8:15AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/AN	David McEntire		
PRELUDE	Immortal, Invisible/Corl		
*CALL TO WOR	SHIP	David McEntire	
*HYMN	Immortal Invisible		
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 887		David McEntire	
*GLORIA PATRI	We Will Glorify		
PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER		David McEntire	
OFFERTORY	His Love/arr. Kuhn	Muriel Kuhn, Piano	
*DOXOLOGY 9	5 Praise God from Whom all Blessings F	low	
SERMON	We Believe in God (Acts 17:22-28)	Andy Whitaker Smith	
*HYMN 2027	HYMN 2027 Now Praise The Hidden God Of Love (O Waly Waly)		
*BENEDICTION		Andy Whitaker Smith	
*RESPONSE 43	1 As We Go		
POSTLUDE	We Have Met to Worship the King/Larson	Matthew H. Corl	

9:30AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

OPENING SONG	House of the Lord			
WELCOME/ANNOUN	NCEMENTS	David McEntire		
CALL TO WORSHIP		Jeremy Hearn		
*SONGS OF PRAISE Indescribable, All Creatures of our God and King,				
Life is Beautiful				
PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER		David McEntire		
OFFERTORY	This I Believe (The Creed)			
SERMON V	Ve Believe in God (Acts 17:22-28)	Andy Whitaker Smith		
*SONG OF RESPONS	E God the Maker of the Heavens			
*BENEDICTION		Andy Whitaker Smith		

11:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS		Andy Whitaker Smith
PRELUDE	Immortal, Invisible/Corl	
*CALL TO WORSHIP		Andy Whitaker Smith
*HYMN 103	Immortal, Invisible	
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 887		Andy Whitaker Smith
*GLORIA PATRI 70	Glory Be to the Father	
ANTHEM	His Love/arr. Kuhn	Muriel Kuhn, Piano
PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER		Andy Whitaker Smith
OFFERTORY	Lord, I Believe in You/Young	Chancel Choir
*DOXOLOGY 94	Praise God from Whom all Blessings	s Flow
SERMON	We Believe in God (Acts 17:22-28)	Andy Whitaker Smith
*HYMN 88	Maker, in Whom We Live	
*BENEDICTION		Andy Whitaker Smith
*RESPONSE 671	Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing	9
POSTLUDE	Fanfare/Bedard	Matthew H. Corl

11:00AM THE CURRENT WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS David McEntire **CALL TO WORSHIP** David McEntire ***SONGS OF PRAISE** Indescribable, All Creatures of our God and King, Life is Beautiful **CENTERING PRAYER** David McEntire OFFERTORY This I Believe (The Creed) DOXOLOGY SERMON We Believe in God (Acts 17:22-28) David McEntire COMMUNION David McEntire ***SONG OF RESPONSE** God the Maker of the Heavens ***BENEDICTION** David McEntire **CALL TO WORSHIP**

LEADER: As United Methodists, we believe in God.

Creator, Sustainer, and Redeemer of all. ALL:

LEADER: We believe God is working in and through all of creation.

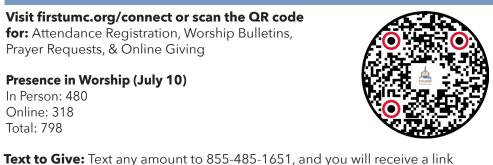
As United Methodists, we will seek to proclaim God's love toward ALL: all people.

ABOUT OUR SERVICES

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

Presence in Worship (July 10) In Person: 480

Online: 318 Total: 798



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)



to contribute.

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 The Current: A unique worship experience with contemporary worship music and settings. Communion is offered each Sunday.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Hospitalized (as of July 18) Doris Devlin, Gail Lasarso, John Schlachter, Jim Verplanck, Claire Struck, Lois Walton, Mike Yevchak

> Death Caroline Wills, 5/25 Charlotte Schofield, 6/7

Altar Flowers In memory of Buzz Watkins & Mildred Watkins by The Watkins Family

In honor of Emily & Matthew on their 25th wedding anniversary, July 26 by Diana Corl

In memory of Dr. Gordon Heath by his children Lucy, Read & Paul

*Please stand if you are able

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.



Wednesday Evening Dinner/Classes

Mark your calendar for these summer supper dates: Aug 3, and Aug 17. Our preview of Fall offerings will be Aug 31. Dinners are 5-6pm, in our Fellowship Center. Tickets are \$8 for adults (13 & up), \$4 for children (12 & under).



Family Christmas in July Game Night Jul 31, 5-7pm

Come celebrate Christmas in July with a Family Game Night! Dinner will be \$5 per person with a family cap of \$20. For more information and to register visit firstumc.org/events.



