



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

November 18, 2018

11:00 a.m.

26th Sunday after Pentecost

*Please silence your phone as we prepare our hearts for worship.*

✠ *We invite you to stand as you are able.*

**Opening Voluntary**

*Now Thank We All Our God*

Kerr

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Welcome and Passing of the Peace**

**Choral Introit**

*We, Thy People, Praise Thee*

Franz Haydn

✠ **Hymn of Praise No. 694**

*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

Elvey

**Anthem**

*A Simple Thanksgiving*

arr. Joseph Martin

First UMC and First Lutheran Chancel Choirs

Allison Lawson, Violin

'Tis a gift to be simple, 'tis a gift to be free, 'tis a gift to come down where we  
ought to be and when we find ourselves in the place just right,  
we'll be in the valley of love and light.

When true simplicity is gained to bow and to bend we shan't be ashamed.  
To turn, turn will be our delight 'til by turning, turning we come 'round right.

This is my Father's world, and to my list'ning ears, all nature sings  
and 'round me rings the music of the spheres.

This is my Father's world, I rest me in the thought  
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise;  
the morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.

'Tis a gift to be simple, 'tis a gift to be free,  
'tis a gift to come down where we ought to be.

'Tis a gift to be simple, 'tis a gift to declare their Maker's praise.

This is my Father's world. He shines in all that's fair.

In rustling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me ev'rywhere.

In rustling grass I hear Him pass.

In simple things I hear him sing. He sings to me ev'rywhere.

✠ **Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 131 (vs. 1, 3)**

*We Gather Together*

Dutch

✠ **Affirmation of Faith No. 881**

*The Apostle's Creed*

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.

\*living \*\*universal

† **Glori Patri No. 71**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**Concerns of the Congregation**

**Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**

**We Worship with our Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

*Siciliano*

J. S. Bach

† **Doxology**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise him, all creatures here below. Praise him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

**We Worship with the Children**

(Kid Kits in the bright green bags, provided for K-5th graders, are located at the back of the sanctuary. Following *We Worship with the Children*, K-3rd graders are invited to attend Children's Worship on the ground floor Children's Ministry area...*just follow the Worship Leader.*)

**Sermon**

*Free from... Free to...*

Hebrews 10:11-14, (15-18), 19-25 (NT Pg. 224)  
Dr. Roger Weisner

† **Hymn of Response No. 2036** (*THE FAITH WE SING*)

*Give Thanks*

Smith

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,

Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.

And, now let the weak say, "I am strong";

let the poor say, "I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us."

Give thanks!

† **Benediction and Blessing**

† **Postlude**

*Praise God*

Bock

† **Chiming of the Trinity**

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**Today's Greeters:**

Mary Louise and Maywood Wilkerson

Glynda and Dan Smith

**Chief Ushers:** Richard Foust, Jimmy Everhart

**Captain:** Robert Phelps **Co-Captain:** Woody Smith

Ron Coleman, Jim Horn, John McWhorter, Wil Milleson, Charles Noe and Phil Torchio. **Security:** Varner Sink

**Sympathy**

Sympathy of the ministers and the members of the congregation is extended to Kim (Loyd) Leonard and family upon the death of her father, Corren P. Youmans, Jr. of Miami, FL on October 25, 2018.

Sympathy of the ministers and the members of the congregation is extended to Margaret Ragan and family upon the death of Jim Ragan on November 14, 2018.

## Announcements

Remember to visit our website [www.fumclex.org](http://www.fumclex.org) to stay connected with our church calendar, ministries, activities and events.

**Poinsettia Sale** Sponsored by United Methodist Women Group 12  
Proceeds will benefit local missions • **Order forms are available at the Volunteer's Desk, church office and online.**

**Price:** \$10 each **Poinsettia Color:** Red or White in 6" pots  
**Foil Wrap:** Green or Gold - **ALL** orders must be Pre-ordered & Pre-paid • Order deadline **November 30** • Poinsettias will be available for pick up **Friday, December 7**



**Sunday, November 18** During the 11:00a worship service, the Chancel Choirs of First UMC and First Lutheran will join together in an anthem with violins to celebrate Thanksgiving.

### **Thanksgiving Evening Worship with Communion followed by a Pie Fellowship**

**Sunday, November 18 (7:00p)**

Join us for an evening worship service with communion in the sanctuary. Immediately following the service, we gather together in the fellowship hall for a time of fellowship over pie (cake, dessert, etc.) with coffee and drinks provided. **Bring enough pie (cake, dessert, etc.) for your family and plenty to share.**



### **Boy Scouts Christmas Tree Sale November 22—December 9**

**Location:** "Your Pharmacy" 100 West 3rd Street in Lexington

**Hours:** Thanksgiving Day & Black Friday 9a to 8p

Weekdays 10a to 8p • Saturdays 9a to 8p • Sundays 10a to 8p

We look forward to greeting and serving you with quality Frazier Fir Christmas trees, wreathes, and garland. If you have questions, please contact Mickey McCrary (336-242-3015).



### **Advent Fair for Children & Youth**

**Sunday, December 2 (9:45a)** 2nd Floor Classrooms—Join us as we begin our season of Advent together through stories, activities, crafts and more!

### **Homemade Soup & Sandwich Fundraiser Lunch**

**Sunday, December 2 (12p)** Sponsored by the Koinonia Sunday School Class Join us in the fellowship hall for homemade soup served with sandwiches, dessert and drinks. Your kind donations will be accepted at the door. All proceeds will benefit mission projects.



