8:15AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP		
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS		David McEntire
PRELUDE	Intrada on Ellacombe/Powell	Matthew H. Cor
*CALL TO WORSH	P	David McEntire
*HYMN 278	Hosanna, Loud Hosanna	

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 887 David McEntire

\*GLORIA PATRI We Will Glorify the Father

**ANTHEM** Sing Hosanna!/McCartha Kids Praise/Kids Chimes PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER/GREETING David McEntire **OFFERTORY** Palm Sunday Processional/Buckwalter Kids Chimes

**\*DOXOLOGY 95** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**SERMON** Obedience/Matthew 26:36-46 Andy Whitaker Smith

\*HYMN 2113 Lamb of God

\*BENEDICTION Andy Whitaker Smith

\*RESPONSE Go Now in Peace/Sleeth Kids Praise **POSTLUDE** Postlude on The King's Majesty/Corl Matthew H. Corl

## 9:30AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

**OPENING SONG** O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing

David McEntire **WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS** \*CALL TO WORSHIP Jeremy Hearn \*SONGS OF PRAISE Waiting Here For You, Oh Our Lord, Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

David McEntire PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER/GREETING

Sing Hosanna!/McCartha Kids Praise/Kids Chimes **OFFERTORY SERMON** Obedience/Matthew 26:36-46 Andy Whitaker Smith

**\*SONG OF RESPONSE** Sanctuary

Andy Whitaker Smith \*BENEDICTION

#### 11:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS David McEntire **PRELUDE** Intrada on Ellacombe/Powell Matthew H. Corl \*CALL TO WORSHIP David McEntire \*HYMN 278 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 887 David McEntire

\*GLORIA PATRI 70 Glory Be to the Father

**ANTHEM** Sing Hosanna!/McCartha Kids Praise/Kids Chimes

PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER/GREETING David McEntire

**OFFERTORY** Go to Dark Gethsemane/Culloton **Chancel Choir** 

\*DOXOLOGY 94 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

**SERMON** Obedience/Matthew 26:36-46 Andy Whitaker Smith

\*HYMN 285 To Mock Your Reign, O Dearest Lord

\*RESPONSE

\*BENEDICTION Andy Whitaker Smith

The Lord Bless You and Keep You/Rutter **POSTLUDE** Postlude on The King's Majesty/Corl Matthew H. Corl

\*Please stand if you are able

Chancel Choir

#### 11:00AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS Nicki Taylor \*CALL TO WORSHIP Nicki Taylor **\*SONGS OF PRAISE** Waiting Here For You, Oh Our Lord, Hosanna (Praise is Rising)

**CENTERING PRAYER** Nicki Taylor

**OFFERTORY** Sing Hosanna!/McCartha Kids Praise/Kids Chimes

**DOXOLOGY** 

**SERMON** Obedience/Matthew 26:36-46 Nicki Taylor **COMMUNION** Nicki Taylor

**\*SONG OF RESPONSE** Christ Be All Around Me

\*BENEDICTION Nicki Taylor

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

LEADER: Trusting and obeying God is not always easy, but it is the right thing to do.

Lord we believe; help our unbelief!

LEADER: Christ himself wrestled with obedience at the Garden of Gesthemane; we are in good company.

Lord we believe; help our unbelief! **ALL:** 

#### **ABOUT OUR SERVICES**

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

## Presence in Worship (March 27)

In Person: 678 Online: 704 Total: 1382



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 22)

Jeanie Brazelton, Julie Meriwether, Lou Hubert

#### **Birth**

Jason Joel Herr, 3/29 (Son of Jason & Sheba Herr)

#### **Deaths**

Wayne Wittman (3/30), Jack Jefferson (3/31), Alberta Russell (4/2)

## **Baptisms**

Lena Harper Buchanan, 4/3 (Daughter of Phillip & Leslie Buchanan) Declan & Evelyn Waters, 4/3 (Son & Daughter of Brian & Emily Waters) 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. 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 - 863-686-3163 x223)



## **Jesus & The Lorax Sermon Series Launch Party**

Join us on Sat, Apr 30 from 12:30pm-3pm in the Wesley Center (2nd floor of C building) as we share lunch, a movie and some fun activities together. Come get a sneak peek of our new sermon series, and children's series, that begins on May 1. Please register

and choose your meal at firstumc.org/events. This is a free event for all ages.



## **Harriet Mayes Retirement Celebration**

Harriet Mayes, our Church Administrator, has served our church for 36 years, providing faithful, insightful and visionary leadership. On Sat, Apr 23 at 4pm you are invited to attend a Celebration of Harriet's Ministry in the Wesley Center, Room 201-A.



