

8:15AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP		
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS		David McEntire
PRELUDE	His Eye is On the Sparrow/Haywood	Matthew H. Corl
*CALL TO WORSHIP		David McEntire
*HYMN 2146	His Eye Is On the Sparrow	
*PSALTER 754	Psalm 23, Response 1	David McEntire
*GLORIA PATRI	We Will Glorify the Father	
PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER/GREETING		David McEntire
OFFERTORY	Lord of the Small/Forrest	Diana Russell
*DOXOLOGY 95	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	
SERMON	Worry/Luke 12:22-34	Andy Whitaker Smith
*HYMN 130	God Will Take Care of You	
*BENEDICTION		Andy Whitaker Smith
POSTLUDE	In Thee is Gladness/Bach	Matthew H. Corl

9:30AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP		
OPENING SONG	Chain Breaker	
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS		David McEntire
*CALL TO WORSHIP		Jeremy Hearn
*SONGS OF PRAISE		
Oceans (Where Feet May Fail), Raise A Hallelujah, Follow You Anywhere		
PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER/GREETING		David McEntire
OFFERTORY	Be Still	
SERMON	Worry/Luke 12:22-34	Andy Whitaker Smith
*SONG OF RESPONSE	It Is Well	
*BENEDICTION		Andy Whitaker Smith

11:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP		
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS		David McEntire
PRELUDE	His Eye is On the Sparrow/Haywood	Matthew H. Corl
*CALL TO WORSHIP		David McEntire
*HYMN 2146	His Eye Is On the Sparrow	
*PSALTER 754	Psalm 23, Response 1	David McEntire
*GLORIA PATRI 70	Glory Be to the Father	
ANTHEM	Lord of the Small/Forrest	Diana Russell
PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER/GREETING		David McEntire
OFFERTORY	Behold the Lamb of God/Behnke	Chancel Choir
*DOXOLOGY 94	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	
SERMON	Worry/Luke 12:22-34	Andy Whitaker Smith
*HYMN 130	God Will Take Care of You	
*BENEDICTION		Andy Whitaker Smith
POSTLUDE	In Thee is Gladness/Bach	Matthew H. Corl

\*Please stand if you are able

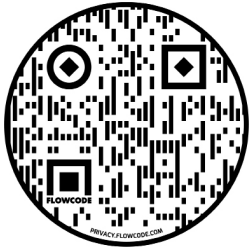
11:00AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP		
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS		Nicki Taylor
*CALL TO WORSHIP		Nicki Taylor
*SONGS OF PRAISE		
Oceans (Where Feet May Fail), Raise A Hallelujah, Follow You Anywhere		
CENTERING PRAYER		Nicki Taylor
OFFERTORY	Be Still	
*DOXOLOGY		
SERMON	Worry/Luke 12:22-34	Nicki Taylor
COMMUNION		Nicki Taylor
*SONG OF RESPONSE	It Is Well	
*BENEDICTION		Nicki Taylor

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Why in the midst of life’s stresses and trials do we worry?  
**ALL: Lord we believe; help our unbelief!**  
LEADER: As the song says, God’s eye is on the sparrow, and we know he watches us.  
**ALL: Lord we believe; help our unbelief!**

ABOUT OUR SERVICES

Visit [firstumc.org/connect](https://firstumc.org/connect) or scan the QR code for: Attendance Registration, Worship Bulletins, Prayer Requests, & Online Giving



Presence in Worship (March 6)

In Person: 682  
Online: 562  
Total: 1244

**8:15am Sanctuary Service:** Traditional worship presented in a new way with a fresh approach to time-honored hymns and a variety of styles of music.

**9:30am Fellowship Center:** A more contemporary, relaxed atmosphere with worship music of today.

**11am Sanctuary Service:** Traditional hymns with organ accompaniment, as well as musical pieces from our various fine arts groups.

**11am Fellowship Center:** A unique worship experience with contemporary worship music and settings. Communion is offered each Sunday.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Hospitalized (as of Mar 14)

Lori Dettmer, Jack Jefferson, Caroline Kent, Gail Leonard, Alice Ross, Melvin Schichtling, Dick Sproule

Deaths

Dorothy Brenner, 3/12

Altar Flowers

To donate Altar Flowers in Memory or in Honor of a loved one, contact Angela: [aeverett@firstumc.org](mailto:aeverett@firstumc.org), 863-686-3163

In memory of Joe B Tedder, loving husband, father and grandfather by his wife, children and grandchildren.

