



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

July 25, 2021

8:45 a.m.

9th Sunday after Pentecost

**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.

Welcome

Rev. Kirk Tutterow

Gathering Music - "Open Hands"

by Brian Walker

Call to Worship

Leader: Why have you come to this place?

People: **We are tired in body and spirit.**

Leader: Why have you come today?

People: **We have come to follow Jesus.**

Leader: Come and eat your fill.

People: **But there are only five barley loaves and two fish.**

Leader: There is plenty for all.

People: **Jesus gathers the fragments of our lives,
that nothing may be lost.**

Leader: Come! Let us worship.

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

**Generous God, you give us what we need
and satisfy our desires in due season.**

**Grant that our inner beings may be strengthened
through your Spirit,**

**and that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith
that you may accomplish within us
far more than all we ask or can imagine. Amen.**

Invitation to Praise - "Ten Thousand Reasons"

by Matt Redmon

The ALIVE! Praise Band

Chorus: Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul, worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul, I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning.
It's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me,
let me be singing when the evening comes.

Chorus

You're rich in love and you're slow to anger.
Your name is great and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness I will keep on singing,
ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Chorus

And on that day when my strength is failing,
the end draws near and my time has come.
Still my soul will sing your praise unending,
ten thousand years and then forevermore

Chorus

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Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Kirk Tutterow

We Worship with our Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison)

Most Gracious God,

we rejoice with thanksgiving for all we have received. Multiply these gifts that we give so that the world may more deeply know fullness of life in you. Amen.

A Time For the Child In All of Us

Amanda Bostick

Anthem - "One Thing Remains"

by Brian Johnson

Scripture - John 6:1-21

Sermon - "Abundance vs. Scarcity"

Rev. Cheryl Skinner

Response of the Church - A Modern Affirmation

Where the Spirit of the Lord is,
there is 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.**

Invitation to Abundance - "Good, Good Father"

by Anthony Brown

I've heard a thousand stories of what they think You're like,
but I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night.
You tell me that you're pleased and that I'm never alone.

Chorus

You're a good, good Father.
It's who you are, it's who you are, it's who you are.
And I'm loved by you; it's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am.

I've seen many searching for answers far and wide,
but I know we're all searching for answers only you provide.
Because you know just what we need before we say a word

Repeat chorus

You are perfect in all of your ways.
You are perfect in all of your ways.
You are perfect in all of your ways to us.

Love so undeniable, I can hardly speak.
Peace so unexplainable, I can hardly think as you call me deeper still,
as you call me deeper still, as you call me deeper still,
Into love, love, love.

Repeat chorus

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Benediction

Chimes of the Trinity

Traveling Music - "Open Hands"

by Brian Walker

Flowers

The flowers in the narthex are given to the glory of God and in memory of Bill Inabinett by Joyce Inabinett.

Announcements

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



ARE YOU READY?

A Proclamation from the Knights of North Castle
Join Our Quest at VBS!

Sunday, July 25 through Thursday, July 29

5:30p—8:00p

Dinner included

Registration forms are available
on our website & the Volunteer's Desk.

Need More Details? Contact Amanda Bostick



United Methodist Men

Thursday, July 29 (6:00p)

Join us at the Bar-B-Que Center
for a dinner meeting.



Blood Drive!

Be A Lifesaver!

Give the Gift of Life!

Tuesday, August 10

(2:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.)

Fellowship Hall

You may schedule an
appointment to be a blood
donor on our website or
contact the church office.



Mark Your Calendar! Sunday August 15

RECONNECT with Friends & Neighbors

RE-ENGAGE in Worship & Mission

RENEW Your Journey with Christ

READ event details in *The Story* (July 2021) and on

our website www.fumclex.org

Mission Opportunities

(Drop off items in the main hallway near the work room.)

Pastor's Pantry: Canned Soups and Stews, Canned Tuna/Chicken,
Canned Green Beans

Open Hands Ministry of Davidson County

- Clean & Gently Used **bath towels & washcloths**
- Personal Care Items: **shampoo, bar soap, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc.** (Travel size items will work quite well.)

Prayer Requests:

Please note the date beside of each name representing when the request was made and/or an update. All are encouraged to review the list and contact the church office to add or remove a name from the prayer list.

