

# We Gather to Worship God

*On this final Sunday of the church year before the season of Advent begins, we hear Jesus' story of the great judgment. In the end the faithful are those who served Christ by ministering to those who are poor, hungry, naked, sick, or estranged. In our first lesson, God is the shepherd who seeks the lost, weak, and injured and feeds them with justice. We gather this day to celebrate the reign of Christ and his victory over death. We go forth proclaiming the kingdom of God through loving words and deeds.*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING VOLUNTARY G. F. Handel  
*Overture in F*

INTROIT

\*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN No. 62 *Lasst Uns Erfreuen*  
*All Creatures of Our God and King*  
*(stz. 1, 5, and 7)*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

*Come and worship Christ,  
**the visible image of the invisible God,**  
the firstborn of creation,  
**the eternal God:**  
the one through whom all things were created,  
**and in whom all things are held together.**  
This is our God!  
**Let's worship together.***

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* No. 881

*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

*One with the communion of saints in all times and places, let us confess  
our sin against God and one another.*

*O God, our merciful redeemer, we confess the ways we live only for  
ourselves. We fail to see you in our neighbor's face. We turn our  
ears from voices that cry out. We pass by the hungry and the  
oppressed. In your great mercy, forgive our sin and strengthen us for  
service to all in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

*In the name of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for you and  
for his sake, God forgives all our sin. Blessed are you! Rejoice and be  
glad, beloved people of God. 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 Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 OT Pgs. 803-804

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

THE ACT OF PRAISE Psalm 100 *Old Hundredth*

*Serve God with gladness, all you lands,  
And come before him with a song;  
The Lord is God and we are his,  
The sheep who in his field belong.*

*Go then into his courts with praise,  
Give thanks and call upon his Name;  
For God is good, his mercy sure,  
His faithfulness always the same.*

THE SECOND LESSON Ephesians 1:15-23 NT Pg. 192

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ANTHEM Malcolm Archer

*King of All Glory Throned on High*

\* THE GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 25:31-46 NT Pg. 29

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CHILDREN'S MOMENTS Hats! Rev. Kyle

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 Randle

*Alternative Reality*

\* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 581 *Beach Spring*  
*Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service*

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS No. 39

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

THE PASTORAL PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERTORY Henry Purcell

*Voluntary V*

\* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Doxology No. 95

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

\* THE HYMN OF SENDING No. 157 *Duke Street*

*Jesus Shall Reign*

\* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL RESPONSE

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY William Walton

*Coronation March*

\* CONGREGATION STANDING

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and  
in loving memory of Kaye Ramsey Thompkins  
by Margaret Ann and Johnny Vaught,  
and her grandchildren, Emily and John Kelly Thompkins.

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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.

## WELCOME TO FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### Newcomers and Guests

Welcome! 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. Rev. Randle will contact you later in the week.

### We welcome children into our worship!

Children are part of the family of God. They learn how to worship God by seeing other people worship. Children are welcome in the church to worship with their parents or caregivers. We understand that sometimes it is hard to be present in worship with young children. If you choose, we have a nursery for infants and toddlers.

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. An usher will direct you to the nursery.

### Have a hard time hearing?

If you can't hear the service, please let an usher know. We have hearing assist devices which will help even the most hard of hearing to participate in the service!

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.

### Prayer Concerns

**Assisted Living/Rehab Facilities:** Anderson Oaks: Mary T. Foxworth; Brookdale: Bobbie Davis, Harriet Edwards; Agape: Mary Hucks, Mt. Prospect, IL: Faye Perrault; Martinez, GA: Helen Wakefield

**At Home:** Savannah Seremet, Lois Vaught, Nancy Stiltner, Beccy Ward, JoAnn Wiegand, Lois Sechriest, David Reimschuessel, Irby Koon, Julia Land, Myron and Maxine Dunn, Eugenia Benton, Rebecca Howell, Betty Folks, Gwen Mishoe, Billy Joe Calhoun, Ruth Thomas, Ted Boyd.

## Serving This Sunday, November 26

**Altar Guild:** Anne Roof, Mary Ellen Scarborough, Margaret Ann Vaught  
**Acolytes and Crucifer:** Samuel Hickman, Jonas Randle, Ben Chanaca  
**Counting Committee:** Sallie Goldfinch, Sarah Staub  
**Trustee Duty:** Dawne Clonts, John Sawyer  
**Bus Duty:** David Jordan  
**Children's Church:** William and Robin Hardwick  
**Sound Technicians:** Lee Hickman, Charles Hucks  
**Ushers:** Carl Purvis (Chairman), Bill Foxworth, David Jordan, Tom Overby, Justin Powell, Justin Roof, Mike Saville, Mike Thomas, Bob Wiley, Ben Yenicek.

### This Week at FUMC

#### Sunday, November 26

9:30 a.m. Sunday School  
9:30 a.m. Faithful Bible Study / Family Life Center (FLC)  
9:30 a.m. The Hut Bible Class / Broadcast WRNN 99.5 FM  
9:50 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal / Choir Room 105  
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship / Sanctuary  
12:00 p.m. Christmas Musical Rehearsal / Sanctuary  
4:00 p.m. Advent Market / Fellowship Hall

#### Monday, November 27

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing  
12:00 p.m. Advent Luncheon / St. Paul's Anglican Church  
6:00 p.m. United Methodist Men Meeting / Fellowship Hall  
6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts / FLC

#### Tuesday, November 28

8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing  
9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting / Room 215  
6:00 p.m. Cocaine Anonymous (CA) Meeting / FLC  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts / FLC  
8:00 p.m. Al-Anon Meeting / FLC Senior Room

#### Wednesday, November 29

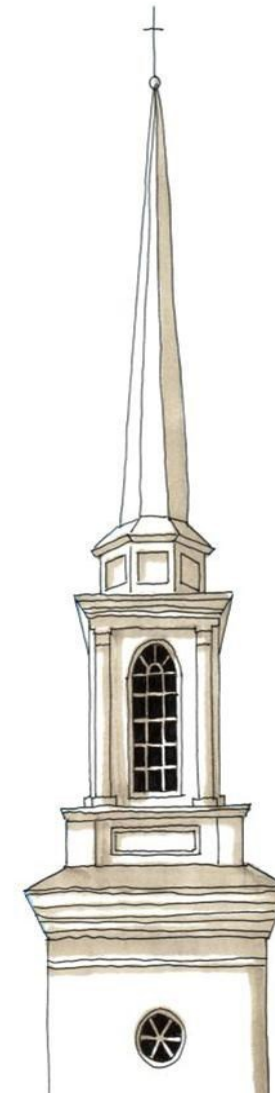
8:30 a.m. Preschool / Education Wing  
3:00 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday Activities / FLC  
4:30 p.m. Wesley Treble Choir Rehearsal / Room 105  
4:30 p.m. Chime Choir (Grades 1 & 2) / Room 211  
5:10 p.m. Voices in Bronze (Grades 3-5) Rehearsal / Room 211  
5:10 p.m. Cherub Choir Rehearsal / Room 105  
5:30 p.m. Wednesday Evening Meal / Fellowship Hall  
6:15 p.m. Down to Earth Bible Study / Room 217  
6:15 p.m. "Kingdom Woman" Ladies Bible Study / Room 216  
6:45 p.m. Handbell Concert / Sanctuary  
8:00 p.m. Sonshine Class Meeting / Parlor

#### Thursday, November 30

8:30 Preschool / Education Wing

#### Friday, December 1

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



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Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost  
Christ the King Sunday  
November 26, 2017  
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.

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online through our secure  
database, REALM.