

Beloved of God, called to be saints:
Grace, mercy and peace be with you all.
And also with you.

* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 715

Darwell's 148th

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Rejoice, the Lord is King!
Your Lord and King adore;
mortals, give thanks and sing,
and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart,
lift up your voice; rejoice;
again I say, rejoice.

Jesus the Savior reigns,
the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains,
he took his seat above.
Lift up your heart,
lift up your voice; rejoice,
again I say, rejoice.

His kingdom cannot fail;
he rules o'er earth and heaven;
the keys of earth and hell
are to our Jesus given.
Lift up your heart,
lift up your voice; rejoice,
again I say, rejoice.

* THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

ANTHEM

We Gather Together
Asbury Ringers

Edward Kremser

~ WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD ~

THE FIRST LESSON

2 Samuel 23:1-7

¹Now these are the last words of David:
The oracle of David, son of Jesse,
the oracle of the man whom God exalted,
the anointed of the God of Jacob,
the favorite of the Strong One of Israel:
²The spirit of the LORD speaks through me,
his word is upon my tongue.
³The God of Israel has spoken,
the Rock of Israel has said to me:

One who rules over people justly,
ruling in the fear of God,⁴ is like the light of morning,
like the sun rising on a cloudless morning,
gleaming from the rain on the grassy land.

⁵Is not my house like this with God?

For he has made with me an everlasting covenant,
ordered in all things and secure.

Will he not cause to prosper
all my help and my desire?

⁶But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away;
for they cannot be picked up with the hand;

⁷to touch them one uses an iron bar
or the shaft of a spear.

And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

The word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God.

THE ACT OF PRAISE

Psalm 132

Hursley

**Rise to your resting-place, O Lord,
You and the ark of your great might;
Let priests be clothed with righteousness,
Let all your saints sing with delight.**

**Let your anointed one regard
Your people, Lord, for David's sake;
The Lord has sworn to David once
In truth an oath he will not break.**

**"Your son will I set on your throne,
And if your heirs keep my decree,
Their children, too, will I set up
Upon your throne eternally."**

**The Lord has chosen Zion out,
Desired her for his resting-place;
"Here will I dwell forevermore;
I take delight in all her grace."**

THE SECOND LESSON

Revelation 1:4b-8

^{4b}Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

* SEQUENCE HYMN No. 2190

Bring Forth the Kingdom

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You are the salt of the earth, O people:
Salt for the Kingdom of God!
Share the flavor of life, O people:
Life in the Kingdom of God!

Refrain:

Bring forth the Kingdom of mercy, bring forth the Kingdom of peace;
bring forth the Kingdom of justice; bring forth the City of God!

* THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 18:33-37

³³Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

* SEQUENCE HYMN No. 2190

Bring Forth the Kingdom

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We are a blest and pilgrim people:
Bound for the Kingdom of God!
Love our journey and love our homeland,
Love is the Kingdom of God! **Refrain**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Mr. Josh

SERMON

Rev. Kyle D. Randle

~ WE RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL ~

ANTHEM

At the Name of Jesus

Cindy Berry

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Have mercy on us, O God.

We confess that we have sinned against you and against our neighbor. We have built walls instead of tables and have turned away the stranger. We have sought glory for ourselves and have treasured that which does not satisfy. Help us to love as you love, to welcome those you send, and to treasure mercy and justice. Turn us from our ways to your ways, and free us to serve those in need. Amen.

God, who makes all things new, forgives your sins for Jesus' sake and remembers them no more. Lift up your heads and your hearts. Yours is the kingdom of God.

Amen.

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.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does its successive journeys run, his kingdom spread from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song, and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.

Let Every Creature rise and bring honors peculiar to our King; angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen!

Improvisation on Nun Danket Alle Gott

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of all members who have entered the Church Triumphant.

This Week at FUMC

Sunday, November 21

Pick up your Family Advent Bags / Narthex and Commons
9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM
9:30 a.m. Sunday School / Education Building
10:30 a.m. Worship Service / Sanctuary
5:30 p.m. UMYF & Bridge Meeting / Family Life Center (FLC)

Monday, November 22

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
6:00 p.m. Quintet Rehearsal / Room 105
6:30 p.m. NA Meeting / FLC Room 102

Tuesday, November 23

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing
6:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC Room 102
8:00 p.m. AA Meeting / FLC Room 102
8:00 p.m. Al Anon Meeting / FLC Room 101

Thursday, November 25

Happy Thanksgiving!
Church Office is closed.
6:30 p.m. NA Meeting / FLC Room 102

Friday, November 26

Church Office is closed.
12:15 p.m. NA Meeting / FLC Room 102
7:00 p.m. CA Meeting / FLC Room 102

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Christ the King Sunday

November 21, 2021

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.