We are glad you joined us today! Whether you are a member or a guest, please take a moment to register your attendance on the registration pad before passing it on to your neighbor or online at [firstumc.org/connect](https://firstumc.org/connect). Thank you for helping ensure our records are accurate.



The purpose of First United Methodist is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. We strive to accomplish this by being a worship plus three church. Worship plus three is how we define our ministries. We believe worship is of prime importance and is our foundation. In addition, we are to invite others into a relationship with God, grow in our own relationship with God and our neighbor and serve others as a continued sign of God’s work in our lives.

To learn more about the ministries of the church and how to get connected, contact Diana Russell ([info@firstumc.org](mailto:info@firstumc.org) - 863-686-3163 x223)

UPCOMING EVENTS



Easter Lilies | [firstumc.org/lilies](https://firstumc.org/lilies)

Easter Lilies are placed in our services on Easter to remember or honor a loved one. Each lily is \$12 and may be taken home after the 11am services Easter morning. Orders due no later than Apr 7.



Spring Fling, Today, 4pm - 7pm

Come join us on the front lawn of the church and enjoy games for all ages, a petting farm, bluegrass band, delicious food, and a baking contest (with two categories: adults and children/youth 18 or younger). BBQ dinner is available for \$10/adult, \$5/child (12 and under). Be sure to bring a lawn chair or a blanket. Purchase your dinner tickets or sign up for the baking contest at [firstumc.org/events](https://firstumc.org/events).



Connectional Giving Sunday, Mar 27

UMCOR Sunday is a time to give gifts that provide help and hope during times of disaster, be it famine, hurricane, war, flood, fire, or other challenges.



Polk PEACE Nehemiah Action Rally Mar 29, 7pm, Silver Moon Drive-In

Polk County PEACE is a local advocacy organization that has successfully supported increase mental health care, improved policing polices and millions of dollars for affordable housing in Polk County.

The Nehemiah Action is the organization’s largest event of the year, bringing in local officials to talk about potential solutions to county-wide problems. Those interested can meet at the church at 6:30pm to carpool. For questions or more information, please contact Pastor Nicki Taylor ([ntaylor@firstumc.org](mailto:ntaylor@firstumc.org)).

## CHILDREN

For information regarding Children's Ministry events, contact Cristi Moore, Director of Children's Ministries: [cmoore@firstumc.org](mailto:cmoore@firstumc.org), (863) 686-3163 x226

### Sundays

- **9:30am Sunday School (Infants 6 weeks - 5th Grade)**
- **11am Sunday School (Infants 6 weeks - VPK)**
- **5-7pm: Sunday Evening Programming (K - 5th Grade)**

### Wednesdays

- **4-5:30pm Kids PRAISE**
- **6:30-7:30pm Small Group (K - 5th Grade)**

### 4th & 5th Grade Event, Apr 1, 6-8pm

Dive into the fun. Join us for an old-fashioned pool party with games, food and lots of surprises! Visit [firstumc.org/children](http://firstumc.org/children) for more information and to register by March 25.

### Easterific, Apr 9, 10am-Noon

This will be a free event where you can come for a bit or stay the entire morning. Activities will include games, crafts, egg hunts, a photo op for the entire family, snacks, and more. If you are interested in volunteering visit [firstumc.org/children](http://firstumc.org/children) to sign up.

### Volunteers Needed!

If you have a passion to serve in Children's Ministries, we need YOU! Some opportunities are with children and some are not. We have opportunities on Sunday mornings, Sunday evenings with the cooking team, or programming assistance (4:30-7pm), Wednesday evenings, or during the day on weekdays helping prepare materials for classes and events. Is God calling you? If so, please answer the call by contacting Cristi Moore at [cmoore@firstumc.org](mailto:cmoore@firstumc.org).

