



At First United Methodist Church, we are each alive in Christ, united in nurturing fellowship, reaching out to share God's boundless love.

February 14, 2021

11:00 a.m.

Transfiguration Sunday

Without Exception. God Loves Everyone.

Come Join Our Journey at First UMC.

We warmly welcome you to First UMC and our worship service! We are glad you are here with us today! We'd love to help you connect with God and with other people through First UMC.

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome

Rev. Kirk Tutterow

Opening Voluntary - "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

by Helen Lemmel

Phyllis Jones, organ

Call to Worship

Leader: The glory of God shines like a consuming fire.

People: **We have seen the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.**

Leader: The voice of God thunders like a mighty storm.

People: **Out of the cloud, God speaks:**

This is my beloved Son; listen to him!

Song of Praise - "Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

by Charles Wesley

Dora Cardona, vocalist

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only light,
Sun of Righteousness, arise, triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.

Dark and cheerless is the morn unaccompanied by thee;
joyless is the day's return, till thy mercy's beams I see;
till they inward light impart, cheer my eyes and warm my heart.

Visit then this soul of mine; pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, Radiancy divine, scatter all my unbelief;
more and more thyself display, shining to the perfect day.

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

We Worship with our Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison)

Gracious God,

**We give you thanks for the light of love around us
and the fire of faith within us.**

As we go forth from this place

**let our lives reflect the One who is the image of your glory:
Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.**

A Time For the Child In All of Us

Amanda Bostick

Anthem - "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth"

by G. F. Handel

Dora Cardona, vocalist

Scripture - Mark 9:2-9 (NT Page 44)

Sermon - "Mountaintop Moment"

Rev. Cheryl Skinner

Response of Faith - "A Modern Affirmation"

Where the Spirit of the Lord is,
there is the one true church, apostolic and universal,
whose holy faith let us now declare:

**We believe in God the Father,
infinite in wisdom, power, and love,
whose mercy is over all his works,
and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ,
Son of God and Son of man,
the gift of the Father's unfailing grace,
the ground of our hope,
and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit
as the divine presence in our lives,
whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance
of the truth of Christ,
and find strength and help in time of need.**

**We believe that this faith should manifest itself
in the service of love
as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,
to the end that the kingdom of God
may come upon the earth. Amen.**

Song of Response - "Spirit Song"

by John Wimber

Dora Cardona, vocalist

O let the Son of God enfold you with his Spirit and his love.

Let him fill your heart and satisfy your soul.

O let him have the things that hold you, and his Spirit like a dove
will descend upon your life and make you whole.

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

O come and sing this song with gladness
as your hearts are filled with joy.

Lift your hands in sweet surrender to his name.

O give him all your tears and sadness; give him all your years of pain,
and you'll enter into life in Jesus' name.

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

Jesus, O Jesus, come and fill your lambs.

* **Benediction**

Chimes of the Trinity

* **Postlude** - "All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name" *arr. Frederick Steffen*
Phyllis Jones, organ

Flowers

The flowers in the narthex are given to the glory of God and in honor of Reverends Cheryl Skinner and Kirk Tutterow by Betty Gregory and Mike Frick.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in honor and celebration of their 52nd wedding anniversary on February 2 by Barbara and John McWhorter.

Sympathy

Sympathy of the ministers and the members of the congregation is extended to Sharon Moody and family upon the death of her husband, Willard Moody, on February 6, 2021.

Sympathy of the ministers and the members of the congregation is extended to the family of Marie Powers Stone upon the occasion of her death on February 8, 2021.

Know your 3 W's



WEAR

a cloth face covering.



WAIT

6 feet apart and
avoid close contact.



WASH

your hands often or
use hand sanitizer

Announcements

Remember to visit our website www.fumclex.org to stay connected with the latest news, calendar updates, recorded worship services, bulletin, and newsletter.

February Blood Drive Tuesday, February 16 (2p-6:30p)

Fellowship Hall - Be a SWEETHEART and GIVE! You may schedule an appointment on our website or contact the church office.



Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday, February 17 at 12:00 noon

A brief service with the **imposition of ashes** during our usual Wednesday Midday Prayer Gathering in the Sanctuary.

Drive-Thru Imposition of Ashes Times and Locations

Wednesday, February 17

9 - 11am

- Parking Lot of First Baptist Church on Third Avenue (Rev. Alan Suber and Rev. Brian Alexander)
- East First and Salisbury Streets between First Reformed UCC and St. Stephens UMC (Rev. Kathy Watford and Rev. Arnetta Beverly)

10am

- Drive thru at First Lutheran Church 320 South State Street (Rev. Matt Miller)

12 - 2pm

- East First and Salisbury Streets between First Reformed UCC and St. Stephens UMC (Rev. Elizabeth Horton and Rev. Lester Smith)

5 - 7pm

- Parking Lot of **First United Methodist (State Street side)** and First Presbyterian Churches (**Rev. Kirk Tutterow, Rev. Cheryl Skinner** and Dr. Nancy Jo Dederer)

Lenten Wednesday Prayer Services

12:00 noon in the Sanctuary

Dates & Prayer Practices:

February 17—Confession

February 24—Creating Sacred Space

March 3—Lectio Divina

March 10—Breath Prayers

March 17—Centering Prayer

March 24—Journaling

March 31— Body Prayers



♥ *Happy Valentines Day* ♥

PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE TO ADD OR REMOVE A NAME FROM THE PRAYER LIST.

