



First United Methodist Church

August 1, 2021

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Our hearts, our minds, and our doors are always open.

ORDER OF WORSHIP OF GOD

We are so glad you are here to worship today.

WELCOME & GATHERING

CENTERING SONG

Morning Has Broken

PASTORAL PRAYER

MEDITATION SONG

I'll Walk with God
Soloist: Brenda Dunn

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 4: 1-16

SERMON

"A Life Worthy of the Call"
Pastor William

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

REFLECTION SONG

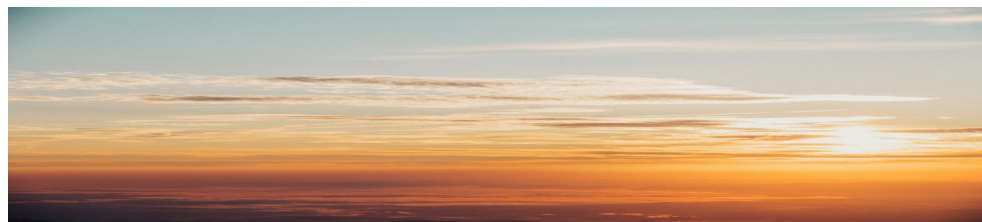
His Eye is on the Sparrow

BENEDICTION & SENDING FORTH

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 4:1-16

4 I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ² with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³ making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. ⁷ But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. ⁸ Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." ⁹ (When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? ¹⁰ He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) ¹¹ The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, ¹² to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, ¹³ until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. ¹⁴ We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. ¹⁵ But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, ¹⁶ from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.



CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

FUMC will continue to hold in-person services following established safety protocols as well as online services via the church's Facebook page for those who wish to remain at home. As always, services will start at 10:00 am.

Join Pastor William for a time of devotion in God's Word and prayer every Wednesday morning at 9:00 am on Facebook. He is continuing his study and time in the Book of Psalms. Join us live, watch later on the recording, and share with others!

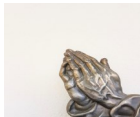
If you would like a name added to the prayer list please notify the church office at 919-742-2722.

First UMC is partnering with SNACK again this summer. Contact Bob Andrews or Jane Butler if you would like to help with this worthy community project. We will distribute food on Wednesday's from 6-7:30pm. Our summer SNACK dates are August 11. Go ahead and mark your calendars.

All are welcome to join for lunch at Bestfoods Cafeteria after worship each Sunday. Whoever comes—comes. Enjoy in fellowship.

JOY will meet on August 18th, 2021 at 9:00 in the church kitchen. All those interested in helping make homemade vegetable beef soup to sell at the bazaar are welcome to attend. For more information contact Sallie Milholen.

PRAYER REQUEST



Jane Farmer
Rachel Boone
Eunice Terry
Betty Pollock
Alex Daniels, US Navy
Bob & Anne Frickey
Elizabeth Meadows
Olivia Diamant
Suzie Marcle
Marjorie Stackhouse
Ruby Holt

Janice Poston
Those affected by COVID-19
Louise Adcock
Michael DeAngelo
Jean Andrews
Paulette & Earl McLaurin
The family of Carol Burk
The family of Shirley Smith Lucas
Angie Cheek
Linda & Lee Lehman
Henry Smith
Sawyer Elkins

<i>Last Sunday</i>	
In-Person Attendance	44
Online Attendance	165
Offering	\$27,210.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug 2nd	Nominations Committee meeting at 7:00pm in library
Aug 3rd	Choir Practice at 6:15 and Handbell Practice at 7:00
Aug 9th	Threads of Faith meet from 10:30 to 12:00
Aug 10th	Choir Practice at 6:15 and Handbell Practice at 7:00
Aug 11th	SNACK program meets from 6-7:30pm
Aug 17th	Choir Practice at 6:15 and Handbell Practice at 7:00
Aug 18th	JOY group making soup at 9:00am in the kitchen
Aug 23rd	Threads of Faith meet from 10:30 to 12:00

THE CHURCH STAFF

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