8:15AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

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PRELUDE	Prelude on Slane/Phillips	Matthew H. Corl		
*CALL TO WO	RSHIP	Andy Whitaker Smith		
*HYMN	Be Thou My Vision			
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 885		Andy Whitaker Smith		
*GLORIA PATE	We Will Glorify			
PRAYER/THE L	ORD'S PRAYER/PASSING OF THE PEACE	Nicki Taylor		
OFFERTORY	Andante from Sonata No. 2/Beethoven	Amber Alderman, violin		
*DOXOLOGY	95 Praise God from Whom all Blessing	js Flow		
SERMON	When All Else Fails (Micah 6:1-8) Riley Short		
*HYMN 452	My Faith Looks Up to Thee			
*BENEDICTION	l	Riley Short		
*RESPONSE	As We Go			
POSTLUDE	The Modal Trumpet/Karam	Matthew H. Corl		

9:30AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/PASSING OF THE PEACE

OPENING SONG	Be Thou My Vision	
CALL TO WORSHIP		Jeremy Hearn
*SONGS OF PRAISE	Life Is Beautiful; Less Like Me;	
	Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly	
PRAYER/THE LORD'S	Nicki Taylor	
OFFERTORY	All The Poor and Powerless	
SERMON	When All Else Fails (Micah 6:1-8)	Riley Short
*SONG OF RESPONSE	Christ Be All Around Me	
*BENEDICTION		Riley Short

11:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS				
PRELUDE	Prelude on Slane/Phillips	Matthew H. Corl		
*CALL TO WO	RSHIP	Nicki Taylor		
*HYMN 451	Be Thou My Vision			
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 885 Nicki Taylor				
*GLORIA PATE	Glory Be to the Father			
*ANTHEM	Andante from Sonata No. 2/Beethoven	Amber Alderman, violin		
PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER/PASSING OF THE PEACE Nicki Taylor				
OFFERTORY	Lord, Make Me an Instrument/Lind	h Chancel Choir		
*DOXOLOGY	94 Praise God from Whom all Blessing	s Flow		
SERMON	When All Else Fails (Micah 6:1-8)) Riley Short		
*HYMN 452	My Faith Looks Up to Thee			
*BENEDICTION	I	Riley Short		
*HYMN 671	Lord, Dismiss Us With Thy Blessin	g		
POSTLUDE	The Modal Trumpet/Karam	Matthew H. Corl		

11:00AM THE CURRENT WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS ***CALL TO WORSHIP** Andy Whitaker Smith ***SONGS OF PRAISE** Build Your Kingdom Here; Be Thou My Vision; All the Poor and Powerless **CENTERING PRAYER** Andy Whitaker Smith OFFERTORY Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly DOXOLOGY SERMON Andy Whitaker Smith COMMUNION Andy Whitaker Smith ***SONG OF RESPONSE** Christ Be All Around Me

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Happy are we when our treasures cannot be quantified.

Happy are we when our knowledge is tempered by mystery. ALL:

LEADER: Happy are we when our pain is held in the balm of love.

ALL: Happy are we when our delight comes from beyond ourselves.

ABOUT OUR SERVICES

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

Presence in Worship (January 15) In Person: 686 Online: 458

Total: 1,144

***BENEDICTION**



Andy Whitaker Smith

Text to Give: Text any amount to 855-485-1651, and you will receive a link 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

Hospital Marilyn Crist, Ronald Grove, Janet Patton, Jeanell Waring

Altar Flowers

In loving memory of our son and brother - Logan Painter. "Logan, may you have a wonderful heavenly birthday. We love you more than words can express and miss you every minute of every day. Your Dad, your Mom, and your sister Lexie."

In memory of Ray Harrison's birthday by the Harrison family (Renée, Rochelle and Ragan)

To dedicate Altar Flowers in Memory or in Honor of a loved one, visit firstumc.org/altar-flowers or contact Angela Everett: 863-686-3163

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.









We are glad you joined us today! Whether you are a member or a guest, please take a moment to register your attendance at firstumc.org/connect.



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



Florida United Methodist Children's Home Fifth Sunday Giving

The Florida United Methodist Children's Home has been supported by Florida United Methodist churches for more than 110 years. An offering is received from United Methodist churches on the fifth Sundays.

Saxton's Cornet Band, TODAY, 4pm, Sanctuary, \$10/person

With dramatic readings, period humor, and exceptional music, this historically accurate concert experience recreates the sounds, appearance and conduct of brass bands during the Victorian Era from the Civil War to the turn of the century. Visit firstumc.org/concert-series to purchase tickets.

Harrison Chamber Orchestra, Wed Feb 1, 7pm, Sanctuary

We are pleased to host the Harrison Chamber Orchestra from the Lois Cowles Harrison Center for the Visual and Performing Arts under the direction of conductor Matt Davis. This concert is free and tickets are not required.

Higher Education Scholarship Applications

The applications for a higher education scholarship are due Feb 17. For more information and the application, visit firstumc.org/scholarship.

CHILDREN

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

Sundavs:

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 (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/)

Thursdays: 9-10:30am Pray and Play

4th and 5th Grade PJ & Movie Party- Feb 24, 6-8pm

Lights! Camera! Action! Coming to the big screen, in C-112, "The Parent Trap" Come dressed in your PJs, bring a blanket, pillow, your favorite stuffed animal, and settle in for a night with friends, food, and fun. Dinner and movie snacks will be provided. To register by Feb 17, visit firstumc.org/children.