Prayer Requests:

Short Term (8 weeks or less)

*Jimmy Thomason (2-9-21)
Mary Louise Hartman (2-9-21)
*Steve & Gay Smith (2-3-21)

Long Term

Betty Jean Whitaker (2-9-21)
Ron & Kristie Wooten (2-9-21)
*Robert Phelps (2-4-21)
Jan Greer (2-3-21)
*Jane Cook Harris (1-27-21)
*Mary Louise Wilkerson (1-27-21)
Cora Tews (1-27-21)
*Kathy Baragona (1-1-21)
*Judy Hensch (1-1-21)
*Earl Hester (1-1-21)
*Creth Holman (1-1-21)
*John Scarff (1-1-21)
*Dare Wilson (1-1-21)
Jamy Cartner Christy (12-30-20)
Ann Leonard (12-30-20)
Bentley Leonard (12-27-20)
Tami Robinson (12-25-20)
*Betty Pope (12-8-20)
Richard Skinner (12-3-20)
Martha Shore Winters (10-12-20)
Keith Tutterow (9-21-20)
*Linda Fisher (9-15-20)
*Lloyd Brown (9-13-20)
Nicholas Melomo (8-12-20)
Russ (8-2-20)
Alma Kernodle (8-2-20)
*Chasen Martin (7-27-20)
*Shane Martin (7-23-20)
*Sue Corn (6-30-20)
Jason, Stacy & Trent Heitman (6-30-20)
Norma S. Trotter (6-30-20)
*Dean Davis (6-24-20)
Mark Milligan (6-24-20)
*Rachel Hendrix (6-22-20)
Kendall Conner (6-8-20)
*Larlie Mae Knight (6-8-20)
Maria Hilliard (6-5-20)
Shannon & Steve Ford (1-22-20)

Kelli Jones (3-12-17)
Kristin Harris (9-21-16)
Jenny Rains (11-22-15)
Eric Leonard (9-20-15)
Len & Dottie Harris (5-10-15)
John Bruce Davis (4-26-15)
Jordan Beswick (4-5-15)
Regina Chrest (4-5-15)
Louise Michael
Emily Hounshell
Pat & Gary Leonard
Lynn Mack & family
Faye Graham
David Ogle
Anna Smathers
Pat Wilson
Jack Smith
Jane King
Ethan Reavis
Debra Ann Leonard
Bruce Thornton

Shut-Ins

Tempie Almstead (Abbotts Creek)
*Lacy Carol Belcher
*Bonnie Cates
*Jean Gosnell
*Dot Kinsey
*Caroline McCree
*Evelyn Sink
*Dr. Hunter Strader
*Flonnie & Jimmy Thomason
*Mary Williams

Piedmont Crossing (Thomasville)

Health Care

*Barbara Proctor
*Nancy Wilkinson

Piedmont Crossing (Thomasville)

Residents

*Jo Doris Beck
*Betsy & Jim Buchanan
*Herman Crabtree
*Adrian Neal
*Madeline Palmer

Benton House (Charleston, SC)

*Janice Bacon

Brookdale (Lexington)

*Joe Sink

Elmcroft (Salisbury)

*Sandra & Jimmy Shoaf

The Laurels at Highland Creek (Charlotte)

*Carolyn Briggs

Wood Haven (Albemarle)

*Louise Pope

Serving in the Armed Forces

*Capt. Kacie Allred
*Specialist McRay Calderone
*SGT John Hall
SGT Alan Ingram
Major Jarrad Thorley

Our Stewardship for God's Work Everyone is a part of God's stewardship.

Just a gentle reminder that you may continue to give during this "stay home" period we are currently observing due to COVID-19.

You may send your tithes and offerings by mail, drop by the church office and online.

Report for February 7, 2021

YTD Income: \$79,692.21

YTD Expenses: \$46,798.01

Net Income (Loss): \$32,894.20



Online Giving For mobile device users, the QR (Quick Response) code will take you to a secure mobile site for Online Giving from your smartphone or tablet. **On your first visit**, you will need to create a profile.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, February 14

Transfiguration Sunday

- 9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School via Zoom
10:00 a.m. Faith & Friends Sunday School via Zoom
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service, Sanctuary (**Reservation required—**
Nursery provided: Birth—Kindergarten only)
11:00 a.m. **LIVE** streamed Morning Worship on YouTube
5:00 p.m. Teens of Life Youth, Home of Emy & Greg Garrett

Monday, February 15

- 9a-5p Church Office Open
Make your worship reservation today!
10:30 a.m. Staff Meeting, FH
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Youth/Scout House

Tuesday, February 16

- 9a-5p Church Office Open
Make your worship reservation today!
10:00 a.m. Disciple Fast Track Bible Study via Zoom
12:30p-2p Set-Up for Blood Drive
2p-6:30p Blood Drive, Fellowship Hall
5:45 p.m. Teens of Life Youth serve evening meal, Crisis Ministry
7:00 p.m. Disciple Fast Track Bible Study via Zoom

Wednesday, February 17

Ash Wednesday

- 9a-5p Church Office Open
Make your worship reservation today!
9a-7p Drive-Thru Imposition of Ashes (**Refer to Times & Locations
located in the bulletin announcements**)
12:00 p.m. Lenten Prayer Service & Imposition of Ashes, Sanctuary—
This Week's Prayer Practice: Confession

Thursday, February 18

- 9a-5p Church Office Open

Friday, February 19

- 9a-2p Church Office Open

Saturday, February 20

Sunday, February 21

First Sunday of Lent

- 9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School via Zoom
10:00 a.m. Faith & Friends Sunday School via Zoom
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service, Sanctuary (**Reservation required—**
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11:00 a.m. **LIVE** streamed Morning Worship on YouTube



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