

Order of Worship

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

August 15, 2021

The liturgical color is red remembering the Holy Spirit coming to the Church.

We lift up prayers for the community, our church family, staff, ministers, and for the work of Christ in the world.

- Welcome** Rev. Dr. George K. Howle **8:30**
Rev. Meredith M. Dark **11:00**
- Prelude** “O, That I Had a Thousand Voices” arr. Hans Arnold Metzger
(The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God. Let the worshipers remain silent and contemplative.)
- Call to Worship** “Sing! Make a Joyful Sound”
*Sing! Make a joyful sound, Sing! Life in Christ is found;
Wages of sin and death He paid it all!
Sing! Make a joyful sound, Sing! Life in Christ is found;
Now in my heart He reigns, Sing! Sing! Sing!*
- * **The Chiming of the Hour** *(congregation stands)*
- * **Opening Hymn** “There’s Within My Heart a Melody” UMH #380
- * **Affirmation of Faith** Rev. Jennifer Hupko | UMH #881
- * **The Gloria Patri** UMH #70
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. Hupko
- 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.
- Celebrating Grace by Returning God’s Tithes and Giving Our Offerings**
(Offering Stewards will come forward at this time)
- Offertory** “Close to Thee” arr. D.S. Ferguson
- * **The Doxology** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH #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.**
- * **Offertory Prayer**
- Blessing of the Backpacks** Rev. Howle **8:30**
Rev. Dark **11:00**
- * **Hymn of Preparation** “Jesus Loves Me” UMH #191
- Sermon Text** Proverbs 22:6 Rev. Hupko
- Anthem** “Sanctuary” arr. Larson
- Sermon** “Get Ready for School” Rev. Howle **8:30**
Rev. Dark **11:00**
- * **Closing Hymn** “Tell Me the Stories of Jesus” UMH #277
- * **Benediction** Rev. Howle | Rev. Dark
- Postlude** “Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart” arr. D.S. Ferguson

(* Please stand as you are able.)

The Steeple Highlights

Blessing of the Backpacks—**TODAY, August 15th**, 11AM Contemporary Worship, Wesley Worship Center. All Students, Teachers, School Staff, Parents, and Former Teachers are invited. Recognition will be given to those attending all worship services.

The **Good Grief Group** for ladies who are widows will have lunch on **Thursday, August 19th, 11AM** at Friendly's Restaurant, 4705 N. Kings Hwy, MB. **Please RSVP** to Suzie Wheeler, **843-424-6323**.

FUMA Book Drive to benefit the new Academy's library—new or used children's books. Collection bins are located in the Sanctuary Narthex and at the Wesley Worship Center entrance.

Children's Choirs/Handbells rehearsals will return on **Sunday August 22nd** in the Wesley Building from 4:15PM to 5:30PM (see the full schedule in *The Steeple*).

Adult Chancel Choir and **Adult Handbell Choir** have returned to rehearsals on Wednesdays at the regularly scheduled times (see *The Steeple*).

Volunteer Opportunity—**Wesley Chancel Choir** has been the main choir singing each Sunday morning and at special events. The choir meets weekly to rehearse anthems and special music for worship services. Choir members are volunteers, giving their time to assist in leading worship. Anyone interested in lifting their voice in song is welcome to join the choir on Wednesday evenings for rehearsal in the Music Suite located behind the main Sanctuary with an entrance off 9th Ave. For more information, please contact Norman McQueen, Music Director, at 843-602-5582.

Gideon Sunday—August 22nd at all services. Ministry presentation by Gideon members of First Church.

VENMO is an electronic giving option available for use with a cell phone. Open the camera icon on your cell phone and hold it over the QR code (to the right). Tap on the link at the top of the screen to open the VENMO app then follow instructions to give electronically. Another option is to download the VENMO app on a cellular device and search @firstchurchmb to proceed with giving options.



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Attendance

Members and guests, kindly pass the attendance book along the pew for everyone to register their attendance.

Sunday School

Classes are available for Children age 3 through Adult every Sunday from 9:45-10:45 AM.

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

Children

First Church invites families to worship together. We offer "Little Church" to children ages 3 through 1st grade following the Children's Message in worship. 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.

The **Flowers** that beautify our sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God and in honor of kids and teachers as they go back to school by Jan Haga.

Flowers are needed for the following dates: Oct 31; Nov 14, 21, 28. To place flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Jennifer Julian in the church office, 843-448-7164 or jennifer@fumcmb.org.

We welcome our guests today and pray that you will experience the presence of Christ in our worship together.

Sunday Worship may be viewed Live on Facebook at 8:30AM or on the website (www.fumcmb.org), on our mobile app, or on FOX TV Sundays at 10AM on channel 7 (one week delay).

Masks and distancing are optional. Please be respectful of others.

Assisting in Worship

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8:30 Claylene Gore, TBD

11:00 Clark Butler, Gene Butler, Tracey Connor, Alec McMillan, Keith McMillan

Video | Jim Lewis

Audio | **8:30** Melinda Morgan

11:00 Scott Bowen

