



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

September 23, 2018

11:00 a.m.

18th 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

Joyful, Joyful

Hopson

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Passing of the Peace

✠ **Hymn of Praise No. 64**

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

Dykes

✠ **Affirmation of Faith No. 881**

The Apostle's Creed

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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.

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✠ **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

Anthem

Come Thou Font of Every Blessing

arr. Douglas Wagner

Chancel Choir

Come, Thou font of ev'ry blessing tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.

Come, Thou blessed Savior, come, come, Thou font of all our care.

Come, Thou Lord of earth and heaven blest Redeemer, gift most rare.

Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the throne of God.

He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor, daily I'm constrained to be!

Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bring my wandering heart to Thee!

Prone to wander, Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love.

Here's my heart, O take it and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

Thy courts above!

We Worship with our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

When Peace Like a River

arr. Wagner

† **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

The Wisdom of a Tree

Psalm 1 (OT Pg. 489) James 3:13-18 (NT Pg. 230)

Dr. Roger Weisner

† **Hymn of Response No. 454**

Open My Eyes, That I May See

Scott

† **Benediction and Blessing**

† **Chiming of the Trinity**

† **Postlude**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

arr. Wagner



Sermon Notes:

Multiple horizontal lines for writing sermon notes.

Today's Greeters:

Nancy and Frank Cagle
Liz and Phil Torchio

Chief Ushers: Jimmy Everhart and Richard Foust

Captain: B.A. Long **Co-Captain:** Mike Hall

Betty Frick, Bob Pearson, Tad Proctor, Larry Swing, Bren Varner and Dean Yemm. **Security:** Pete Murray

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 Tim and Teen Timberlake and Bob and Kay Timberlake.

Announcements

Remember to visit our website www.fumclex.org to stay connected with our church calendar, ministries, activities and events.

United Methodist Women Breakfast Meeting

September 30 (8:30a) Fellowship Hall — ALL women are invited to join us for a hearty breakfast (**Cost: \$5**) and our Pledge to Mission program. **Our guest speaker is Cathy Robertson and she will be speaking about the Prison Ministry.** You may register for the event at the Volunteer's Desk. Please make plans to join us for this wonderful time together!



Operation Christmas Child Kick-Off Sunday, September 30

This year marks the **25th birthday** for the Operation Christmas Child project. We invite you to join in the celebration as we continue to "Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples" (Psalm 96:3). **NEW THIS YEAR**—Visit the OCC stations displayed at the entrances of the church (Main, 4th Ave, & State) You will find OCC shoeboxes, supply lists, mailing labels & MORE! Fill your shoebox & drop it off in the main hallway near the workroom. Not sure you will be able to shop for a shoebox? No need to worry. Just pick up a shoebox, place a donation in the box and return it to Judy Deal, Operation Christmas Child Coordinator. For each \$25 received, she will shop to fill a shoebox and have enough left to cover the shipping costs. Your donated OCC shoeboxes will be dedicated on Sunday, October 28. Shop early. Pack a Shoebox, Change a Life. **Relay Center Drop Off Dates November 11-19, 2018.**

Mid-Week Family Fellowship Meals & Programs are suspended until further notice due to a decline in participation that directly affects the caterer's ability to serve us on a weekly basis. We will keep you updated as we review this situation more closely.

Upcoming Events

World Communion Sunday	October 7
Commitment Sunday	October 14
United Methodist Women Sunday	October 21
BBQ Festival	October 27
Community BLOCK Party & Trunk or Treat	October 28 (5p-6:30p)

SAVE THE DATE...

RISE AGAINST HUNGER EVENT
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4 (2p-4p)
Fellowship Hall



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

Prayer Requests

Kathy Baragona
Sue Corn
June Craver
Linda Fisher
John & Judy Hench
Earl Hester
Joyce Inabinett
Susan Terry Jones
Adrian Neal
Jim Ragan
John Scarff
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
Jim Ragan

Alston-Brook

Isabelle Trimpey

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

Wood Haven (Albemarle)

Louise Pope

Extended Family & Friends

Ralph Denny
The family of Terrick Bailey
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 Balsler
Mike Daniel
Craig Thompson
Lynn Mack & family
Jennifer Bagby
Katrina Hunt
Bailey Christensen
Rev. Russell Brownworth
Tami Robinson
Kelli Jones
Tom Sigmon
Chris Hunt
Spencer Davis
Faye Graham
Gracie Joy Hedrick
Kendall Conner
David Ogle
Tempie Almstead

Kristin Harris
Claire Dowling
David Stafford
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
Susan Fritts
Regina Chrest
Bruce Thornton

Serving in the Armed Forces

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, September 16, 2018:
Early Worship: 17 Morning Worship: 116 Total: 133
Weekly Offerings: \$15,603.69
Weekly Needed: \$10,632.90
Total Received to Date: \$366,179.42
Needed to Date: \$393,417.30



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, September 23

- 8:30 a.m. Early Worship, Fellowship Hall
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship, Sanctuary
3:00 p.m. HIS Club meet Judy Deal at the church to go shopping for Operation Christmas Child shoebox supplies
5:00 p.m. Teens of Life Youth Ministry, Youth/Scout House
7:00 p.m. Finance, Parlor

Monday, September 24

- 7:00 p.m. Cub Scouts, Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts & Venturers, Youth/Scout House
7:00 p.m. Missions Team, Conference Room

Tuesday, September 25

- 7:00 p.m. Theology Pub, Sophie's Cork & Ale
7:00 p.m. Amazing Grace Seekers, Home of Lynn Rowe

Wednesday, September 26

- 7:45 a.m. Prayer Breakfast, Cagney's
10:00 a.m. Morning Bible Study, Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. Children's Ministry, Ground Floor
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, September 27

- 7:45 a.m. Men's Devotion & Fellowship, Biscuit King on S. Main Street
12:00 p.m. Adult Fellowship Salad Luncheon, Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. Faithseekers, Home of Jayne James

Friday, September 28

Saturday, September 29

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Praise Set

Love Revolution

How Great Thou Art

Learning to be the Light

ALIVE Praise Band

Walker

Boberg, arr. Daigle

Newworldson

Welcome and Passing of the Peace

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Good, Good Father

ALIVE Praise Band

Tomlin

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Born Again

ALIVE Praise Band

Third Day

✠ **Benediction and Blessing**

✠ **Traveling Music**

Amazing Grace: Peaceful Easy Feeling

ALIVE Praise Band

Newton/Eagles