### **Children's Christmas Program Sunday, December 2 (4:00p)** Fellowship Hall •

This year, our church family will love and **experience TOGETHER** our Christmas program, **A Keepsake Christmas!** During this engaging **interactive** program, you'll hear a dramatic retelling of the Christmas story from cast members (our children) onstage. And each guest will create their very own keepsake nativity scene to cherish for years to come. Hear Mary's memories of traveling to Bethlehem, and reminisce about their family trips. Hear Joseph's thoughts about when Jesus was born, and share stories of when their own children were born. Learn the meaning of Jesus' name, and share how they got their names. Hear an angel's memories and explore ways to celebrate Jesus this Christmas. We hope you will join us for **A Keepsake Christmas** and add a meaningful family memory to your Christmas this year!



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

### **Prayer Requests**

Steve Smith  
Kathy Baragona  
Dot Cook  
Sue Corn  
June Craver  
Linda Fisher  
John & Judy Hensch  
Earl Hester  
Joyce Inabinett  
Susan Terry Jones  
Adrian Neal  
Ramona Phelps  
John Scarff  
Mary Louise Wilkerson  
Dare Wilson

### **Shut-Ins**

Miheepa Jones  
Dot Kinsey  
Caroline McCree  
Evelyn Sink

### **Piedmont Crossing**

#### **Health Care**

Margaret McCrary Carver  
Barbara Proctor  
Margaret Ragan  
Nancy Wilkinson

#### **Residents**

Jo Doris Beck  
Herman & Naoma Crabtree  
Richard & Camille Lawrence  
Madeline Palmer

#### **Bethany Woods (Albemarle)**

Alvin Pope

#### **Brookdale**

Opal Bloome  
Hilda Brower  
Betty Darr

#### **Brookstone**

Albert Gobble

#### **Genesis House (Salisbury)**

Julee Smith

#### **Rolling Green Village**

(Greenville, SC)

Peggy Trollinger

#### **Spring Arbor (Albemarle)**

Bonnie Cates

#### **The Lodge at Wellmore**

(Tega Cay, SC)

Harvey Dick

#### **Wood Haven (Albemarle)**

Louise Pope

#### **Extended Family & Friends**

Rodney Perdue  
Paula Brooks  
Mark Milligan  
Linda Barbee  
Larry Starnes  
Bonnie Cook  
Clay Jensen, his parents & siblings  
Beth Wood Hogan  
Jan Greer  
Mary Lou LeGette  
Pat & Gary Leonard  
Debbie Bowman  
Clayton Hepler  
Rusty Edwards  
Lynn Younts  
Norma S. Trotter  
Jimmy McDermott  
Rev. Jamie Armstrong  
Rev. Elizabeth Graves  
Shannon & Steve Ford  
Sherry & Roger Smith  
Rae Leonard  
Sandy Balser  
Craig Thompson  
Lynn Mack & family  
Jennifer Bagby  
Katrina Hunt  
Bailey Christensen  
Tami Robinson  
Kelli Jones  
Tom Sigmon  
Spencer Davis

Faye Graham  
Gracie Joy Hedrick  
Kendall Conner  
David Ogle  
Tempie Almstead  
Kristin Harris  
Claire Dowling  
Cameron & Pete Dunlap  
Linda & Tom Dunlap  
Carol & Steve Harris  
Peggy Sisk  
Anna Smathers  
Pat Wilson  
Jack Smith  
Gene Oldham  
Nakajah Vaughan  
Brenda Hipp  
Jane King  
Breanna Wilson  
Ethan Reavis  
Jason & Stacy Heitman  
Jenny Rains  
Jimmy Davis  
Bentley Leonard  
John Bruce Davis  
Eric Leonard  
Robert, Doris, & Keith Hunt  
Martha Daniel  
Debra Ann Leonard  
Betty Jean Whitaker  
Len & Dottie Harris  
Jack & Susan Phillips  
Jordan Beswick  
Regina Chrest  
Bruce Thornton

#### **Serving in the Armed Forces**

Capt. Kacie Allred  
SGT John Hall  
Capt. Jarrad Thorley  
SMS Jason Brownworth  
SGT Alan Ingram

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

Report for Sunday, November 11, 2018:  
Early Worship: 27 Morning Worship: 156 Total: 183  
Weekly Offerings: \$6,818.76  
Weekly Needed: \$10,632.90  
Total Received to Date: \$434,034.11  
Needed to Date: \$478,480.50



**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, November 18

- 8:30 a.m. United Methodist Men, Fellowship Hall  
8:30 a.m. Early Worship, Sanctuary  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary  
4:00p-5:00p Children's Christmas Program Practice, Fellowship Hall  
5:00p-6:30p Teens of Life Youth Ministry, Home of Emy & Greg Garrett  
6:00 p.m. Finance, Parlor  
7:00 p.m. Evening Worship & Communion, Sanctuary  
8:00 p.m. Pie Fellowship, Fellowship Hall

### Monday, November 19

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

### Tuesday, November 20

- 5:30 p.m. Altar Guild, Fellowship Hall  
7:00 p.m. Theology Pub, Sophie's Cork & Ale

### Wednesday, November 21

- 7:45 a.m. Prayer Breakfast, Cagney's  
12:00 p.m. Church Office Closes

### Thursday, November 22

- Thanksgiving Day  
Church Office Closed

### Friday, November 23

- Church Office Closed

### Saturday, November 24

### Sunday, November 25

- 8:30 a.m. Early Worship, Sanctuary  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary

## **Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Drop-Off Dates & Times**

- Sunday, November 18 12p-4p  
Monday, November 19 10a-2p

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