Family Back to School Bash Aug 7, 5-7pm

Come enjoy some fun in the sun as we kick off the school year on the Front Lawn with waterslides, dunk tanks, food, and music! For more information and to register visit firstumc.org/events.

WELCOME

We are pleased to announce that Josephine Gabriel has decided to accept the Director position at First Steps Preschool. With 30+ years of experience in early childhood education and directing early childhood education programs, Josephine is well-qualified. We are excited that she will be able to continue building upon the excellent work that Cherry has done at the Preschool.

Josephine is currently serving as the Director at Publix Child Development Center and will transition to the Director role here at First UMC in mid-August. Josephine welcomes this new chapter as the Director of First Steps Preschool at First United Methodist Church. She is excited to meet the children, staff and families and looks forward for an exciting new school year!

We are also excited to welcome many new preschool teachers to our team and we look forward to opening more classrooms!

MISSIONS

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

Noah's Ark: needs help with some crafts as part of their National Night Out celebration. Leave First United at 3:30pm on Aug 2; return at 7:30pm. Open to all ages. Children younger than middle school age must be accompanied by a parent. Register at firstumc.org/events.

First Sunday Food Collection time change: Beginning with the Aug 7 collection, we will receive food at the Missions Depot from immediately following the 11am worship services until 2:30pm. Please make note of this change. You may drop donations in the blue bins around the church during regular business hours.

Back to School: Please prayerfully consider serving in a classroom or the library for a few hours each week at Philip O'Brien Elementary, our partner school. We need volunteers for the back-to-school breakfast for teachers and staff on Aug 3. Contact Forrest White, Director of Missions, to sign up or with questions (fwhite@firstumc.org).

All God's Children: On Aug 27, from 10:30am-1:30pm, we will join friends in our "adopted" neighborhood for a BBQ and time of fellowship as part of the Dream Center's Engage Lakeland initiative, which seeks to build "real relationships" based on "love and trust." Children younger than middle school age must be accompanied by a parent. Register at firstumc.org/events.

Game Time: On the first Saturday each month we will visit Noah's Ark for games and fellowship with residents!!! Founded in 1997, Noah's Ark exists "to provide meaningful housing and lifestyle options for people with intellectual or developmental disabilities." Meet at 9am in the First United bus parking lot. We will return to church at Noon. Open to all ages. Children younger than middle school age must be accompanied by a parent. Upcoming dates: Sept 3 and Oct 1. *registration required at firstumc.org/events.

Clean the Water: On Aug 20, we will spend the morning doing cleanup around Lake Parker with the City of Lakeland's Toby's Water Warriors program. Meet at 8:30am in the First United bus parking lot adjacent to the facilities building. We will return to church around 11:30am. Cleanup supplies provided by the City. Open to all ages. Children younger than middle school age must be accompanied by a parent. Requires completed liability release form. *registration required at firstumc.org/events.

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)

Family Fall Kick Off, Aug 14

All children, youth, and parents are invited to come learn all about our big events, curriculum, and win prizes! Dinner will be served. Register at firstumc.org/events so that we can plan for food and beverages.

YOUTH

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

Sunday Morning: 10-10:45am Donuts and Discussion, F1

Family Fall Kick Off, Aug 14

All children, youth, and parents are invited to come learn all about our big events, curriculum, and win prizes! Dinner will be served. Register at firstumc.org/events so that we can plan for food and beverages.

Warren Willis Youth Fall Retreat

Join Connect Youth Ministries as we head to Warren Willis for their Fall Retreat! We will be leaving at 5 PM on Friday, Sep 16 and returning at Noon on Sunday, Sep 18. The cost to attend is \$125 per person. Registration closes on Monday, Sep 5. Register at firstumc.org/events.

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.

Sisterhood Women's Book Club

Ladies, do you enjoy reading books and being a part of a community of Christminded, open-hearted people? You are invited to join the Sisterhood Women's Book Club! We meet twice a month on Wednesdays (following summer supper schedule) at 6:30pm in Room C-204. Our upcoming meeting is a book discussion on Jul 20 on Love Has a Name by Adam Weber along with a social/wrap up on Aug 3. On Aug 17, there will be a book discussion on The Hiding Place by Corrie Ten Boon followed by a social/wrap up on Aug 31. For more information and to register, visit firstumc.org/groups.

Men's Weekly Lunchtime Bible Study

Followers of the Way, our weekly men's Bible study, meets on Tuesdays, 11:45am-1pm in the Parlor. Men of all ages are invited to join us for lunch and a study of the upcoming Sunday's Bible passage. Purchase your hot lunch in the Fellowship Center for \$10 and join us in the Parlor at 11:45 for a time of sharing. At noon we pray and then dive into our study, concluding by 1pm. Contact Warren for more info (wpattison@firstumc.org, 863-686-3163 x227). Register at firstumc.org/ groups.

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