Welcome, Concerns

Jennifer Hupko

Please turn off or silence electronic devices before you enter for worship.

Passing of the Peace of Christ

Prelude

“Adoro Te Devote (Thee We Adore)” arr. J. Barr

The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God. Therefore, let the worshipers remain silent and contemplative. Lift up a prayer for your church family, staff, ministers and the work of Christ in the world.

* The Chiming of the Hour (Congregation stands)

* Opening Hymn

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above” UMH Pg. 110

* Affirmation of Faith

UMH Pg. 881

* The Gloria Patri

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. AMEN.

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Dr. Norman Bennett, Jr.

The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

(Offering Stewards will come forward at this time)

Celebrating Grace by Returning God’s Tithes and Giving Our Offerings

Offertory

“Antiphon: ‘and didn't Jesus sing a Psalm that night when evil strove against the Light’” D. Cherwien

* The Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” (Olde Hundredth) UMH Pg. 95

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.

Children’s Sermon

Laura Bowden

Children 3 years old to Kindergarten are invited to attend Little Church. Please pick them up following the service in room 201, Wesley Building.

* Hymn of Preparation

“Take My Life, and Let It Be” UMH Pg. 399

Introduction of Associate Pastor

Jean Clemmons
**Sermon Text**
Luke 12:13-21
Rev. Meredith Dark

**Anthem**
“Seek Ye First”
arr. Wagner

**Sermon**
“Be Rich Toward God”
Rev. Dr. George K. Howle

* **Hymn of Response**
“Give Thanks”
TFWS Pg. 2036

* **Benediction**

* **Benediction Response**
“Shalom To You”
UMH Pg. 666

* **Postlude**
“Te Deum Laudamus (We Praise Thee, O God)”
A. Claussmann

(*) Indicates please stand as you are able.

**Guest Organist:** Pat Downes

**Flowers**
The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in honor of our 50th wedding anniversary, Ron & Jackie Carpenter.

**Flowers are needed for the following dates: September 8, 15, 22.** To place flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Jennifer Julian in the church office, 843-448-7164 x207 or jennifer@fumcmb.org. The flowers live on past Sunday mornings through faithful volunteers as flowers are designed into small arrangements and delivered to homes, hospitals and nursing homes.

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**Attendance**
Members and regular visitors, please let us know of your attendance this morning by signing the attendance book. If you are a first time visitor, please fill out the visitor information attached to the Steeple and place in the offering plate, and don’t forget to stop by our visitor area in the narthex…we have a gift for you!

**Sunday School**
We offer Sunday school for children age 3 through adult each Sunday from 9:00-10:00 AM.

**Children**
First Church invites families to worship together. We also offer “Little Church” to children ages 3 through kindergarten following the Children’s Sermon Time. Little Church is a child-friendly “mini” worship service in room 201 of the Wesley Building (upstairs). Parents, please pick up your children immediately after worship.

***Ask the ushers for children’s Wiggle Bags, hearing devices and large print hymnals***

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**Offering Steward Teams for August**
**Captains: Bill Thomas, Tim Foreback**
Barb Brooks, Clark Butler, Harold Clemmons, Kevin Cribb, Claylene Gore, Tommy Gray, Jay Haar, Jon Howell, Neil McCoy, Harry McKnight, Arne Pedersen, Kenny Rapoport, Jack Rebeck, Brad Richardson, Jim Shaffer, Barry Thigpen, Tom Wesley

**Greeters for Sunday**
**Front Entrance**
Annette & Ed Willett

**Broadway Entrance**
Sharri Hammond

**Office Entrance**
Margaret Barnes

**Assisting in Worship**
**Acolyte**
Preston Bowers

**Little Church**
Jenny Kelly

**Video**
Jan Davis & Jim Lewis

**Audio**
Dylan Jollie