

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

LEXINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA

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

September 26, 2021

8:45 a.m.

18th 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 - "Carry Me"

by Josh Wilson

The ALIVE! Praise Band

Call to Worship

Leader: Come to worship the God of our salvation.

People: **God's goodness has called us here.**

Leader: Seek, and you will find.

People: **With joy, we sing of Christ's steadfast love.**

Leader: Knock, and the door will be opened for you.

People: **Here, steadfast love and faithfulness meet.**

Leader: Ask, and it shall be given to you.

People: **Here, righteousness and peace prevail.**

Leader: Come to worship the God of our salvation.

People: **God's goodness has called us here.**

Prayer of the Day (in unison)

**Sustaining God, grant us this day
the blessings of your faithfulness and your grace.**

Where there is hunger, give us bread.

Where there is thirst, give us cool water to drink.

Where there is loneliness, give us friendship.

**Forgive our transgressions and our errant ways,
as we forgive those who transgress against us.**

**Where we have wronged another,
guide us into reconciliation.**

**And where we have been wronged,
guide us on the journey of forgiveness.**

**For yours is the kingdom and the power
and the glory forever. Amen.**

Invitation to Worship - "10,000 Reasons" by Matt Redman & Jonas Myrin
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.

¹The 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

²You'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

³And on that day when my strength is failing,
The end draws near and my time has come;
Still my soul sings your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

Chorus

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Anthem - "Cornerstone" *by Jonas Myrin & Reuben Morgan*
The ALIVE! Praise Band

We Worship with our Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison)

**God of manifold blessings,
surely your salvation is at hand.
In your Spirit, steadfast love and kindness meet;
righteousness and peace prevail.
Receive the gifts we return to you now,
that through our tithes and offerings
all people may know your goodness
and your grace. Amen.**

A Time For the Child In All of Us

Amanda Bostick

Invitation to Listen - "Lord I Need You"
The ALIVE! Praise Band

by Christy Nockels

¹Lord I come, I confess. Bowing here, I find my rest.
Without you, I fall apart, you're the one that guides my heart.

Chorus

Lord, I need You, oh I need you. Every hour, I need you.
My one defense, my righteousness; Oh God, how I need you.

²Where sin runs deep, your grace is more.
Where grace is found is where you are.
And where you are, Lord I am free. Holiness is Christ in me.

Chorus

Bridge

So teach my song to rise to you when temptation comes my way.
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on you. Jesus, you're my hope and stay.

Chorus

Scripture - Luke 11:1-13

Sermon - "Teach Us To Pray"

Rev. Cheryl Skinner

Response

**We give thanks for all that God has already given us.
As members of the body of Christ
and in this congregation of the United Methodist Church,
we will faithfully participate in the ministries of the church by
our prayers,
our presence,
our gifts,
our service,
and our witness,
that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus
Christ. Amen.**

Invitation to Prayer - "Sweet Hour of Prayer" by William Walford
The ALIVE! Praise Band

Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer!

that calls me from a world of care,

and bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known.

In seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief,

And oft escaped the tempter's snare by thy return, sweet hour of prayer!

Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer!

the joys I feel, the bliss I share

of those whose anxious spirits burn with strong desires for thy return!

With such I hasten to the place where God my Savior shows his face,

And gladly take my station there, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!

Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer!

thy wings shall my petition bear

to him whose trust and faithfulness engage the waiting soul to bless.

And since he bids me seek his face, believe his word, and trust his grace,

I'll cast on him my every care, and wait for thee, sweet hour of prayer!

Benediction

Traveling Music - "10,000 Reasons" by Matt Redman & Jonas Myrin
The ALIVE! Praise Band

Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of Ella Timberlake upon the occasion of her birthday by Teen & Tim Timberlake and Kay & Bob Timberlake.

Announcements

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

Lay Persons of the Year

"The Laity Service Award is promoted by the Western North Carolina Conference Council on Laity as a means of recognizing each year in the local church a deserving lay person(s) whose work in the local church and community exemplifies a life of Christian stewardship. The purpose of the award is to recognize worthy individuals, especially those whose work in the life of the church may not otherwise be recognized."

Application for nominating are located on the Volunteer's Desk, website, or you may contact Barbara McWhorter (336)249-2641, please feel free to leave a message.

Applications should be returned to the church office by Sunday, October 3. We will recognize our Lay Persons of the Year on Sunday, October 24.

Thank you for your participation!