Created by God, April 21-23, Warren Willis Camp + Conference Center

Created by God is a comprehensive, faith-based study of human sexuality for 5th graders and their parents or guardians. The Created by God curriculum was developed by Dr. James H. Ritchie. For additional information or to register visit firstumc.org/children.

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 10-10:45am Donuts and Discussion, C201D 5-7pm Youth Group, Fellowship Center (Pick up at C building)

Tuesdays: 5-6pm Youth Dance Ministry, C201B&C

Wednesdays:

6-7:30pm Open Gym and MS/HS Bible Study, C201 6-7:30pm Confirmation

Mystery Trip Retreat, Mar 10-12

Shhh it's a secret! We have a weekend of fun planned for our youth! The total cost for the weekend is \$100. Parents will receive a top secret envelope with all information for the weekend once the youth are on the bus and ready to go. Make sure to sign up by Feb 13 and join us to find out what the Mystery is!

Youth UMC Conference 2023, July 24-28

Join us for the 2023 Youth Conference in Daytona, Fl. This conference only happens every 4 years and this year it's in Florida! On Monday, July 24 we will be serving at the Florida Children's Home and then we will be in Daytona from the 25-28. The conference kicks off with a Rend Collective concert on the 25. On the 26 and 27, youth will have opportunities to hear from different speakers and participate in learning and service opportunities along with communion, worship, and free time. The total cost for the week is \$375 which includes lunch and dinner on the 26 and 27. Youth will need to bring money for the other meals as well as any souvenirs they would like to purchase. We are covering the cost for the hotel for all youth.

Youth Serve Saturday, Lake Parker Clean-Up, Feb 4, 8:30-11:30am

We will be meeting at the church and heading over to Lake Parker to pick up trash around the lake. Please make sure your child is wearing appropriate clothing to be cleaning up trash around the lake. All youth who participate will receive 2 service hours.

Youth Big Game Party, Feb 12, 6-8:30pm, Free

We will be having a Tijuana Flats Taco Bar for dinner! The party will be at the Kaufmann's house. Transportation will not be provided from the church. Feel free to invite your friends! Please RSVP by Feb 7 at firstumc.org/youth.

MISSIONS

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

First Sunday Food Collection, Feb 5

We will receive food at the Missions Depot immediately following the 11am worship services until 2:30pm. Servants at First United sort and box donations. The list of REQUEST-ED items has CHANGED based on prioritizing greatest needs. Moving forward we are collecting these items ONLY - VISTE: Peanut butter (regular size, jumbos are too big to pack); boxed pasta; breakfast cereal; ground coffee; boxed rice. Called 2 Serve Farmworkers: Maseca flour (4 lb bags); cooking oil (16-40 ounces only); white rice (2 pounds); black beans (2-3 pounds, bags ONLY); breakfast cereal. Mulberry United Methodist: canned meat (tuna, chicken, Vienna sausage); peanut butter; breakfast cereal; canned veggies; macaroni and cheese. Please note: every ministry partner requests breakfast cereal. ***Please provide only requested items and NO glass jars.

kidsPACK, Feb 1

Setup begins at 9am in the First United Welcome Center and takes about 90 minutes. At 4pm we pack and wrap weekend food bundles. Please mark your calendar for the first Wednesdays of the rest of the school year (March 1, April 5 and May 3) to help with this important ministry.

Lake Parker Clean-Up, Feb 4, 8:30-11:30am

Join us to help clean up around Lake Parker with this City of Lakeland's Toby's Water Warriors program. Cleanup supplies provided by the City. Open to all ages. Requires completed liability release form, available from Missions Director Forrest White. *registration required

Engage Lakeland, Feb 25, 10:30am-1:30pm

We will be back in our "adopted" neighborhood off Brunnell Parkway for another time of food and fellowship. Our goal? A team of 25 from First. Open to all ages. Children younger than middle school age must be accompanied by a parent. *registration required

ADULTS

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

Midweek Meal

Our 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 Weds. Learn more at firstumc.org/midweek.

January Classes - register at firstumc.org/groups

Creation Care - The Christian's Relationship to the Environmen, Weds, 6:30-7:30pm through Feb 15

As Christians, we are called to protect and preserve God's creation. First UMC's Creation Care Committee presents this seminar series, facilitated by Dr. Tom Reuschling. We'll explore environmental challenges and how our church can move closer to being a "green church". This seminar will feature three expert speakers to provide perspectives on critical environmental issues and answer your questions.

Surprised by Hope: Rethinking Heaven, the Resurrection, and the Mission of the Church, Weds, 6:30-7:30pm through Feb 22

Join Gwen Pipkin in an exciting exploration of bestselling author N. T. Wright's book on what it means to believe in the resurrection of the body, and the implications of that belief. If God intends to renew the whole creation-already begun in Jesus's resurrection-the church cannot stop at "saving souls" but must anticipate the eventual renewal by working for God's kingdom in the wider world, bringing healing and hope in the present life.

Wesley Recovery Fellowship Starts Feb 1

We're forming a new group to support and encourage one another, learn new skills, and worship together. The group is for anyone in recovery from anxiety, depression, alcohol or drug addiction, and trauma. Karl Olexa MSW and Ron Bell will facilitate. An informational meeting will be Wed Feb 1 at 6:30pm at the Aldersgate House - 722 E. Walnut St. For more info, contact Warren (wpattison@firstumc.org, 863-686-3163 x227).

Sunday School for Adults

Our Adult Sunday School classes are currently meeting in person with the option to join online. Visitors are welcome to participate in any of these classes. For more information on connecting with a particular class, email Warren (wpattison@firstumc.org).

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