Short Term (8 weeks or less)

The Family of Sheyla Ramos

The Family of Bobby Bell

The Family of Helen Pope

*Steve & Gay Smith (7-21-21)

*Monty Oliver (7-19-21)

*Betty Pope (7-19-21)

*Mary Niner (7-18--21)

*Max Lanning (7-18-21)

Sandy Moroney (7-14-21)

*Caroline McCree (7-14-21)

*Steve Caudill (7-14-21)

*Pete Murray (7-13-21)

*Libby Simpson (7-12-21)

Gary Leonard (7-12-21)

*Lauren Hall (7-11-21)

*Mary Plyde Bell (6-28-21)

*Sue Corn (6-14-21)

*Dick Bisbee (6-14-21)

*Judy Hench (6-6-21)

Bill Shepherd (4-14-21)

Jayne Cartner Christy (4-11-21)

Wade Clodfelter (4-7-21)

Doris Brown (3-29-21)

Bill Bingham (3-15-21)

*Earl Hester (3-10-21)

*Lacy Carol Belcher (3-7-21)

Mark Milligan (2-12-21)

Jan Greer (2-11-21)

Betty Jean Whitaker (2-9-21)

Ron & Kristie Wooten (2-9-21)

*Kathy Baragona (1-1-21)

*Dean Davis (1-1-21)

*John Scarff (1-1-21)

*Dare Wilson (1-1-21)

Bentley Leonard (12-27-20)

Martha Shore Winters (10-12-20)

Nicholas Melomo (8-12-20)

*Shane Martin (7-23-20)

Maria Hilliard (6-5-20)

Shannon & Steve Ford (1-22-20)

Benton House (Charleston, SC)

*Janice Bacon

Elmcroft (Salisbury)

*Sandra Shoaf

The Laurels at Highland

Creek (Charlotte)

*Carolyn Briggs

Long Term Care (Florida)

*Mary Williams

Serving in the Armed Forces

*Capt. Kacie Allred

*Specialist McRay Calderone

*SGT John Hall

SGT Alan Ingram

Major Jarrad Thorley

Long Term

Marc Frye (7-21-21)

Cora Tews (7-19-21)

*Gail Biesecker (7-14-21)

*Sally Maxwell (7-12-21)

*Jane Cook Harris (6-24-21)

Tami Robinson (6-23-21)

*Mary Louise Wilkerson (6-20-21)

Barry Leonard (6-16-21)

Keith Tutterow (6-16-21)

Norma S. Trotter (6-15-21)

Alma Kernodle (6-11-21)

Jim McDermott (6-10-21)

Hoy Lanning, Jr. (5-20-21)

Rae Hall (5-20-21)

Caroline Wagner Loder (5-13-21)

Dr. Garrett Breakiron (5-12-21)

Kendall Conner (5-11-21)

Sheryl Michener (4-21-21)

Jason & Stacy Heitman Family (4-18-21)

Gina & Russ Parrot (4-16-21)

Lynn Mack (4-15-21)

Jane King (4-15-21)

*Linda Fisher (4-15-21)

Shut-Ins

*Jean Gosnell

*Caroline McCree

*Evelyn Sink

*Dr. Hunter Strader

*Flonnie Thomason

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

*Karen & Bob Pearson

Abbott's Creek

Tempie Almstead

Our Stewardship for God's Work This stewardship report is given so you may follow our financial progress throughout the year. Please review and thoughtfully pray over this report. Everyone is a part of God's stewardship.

Report for July 18, 2021

YTD Income: \$335,226.54

YTD Expenses: \$278,637.36

Change In Financial Position (Loss): \$56,589.18

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, July 25

- 8:45 a.m. Early Worship, Church Lawn — *In the event of inclement weather, we will move to the sanctuary.*
- 9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School (Agape, Genesis, Koinonia/Spruill), ZOOM
- 9:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School (Adult Fellowship), Classroom
- 10:00 a.m. Faith & Friends Sunday School via ZOOM
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. **LIVE** streamed Morning Worship on YouTube
- 5:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School, church lawn, until 8:00 p.m.**

Monday, July 26

- 5:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School, church lawn, until 8:00 p.m.**
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Youth/Scout House

Tuesday, July 27

- 5:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School, church lawn, until 8:00 p.m.**

Wednesday, July 28

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, Fellowship Hall
- 12:00 p.m. Midday Prayer Gathering, Sanctuary
- 5:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School, church lawn, until 8:00 p.m.**

Thursday, July 29

- 5:30 p.m. Vacation Bible School, church lawn, until 8:00 p.m.**
- 6:00 p.m. United Methodist Men, Bar-B-Q Center

Friday, July 30

Saturday, July 31

Sunday, August 1

- 8:45 a.m. Early Worship, Church Lawn — *In the event of inclement weather, we will move to the sanctuary.*
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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



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