Ministry Operating Budget Monthly Overview – through Aug. 31, 2021

Offerings, Pledges, & other income	\$324,031.15
*One-time grant income	<u>\$ 53,800.00</u>
Total Income through Aug. 31	\$377,831.15
Total Expenditures through Aug. 31	<u>\$346,839.16</u>
Net Total	\$ 30,191.99

*The One-time grant income includes a one-time \$29,000 Payroll Protection grant from the Federal Government's COVID-19 program. It also includes \$3,100 a month through December 2021 from the 2020 appeal to the congregation for the new Children, Families, and Youth ministerial position.

First United Methodist Church is a vital, growing, life-giving church because of the support of all its family and friends. As your giving continues at current levels, or even increases this fall and into the new year, our ministries will be even more ready to grow and flourish. So, please continue to support the church as best you can through your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service, and your witness.

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)

*June Craver (9-22-21)
*Monty Oliver (9-22-21)
Benny Huskins (9-20-21)
*Kathy Hester (9-15-21)
*Jim Hartley (9-14-21)
*G. F. Smith (9-14-21)
*Pete Murray (9-12-21)
*Steve & Gay Smith (9-12-21)
Randy Thomason (9-8-21)
*Jane Cook Harris (9-8-21)
*Caroline McCree (9-8-21)
Rev. Dr. Ray Howell (9-8-21)
Beth Young (9-7-21)
*Sharron Moody (9-7-21)
*Libby Simpson (9-1-21)
*Betty Pope (9-1-21)
*Judy Hench (8-25-21)
*Mary Niner (8-12-21)
Gary Leonard (8-4-21)

Long Term

Sandy Moroney (9-22-21)
Barry Leonard (9-22-21)
Keith Tutterow (9-22-21)
*Libby & Max Lanning (9-15-21)
Ann Leonard (9-15-21)
*Shane Martin (9-12-21)
Marc Frye (9-8-21)
*Linda Fisher (9-5-21)
*Mary Louise Wilkerson (8-30-21)
*Adrian Neal (8-25-21)
Jason & Stacy Heitman Family (8-18-21)
*Sue Corn (8-18-21)
Gina & Russ Parrot (8-11-21)
Tami Robinson (8-6-21)
Kendall Conner (7-26-21)

Bill Bingham (7-25-21)
Cora Tews (7-19-21)
Alma Kernodle (6-11-21)
Jim McDermott (6-10-21)
Rae Hall (5-20-21)
Caroline Wagner Loder (5-13-21)
Lynn Mack (4-15-21)
Jane King (4-15-21)
Jayme Cartner Christy (4-11-21)
Doris Brown (3-29-21)
*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)
Shannon & Steve Ford (1-22-20)

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

Alston-Brook

*Sharron Moody

Benton House (Charleston, SC)

*Janice Bacon

Elmcroft (Salisbury)

*Sandra Shoaf

The Laurels at Highland **Creek** (Charlotte)

*Carolyn Briggs

Summerfield Suites (Florida)

*Mary Williams

Serving in the Armed Forces

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

Sympathy

Sympathy of the ministers and the members of the congregation is extended to Raeann & Chris Allred and family upon the death of her father, Robert Ray "Bob" Shaak, on September 17, 2021.

Ways To Give financially back to God through the ministries of First UMC

We Worship with our Tithes and Offerings—On Sunday, place your tithes and offerings in the baskets provided at the back of the church.

Mail to First UMC, 310 S. Main Street, Lexington, NC 27292.

Online Giving for mobile device users, the QR (Quick Response) code on the right 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.

Text to Give - 855-222-3109—Text the amount you wish to give and follow the directions.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, September 26

- 8:45 a.m. Early Worship, Church Lawn — *In the event of inclement weather, we will move to the sanctuary.*
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Morning Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:00 a.m. **LIVE** streamed Morning Worship on YouTube

Monday, September 27

- 10:00 a.m. DISCIPLER I via ZOOM
- 7:00 p.m. DISCIPLER I via ZOOM
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Youth/Scout House

Tuesday, September 28

- 10:00 a.m. DISCIPLER II via ZOOM
- 7:00 p.m. DISCIPLER II via ZOOM

Wednesday, September 29

- 12:00 p.m. Midday Prayer Gathering, Sanctuary
- 12:30 a.m. Wednesday Prayer Lunch, Bar-B- Q Center

Thursday, September 30

Friday, October 1

- 10:00 a.m. Port-A-Pit BBQ Chicken Fundraiser - Pick-up at the State Street entrance until 6:00 p.m. - Take Out Only

Saturday, October 2

Sunday, October 3

World Communion Sunday

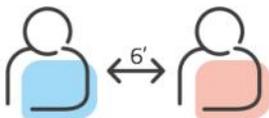
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Know your 3 W's



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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