

8:15AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP		
<b>WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		
<b>PRELUDE</b>	Blessed Assurance/Harmon	David McEntire
<b>*CALL TO WORSHIP</b>		Matthew H. Corl
<b>*HYMN 369</b>	Blessed Assurance	David McEntire
<b>*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 889</b>		David McEntire
<b>*GLORIA PATRI</b>	We Will Glorify	
<b>PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER</b>		David McEntire
<b>SERMON</b>	Be Faithful (Hebrews 11:1-3)	Nicki Taylor
<b>INVITATION, CONFESSION, &amp; PARDON</b>		Nicki Taylor
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	Come, Let Us Eat	Worship Ensemble
<b>THE GREAT THANKSGIVING</b>		David McEntire
<b>COMMUNION</b>		
<b>*HYMN</b>	My Hope is Built on Nothing Less	
<b>*BENEDICTION</b>		Nicki Taylor
<b>*RESPONSE</b>	As We Go	
<b>POSTLUDE</b>	Epilogue/Gilbert	Matthew H. Corl
9:30AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP		
<b>OPENING SONG</b>	God So Loved	
<b>WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		David McEntire
<b>CALL TO WORSHIP</b>		Jeremy Hearn
<b>*SONGS OF PRAISE</b>	Oceans (Where Feet May Fail), My Lighthouse, Cornerstone	
<b>PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER</b>		David McEntire
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	There’s Nothing That Our God Can’t Do	
<b>SERMON</b>	Be Faithful (Hebrews 11:1-3)	Nicki Taylor
<b>COMMUNION</b>		Nicki Taylor
<b>*SONG OF RESPONSE</b>	Because He Lives	
<b>*BENEDICTION</b>		Nicki Taylor
11:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP		
<b>WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		
<b>PRELUDE</b>	Blessed Assurance/Harmon	Nicki Taylor
<b>*CALL TO WORSHIP</b>		Matthew H. Corl
<b>*HYMN 369</b>	Blessed Assurance	Nicki Taylor
<b>*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 889</b>		Nicki Taylor
<b>*GLORIA PATRI 70</b>	Glory Be to the Father	
<b>PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER</b>		Nicki Taylor
<b>SERMON</b>	Be Faithful (Hebrews 11:1-3)	Nicki Taylor
<b>INVITATION, CONFESSION, &amp; PARDON</b>		Nicki Taylor
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	We’ve Come This Far By Faith/Hayes	Chancel Choir; Nick Folkes
<b>THE GREAT THANKSGIVING</b>		Nicki Taylor
<b>COMMUNION</b>		
<b>*HYMN 508</b>	Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom	
<b>*BENEDICTION</b>		Nicki Taylor
<b>*RESPONSE 664</b>	Sent Forth by God’s Blessing	
<b>POSTLUDE</b>	Epilogue/Gilbert	Matthew H. Corl
<b>*Please stand if you are able</b>		

11:00AM THE CURRENT		
<b>WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS</b>		
<b>*CALL TO WORSHIP</b>		David McEntire
<b>*SONGS OF PRAISE</b>	God So Loved, My Lighthouse, Cornerstone	David McEntire
<b>CENTERING PRAYER</b>		David McEntire
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	Do It Again	
<b>DOXOLOGY</b>		
<b>SERMON</b>	Be Faithful (Hebrews 11:1-3)	David McEntire
<b>COMMUNION</b>		David McEntire
<b>*SONG OF RESPONSE</b>	I Surrender All	
<b>*BENEDICTION</b>		David McEntire

CALL TO WORSHIP
LEADER: Faith is the assurance of things hoped for
<b>ALL:      and the conviction of things not seen.</b>
LEADER: By faith we live and by faith we have hope.
<b>ALL:      Thanks be to God who has given us the gift of faith.</b>