#### **Our Giving Tree Ukraine Fundraiser**

Our Giving Tree will donate every penny spent in the store for 8 days, beginning April 3 to UMCOR for Ukraine relief. Our Giving Tree is located in the C Building. Hours: Sundays 9am-12:30pm, Weekdays 10am-1pm and Wed evenings 4-6:30pm.

# HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

**MAUNDY THURSDAY (APRIL 14)** 7pm · Fellowship Center

STATIONS OF THE CROSS (APRIL 15) 12pm · Starts in Sanctuary

**TENEBRAE SERVICE (APRIL 15)** 7pm · Sanctuary

#### **EASTER SERVICES (APRIL 17)**

6:30am Sunrise Service (Front Lawn) 8:15 Traditional Service (Sanctuary) • 9:30 Contemporary (Fellowship Center) 11am Traditional (Sanctuary) · 11am The Current (Fellowship Center)

# **CHILDREN**

For information regarding Children's Ministry events, contact Cristi Moore, Director of Children's Ministries: 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, May 6, 6:15-8:30pm

Jump for joy! This will be epic! We will be going to Defy Lakeland with one hour of jump time and then a pizza party! For more information or to register by Apr 29, visit firstumc.org/children.

#### VBS 2022 Registration Now Available, firstumc.org/vbs

Join us for Food Truck Party VBS! Jul 11-15 8:45am-Noon. Children who have completed K-5th grade are invited to get on a roll with God for this summer's biggest party! Volunteer opportunities are also available. For more information or to register by Jun 3, visit firstumc.org/vbs.

#### Warren W. Willis Summer Camp (Children & Youth), Jul 18-23, 2022

Registration is now open for students rising into 4th grade through graduated 12th graders. For more information, and to register visit firstumc.org/children.

#### **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 Sun mornings, Sun evenings with the cooking team, or programming assistance (4:30-7pm), Wed 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.

# YOUTH

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

**Sundays:** 

9:15-10am Youth Choir Practice, E2
10-10:45am Donuts and Discussion, F1
3pm Youth Praise Band Practice, F1
5pm Youth Group (\$5 Dinner), F1

Wednesdays:

5pm Youth Handbell Practice, E21

5:15pm Phoenix Dinner (\$8/dinner), Fellowship Center

6pm Open Gym, Gym

6:30 - 7:30pm Middle School Bible Study, F25

**High School Bible Study, Youth Game Room** 

## **ADULTS**

For more information or Zoom/Online credentials, contact Warren Pattison, Director of Adult Ministries: 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 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.

## Free Ramsey+ Membership

Imagine for a second that you had ZERO payments coming out of your paycheck. No monthly car payment. No credit card bills or student loans. How would that change your life? Maybe you would be able to spend quiet evenings with your kids instead of sweating through a side hustle. Or maybe you'd be able to quit the job you aren't loving and choose something that makes you feel alive. Don't let debt stand between you and that life. Sign up for your free Ramsey+ membership and learn how to faithfully handle money in God-honoring ways and pay off debt for good. Redeem your free Ramsey+ membership today - go to firstumc.org/ramsey-plus and complete the online form. Questions? Contact Warren at wpattison@firstumc.org.

### Last Youth Parent Connect of the School Year - Sun, Apr 10, 5:30-7pm

Each month in Parent Connect we explore important topics in parenting teens today. This month we welcome Dr. Liz Dumville to share about how parents can better communicate with their teens. This is especially important as we navigate adolescence and allowing teens to take on more responsibility and the autonomy to make their own choices, as well as the consequences of those choices. Sun, Apr 10, 5:30-7pm in room C-207. Dinner is available in the Fellowship Center at 5pm for \$5/person. Register at firstumc.org/parent-connect.

#### Women's Walking Groups Mon, 9am & 5pm

We will meet in front of the church at the Swan near Lake Morton. We will walk, talk, pray and enjoy the beautiful Lake Morton scenery. Register at firstumc.org/groups or for more information, contact Sharon Diaz, sdiaz@firstumc.org.

# **MISSIONS**

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

# Salvation Army Serving Opportunity, Register at firstumc.org/events

Our ministry partner invited us to help with their Easter event for children and families on Apr 16. Meet at 2pm in the First United bus parking lot adjacent to the facilities building. We will return to church at 5:30pm. Open to all ages. Children younger than middle school must be accompanied by a parent.

#### First Food Collection, Register at firstumc.org/events

On the first Sunday of each month, we collect food at First United's Missions Depot for Called to Serve Farmworkers, Mulberry UMC Migrant Ministry and Volunteers in Service to the Elderly (VISTE) from 12:45-3pm. Open to all ages. Children younger than middle school age must be accompanied by a parent.