## YOUTH

For information regarding our Youth Ministry events, contact Emily Felgenhauer, Director of Youth Ministries: [efelgenhauer@firstumc.org](mailto:efelgenhauer@firstumc.org), (863) 687-9750 x253



### Connect Youth Ministries

We are excited to announce that One United Youth Ministries is now Connect Youth Ministries! Connect is a community of students connected to growing in God's love.

### No Youth Programming on 3/20 or 3/23

There will be no youth programming this week. Enjoy your spring break, and we will see you next week!

### Youth Serve Saturday: Noah's Ark of Lakeland, Mar 26, 9am-12:30pm

Noah's Ark of Central Florida empowers individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities to discover and fulfill their greatest potential. We will be visiting and spending the morning playing games followed by an ice cream social. All youth who participate will receive 2.5 service hours. Students will need to have a medical form on file to participate.

## ADULTS

For more information or Zoom/Online credentials, contact Warren Pattison, Director of Adult Ministries: [wpattison@firstumc.org](mailto:wpattison@firstumc.org), (863) 686-3163 x227.

### 9:30am Sunday School for Adults

Our Sunday School classes meet in person with the option to join online. Visit [firstumc.org/adult-sunday-school](http://firstumc.org/adult-sunday-school) for more information on connecting with a particular class.

### Wednesday Evening Dinner/Classes

We invite you to join us for a community meal each Wed, 5-6pm, in our Fellowship Center. Tickets are \$8/adults (13 and up) and \$4/children 12 and under. Classes and groups for children, teens, and adults start at 6:30pm.

### District Gathering, Sat, Mar 26, 10am, Sanctuary

The Florida Conference invites you to a District Gathering near you to discuss the recent postponement of General Conference, learn information that will be helpful to you and be encouraged as a leader in your church during this season. This gathering is open to all persons.

### Embracing the Uncertain (Online and In-Person)

If you haven't yet joined a group exploring Embracing the Uncertain, you can find a group at [firstumc.org/lent](http://firstumc.org/lent). There is also a Facebook group available for those who would like to participate on their own schedule or supplement their personal or group study. Books are available in Our Giving Tree.

### Ramsey+ Membership

If you've ever had a hard time sleeping because you're stressed about money or felt overwhelmed with credit card bills you just can't pay off—you're normal. Most people have car payments and credit cards, and most people feel lost, with no plan for the future. But you CAN be different! You can rest knowing you've got enough for your family, both now and in the future. You can have money in the bank without debt hanging over your head. You can sleep soundly every night. We want that life for you. That's why we're giving every church member a Ramsey+ membership completely free. You'll have access to the best money content and tools so you can say goodbye to "normal" forever! Redeem your free Ramsey+ membership today - go to [firstumc.org/ramseyplus](http://firstumc.org/ramseyplus) and complete the online form. Questions? Contact Warren at [wpattison@firstumc.org](mailto:wpattison@firstumc.org).

### Sisterhood Women's Book Club Launch, Wed, Apr 20, 6:30pm, C-205

At our first book club, we will discuss our first book, decide how often to meet (Quarterly, Every other month, etc) and pick our next book together. We will be discussing the book "Find Your People" by Jennie Allen. Even if you don't like the first book choice, that's okay come anyway, it will make for a great discussion and you will help decide our second book. Childcare is provided but registration is required. For more information and to register visit [firstumc.org/groups](http://firstumc.org/groups).

## MISSIONS

For more information regarding Missions, contact Forrest White, Director of Missions: [fwhite@firstumc.org](mailto:fwhite@firstumc.org), (863) 686-3163 x224

### Fighting Hunger With kidsPACK

Please mark the first Wednesday of each month through the school year to help us support kidsPACK! Setup begins at 9am in the Welcome Center and takes about 90 minutes. At 4pm we pack and wrap perhaps as many as 1,000 weekend food cells. Due to children helping, we ask that you wear masks. KidsPACK is a food assistance program for children in need.

**Upcoming kidsPACK dates:** Apr 6 and May 4.

First United Methodist Church  
March 20, 2022

MAKING DISCIPLES OF  
**JESUS CHRIST**  
FOR THE TRANSFORMATION  
**OF THE WORLD**

Rev. David McEntire, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Andy Whitaker Smith, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Nicki Taylor, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Emily Hotho, District Superintendent  
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