



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

June 6, 2021

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

*2nd Sunday after Pentecost
Graduate 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. Cheryl Skinner

Gathering Music

*(8:45 a.m.) "God of Grace and God of Glory/The Rejoicing" arr. by Cindy Berry
Phyllis Jones, piano*

*(11:00 a.m.) "Down to the River to Pray" arr. by Allison Kraus
Isabella Ellis, vocals - Asher Ellis, vocals & guitar*

Call to Worship - adapted from Psalm 130

Leader: With God, there is forgiveness.

People: **With God, there is steadfast love.**

Leader: With God, there is great power to redeem.

People: **We wait for the Lord, who is our hope.**

Through the long night,

we watch for God more passionately

than for the sun's first light!

Prayer of the Day - unison - adapted from 2 Corinthians 4

God of days, we praise your name, for your grace sustains us.

We wait for you, Lord, for your word strengthens us.

Our outer nature is grows older day by day,

but our inner nature is being renewed by your daily bread.

Grant us the eyes to see what cannot be seen

and to gaze on what is eternal.

May we revel in your work

and be a visible witness of your invisible kingdom.

In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Song of Praise No. 57 - "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

by Charles Wesley & John Zundel

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
to spread thro' all the earth abroad the honors of your name.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease,
'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the power of cancelled sin, he sets the prisoner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean; his blood availed for me.

To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given
by saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven.

We Worship with our Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison)

Eternal God,

your son Jesus teaches us that a house divided cannot stand.

Together, we offer ourselves and our gifts,

that they may be used to extend your grace to others

for your glory, through Jesus our Lord. Amen.

A Time For the Child In All of Us

Amanda Bostick

Recognition of 2021 Graduates (11:00 worship only)

Please refer to the insert in today's bulletin.

Anthem

(8:45 a.m.) "Adoration"

by Mark Hayes

Phyllis Jones, piano

(11:00 a.m.) "Rise Up"

by Andra Day

Isabella Ellis, vocals - Asher Ellis, vocals & guitar

Scripture - Mark 3:20-35

Sermon - "Jesus' Truth and Fake News"

Rev. Kirk Tutterow

Song of Response No.121 - "There's A Wideness In God's Mercy"

by Frederick W. Farber

(sung to the tune BEACH SPRING)

There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea.

There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.

There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven.

There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given.

But we make God's love to narrow by false limits of our own;

and we magnify God's strictness with a zeal God will not own.

Was there ever kinder shepherd, half so gently, half so sweet,

as the Savior who would have us come and gather at his feet?

For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind.

And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.

If our love were but more faithful, we would rest upon God's Word,

and our lives reflect thanksgiving for the goodness of our Lord.

Invitation to Holy Communion

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him,
who earnestly repent of their sin
and seek to live in peace with one another.
Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession (In unison)

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the way of peace.
Come into the brokenness of our lives and our land
with your healing love.
Help us to be willing to bow before you in true repentance,
and to bow before one another in real forgiveness.
By the fire of your Holy Spirit, melt our hard hearts
and consume the pride and prejudice which separate us.
Fill us, O Lord, with your perfect love, which casts out fear,
and bind us together in that unity
which you share with the Father and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.
(You are invited to a time of silent confession...)

Words of Assurance

The Lord God is merciful and gracious,
endlessly patient, loving, and true, showing mercy to all who ask
forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin, and granting pardon.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
Thanks be to God!

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them up to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere...
...And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ...
....And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving
as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us,
as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

(Open to continue on center panel)

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,
and on these gifts of bread and wine.
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,
that we may be for the world the body of Christ,
redeemed by his blood.

**By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other,
and one in ministry to all the world,
until Christ comes in final victory
and we feast at his heavenly banquet.
Through your Son Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,
all honor and glory is yours, almighty God. Now and forever.
AMEN!**

The Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison)

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery
in which you have given yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit,
to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Song of Response No. 2223 (THE FAITH WE SING) -

"They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love" by Peter Scholtes

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord;
And we pray that all unity will one day be restored.

Chorus:

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love,
yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
We will walk with each other, we will walk hand in hand;
And together we'll spread the news that God is in our land.

Chorus

We will work with each other, we will work side by side;
We will work with each other, we will work side by side;
And we'll guard human dignity and save human pride.

Chorus

All praise to the Father, from whom all things come;
And all praise to Christ Jesus, His only Son.
And all praise to the Spirit who makes us one.