ABOUT OUR SERVICES
<p><b>Visit <a href="https://firstumc.org/connect">firstumc.org/connect</a> or scan the QR code for:</b> Attendance Registration, Worship Bulletins, Prayer Requests, &amp; Online Giving</p>
<p><b>Presence in Worship (September 18)</b>            In Person: 575            Online: 440            Total: 1015</p>
<p><b>Text to Give:</b> Text any amount to 855-485-1651, and you will receive a link to contribute.</p>

<b>8:15am Sanctuary Service:</b> Traditional worship presented in a new way with a fresh approach to time-honored hymns and a variety of styles of music.
<b>9:30am Fellowship Center:</b> A more contemporary, relaxed atmosphere with worship music of today.
<b>11am Sanctuary Service:</b> Traditional hymns with organ accompaniment, as well as musical pieces from our various fine arts groups.
<b>11am The Current:</b> A unique worship experience with contemporary worship music and settings. Communion is offered each Sunday.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE
<p><b>Hospital</b>            Pete Brunner</p>
<p><b>Altar Flowers</b>            To dedicate Altar Flowers in Memory or in Honor of a loved one, visit <a href="https://firstumc.org/altar-flowers">firstumc.org/altar-flowers</a> or contact Angela Everett: 863-686-3163</p>

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).



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)

	<p><b>Advent Devotion Writers Needed</b></p> <p>The 2022 Advent sermon series theme is “A Thrill of Hope.” The devotion can be up to 500 words and must include a scripture verse and a short prayer. Send your devotion via email to <a href="mailto:AdventDevotion@firstumc.org">AdventDevotion@firstumc.org</a> by Friday, Oct 7. If you have any questions, please contact Muriel Kuhn at 386-546-7343.</p>
	<p><b>Trunk or Treat, Oct 29, 4-6pm</b></p> <p>Join us for a day of fun, food, and fellowship! Dress up in a costume and collect candy at our Trunk or Treat. To learn more, register, or volunteer, go to <a href="https://firstumc.org/tot">firstumc.org/tot</a>.</p>
	<p><b>World Communion Sunday</b></p> <p>Your donations support racial and ethnic students in achieving their educational goals and transforming communities. In 2021, World Communion Sunday offerings awarded 242 scholarships and grants. Your generosity continues to provide scholarships, grants, mentoring and training for leadership development. The needs exceed what we can fund and your gifts can further growth and success.</p>

## 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

**4-6pm Kids PRAISE (K-5th Grade)**

**6:30-7:30pm Small Group (K - 5th Grade) Childcare is available for children VPK and younger for adults participating in on-site classes and groups. (Registration available: [firstumc.org/children/](http://firstumc.org/children/))**

### Thursdays

**9-10:30am Pray and Play**

### Family Mission Trip Information Meeting, Oct 9, 12:15-1pm, C-112

We are excited to announce our first ever Children's Family Mission Trip to St. Simons Island, GA. This trip will be on July 26-29, and open to families with children who have completed Kindergarten-5th Grade.

### 4th & 5th Grade Event, Friday, October 21, 6-8pm

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 October 14, visit [firstumc.org/children](http://firstumc.org/children).

## 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.

### Sundays:

**10-10:45am Donuts and Discussion, F1**

### Tuesdays:

**5-6pm Youth Dance Ministry**

### Wednesdays:

**6-7:30pm Open Gym and MS/HS Bible Study**

### Pumpkin Patch Delivery, Thurs, Oct 6, 4pm

The pumpkins are coming! We need as many people as possible to help us unload all of the pumpkins off the delivery truck and set up our pumpkin patch. Please include a cell phone number so that we can add you to the Remind text group and keep you updated in case the pumpkins are running early or late. For any questions please email Megan Gallagher at [mgallagher@firstumc.org](mailto:mgallagher@firstumc.org).

### Pumpkin Decorating Party, Oct 7, 1-4pm

Early Release Day! Children, Youth, and Neighborhood Ministries are celebrating an early release from school by having a pumpkin decorating party! There will be Lunch, Pumpkin Decorating, Games, and more!