Chorus

Benediction

Chimes of the Trinity

Traveling Music

*(8:45 a.m.) "In Christ There Is No East or West" arr. by Mark Hayes
Phyllis Jones, piano*

*(11:00 a.m.) "I'll Fly Away" by Albert Brumley
Isabella Ellis, vocals - Asher Ellis, vocals & guitar*

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)

*Mary Niner (5-24-21)
*Terri Beck (5-20-21)
*Libby Simpson (5-20-21)
*Steve & Gay Smith (5-20-21)
*Judy Hench (5-20-21)
*Monty Oliver (5-18-21)
Peggy Wegwart (5-18-21)
*Steve Caudill (5-17-21)
Tim Leahy (5-6-21)
Marc Frye (4-29-21)
*Dick Bisbee (4-26-21)
*Sue Corn (4-26-21)
*Gail Biesecker (4-22-21)
Barry Leonard (4-21-21)
*Lauren Hall (4-13-21)

Long Term

Ted Mitchell (5-20-21)
Hoy Lanning, Jr. (5-20-21)
Rae Hall (5-20-21)
Caroline Wagner Loder (5-13-21)
Dr. Garrett Breakiron (5-12-21)
*Mary Louise Wilkerson (5-11-21)
*Jane Cook Harris (5-11-21)
Kendall Conner (5-11-21)
Tami Robinson (4-26-21)
*Sally Maxwell (4-22-21)
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)
Bill Shepherd (4-14-21)
Jayme 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)
Keith Tutterow (2-11-21)

Mark Milligan (2-12-21)
Jan Greer (2-11-21)
Norma S. Trotter (2-11-21)
Betty Jean Whitaker (2-9-21)
Ron & Kristie Wooten (2-9-21)
Cora Tews (1-27-21)
*Kathy Baragona (1-1-21)
*Creth Holman (1-1-21)
*Dean Davis (1-1-21)
Alma Kernodle (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)

Shut-Ins

Tempie Almstead (Abbotts Creek)
*Jean Gosnell
*Dot Kinsey
*Caroline McCree
*Evelyn Sink
*Dr. Hunter Strader
*Flonnie Thomason
*Mary Williams

Piedmont Crossing

(Thomasville)

Health Care

*Barbara Proctor
*Nancy Wilkinson

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(Thomasville)

Residents

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

Benton House (Charleston, SC)

*Janice Bacon

Elmcroft (Salisbury)

*Sandra Shoaf

The Laurels at Highland

Creek (Charlotte)

*Carolyn Briggs

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 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 May 30, 2021

YTD Income: \$269,929.17

YTD Expenses: \$213,365.27

Change In Financial Position (Loss): \$56,563.90

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, June 6

Graduate Sunday

- 8:45 a.m. Early Worship, Church Lawn
9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School (Agape, Koinonia/Spruill) via ZOOM
9:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School (Adult Fellowship, Genesis), Classrooms
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

Monday, June 7

- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Youth/Scout House

Tuesday, June 8

Wednesday, June 9

- 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, Fellowship Hall
12:00 p.m. Midday Prayer Gathering, Sanctuary

Thursday, June 10

- 2:00 p.m. United Methodist Women, Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. Faithseekers, Norris' Lake House
7:00 p.m. Administrative Team Leaders, Fellowship Hall

Friday, June 11

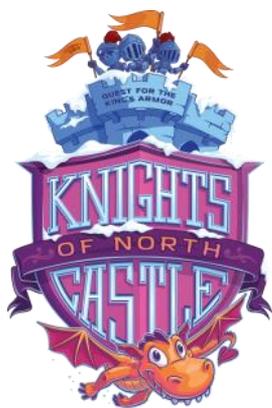
Saturday, June 12

- 11:00 a.m. A Service of Celebration for the Life of Robert Phelps, Sanctuary
Visitation will follow the service — 4th Avenue Porte Cochere

Sunday, June 13

- 8:45 a.m. Early Worship, Church Lawn
9:30 a.m. Adult Sunday School (Agape, Koinonia/Spruill) via ZOOM
9:45 a.m. Adult Sunday School (Adult Fellowship, Genesis), Classrooms
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
4:00 p.m. Stewardship Team, Fellowship Hall

A Proclamation from the Knights of North Castle



—Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School: Sunday, July 25 — Thursday, July 29

—Contact Amanda Bostick or Rev. Cheryl Skinner if you are interested in volunteering for Vacation Bible School. There are a wide variety of fun & creative opportunities where you may serve.

Contact Us Today!

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