### Pumpkin Patch Kick-Off Event, Sat, Oct 8, 4-6pm

This is a free event with games, snacks, pumpkin decorating, and more! To learn more and register, go to [firstumc.org/events](http://firstumc.org/events).

## MEMORY

If you, a friend, or family member living with memory loss would be interested in learning more about our Memory Ministry, please contact Vicky Pitner at [vpitner@firstumc.org](mailto:vpitner@firstumc.org)

### Volunteer Training, Mon, Oct 10, 1-3pm, Large Conference Room

Our Memory Ministry needs volunteers to support individuals living with dementia by connecting with friends, family and faith in a group setting. This ministry promotes overall wellness in a social, spiritual, and engaging atmosphere, and a stimulating and structured programs. No experience is necessary.

## MISSIONS

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

### Philip O'Brien Elementary Campus Beautification, Oct 8, 8-11am

We will work to beautify the O'Brien campus from 8-11am. Open to all ages. Children younger than middle school must be accompanied by a parent. registration required at [firstumc.org/events](http://firstumc.org/events).

### Philip O'Brien Elementary Opportunities

In addition to serving as a classroom volunteer each week, we have these opportunities:

- Serve on our O'Brien Passion Team - Help plan, organize and implement our special events at the school; invite and encourage others to give time and resources; advocate for the school in the congregation and community; brainstorm ways to strengthen our partnership.
- Mentor - Invest time in a student who needs a positive role model.
- Adopt a teacher/staff member - Send notes or give small gifts of encouragement through the year. (O'Brien, like many schools, has struggled with teacher retention.)
- Donate gift cards - We are collecting \$25 gift cards for the school to recognize teachers and staff for going the extra mile. All cards (restaurants, gas, movies, Amazon, stores, etc.) welcome. Please submit cards to Forrest White, Director of Missions, instead of placing in the blue bins.

### OneBlood, Sun, Oct 9, 9:30am-12:30pm

OneBlood will be back on campus for your blood donations next Sunday.

## 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.

### Study the Bible with Our Pastors

Our monthly Bible study with the pastors will be on Tues, Oct 4 at 6:30pm. Rev. David McEntire will lead the men in room C-206 and Rev. Nicki Taylor will lead the women in room C-204. There is also an option to join either study via Zoom. Learn more and register by searching for "pastor" under Find a Group at [firstumc.org/groups](http://firstumc.org/groups).

### Midweek Meal and Groups

Our weekly Midweek Meal happens each Wed evening. Dinner service starts at 5pm in our Fellowship Center. Tickets are \$8 for adults (13 and up) and \$4 for children 12 and under. Groups and classes for all ages also happen on Wednesdays. Learn more at [firstumc.org/midweek](http://firstumc.org/midweek).

### Parent Connect Night: Talking to Your Teens about Porn, Sun, Oct 9, 5:30pm, C-207

One of the most destructive issues facing today's teenagers is the prevalence and consumption of pornography. How can it affect your child's mental well-being, and how can you talk with your teen about it? Patricia Sabol has worked as a licensed mental health counselor for more than 10 years and has helped hundreds of Lakelanders overcome issues with anxiety, depression, trauma, and more. Join us as she and others guide us in this important conversation. Register at [firstumc.org/events](http://firstumc.org/events).

### Planned Giving Seminars, Wed Oct 5, 12 and 19, 6:30-7:30 pm, Large Conference Room

- Oct 5 - Special Considerations in Estate Planning: Join our panel of experts as they discuss topics including Homestead property, charitable giving, the impact of dying without a will, and planning for your pet.
- Oct 12 - End of Life Planning: Our panel of experts will discuss how to leave a financial legacy to your family and community and what to include when planning for your funeral.
- Oct 19 - Community Resources for Older Adults: Who can you turn to when you have a question about aging? Our panel of experts will cover local programs and services that can assist you or a family member when they need help.

Register for any these sessions at [firstumc.org/groups](http://firstumc.org/groups).

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