

## 8:15AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

### WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

|   |  |                                  |
|---|--|----------------------------------|
| PRELUDE                                       | Intermezzo/Kim                             | Matthew H. Corl                  |
| *CALL TO WORSHIP                              |  | Andy Whitaker Smith              |
| *HYMN 569                                     | We've a Story to Tell to the Nations       |                                  |
| *AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 881                     |  | Andy Whitaker Smith              |
| *GLORIA PATRI                                 | We Will Glorify                            |                                  |
| PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER/PASSING OF THE PEACE |  | Nicki Taylor                     |
| SERMON  | A Firm Determination (1 Corinthians 2:1-5) | Riley Short                      |
| INVITATION, CONFESSION, & PARDON              |  | Riley Short                      |
| OFFERTORY                                     | Panis Angelicus/Franck                     | Karen Buie and Christine Stanley |
| *THE GREAT THANKSGIVING                       |  | Andy Whitaker Smith              |
| COMMUNION                                     |  |                                  |
| *HYMN 2068                                    | I Love You, Lord                           |                                  |
| *BENEDICTION                                  |  | Riley Short                      |
| *RESPONSE                                     | As We Go                                   |                                  |
| POSTLUDE                                      | Trumpet Tune/Portman                       | Matthew H. Corl                  |

## 9:30AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

### WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

|                                   |  |                     |
|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------|
| *INVITATION, CONFESSION, & PARDON |  | Nicki Taylor        |
| *SONGS OF PRAISE                  | God So Loved, Say So                       |                     |
| PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER          |  | Nicki Taylor        |
| OFFERTORY                         | Sinking Deep                               |                     |
| SERMON                            | A Firm Determination (1 Corinthians 2:1-5) | Riley Short         |
| COMMUNION                         |  | Andy Whitaker Smith |
| *SONG OF RESPONSE                 | I Thank God                                |                     |
| *BENEDICTION                      |  | Riley Short         |

## 11:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

### WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

|   |  |                     |
|---|--|---------------------|
| PRELUDE                                       | Intermezzo/Kim                             | Matthew H. Corl     |
| *CALL TO WORSHIP                              |  | Andy Whitaker Smith |
| *HYMN 569                                     | We've a Story to Tell to the Nations       |                     |
| *AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 881                     |  | Andy Whitaker Smith |
| *GLORIA PATRI 70                              | Glory Be to the father                     |                     |
| PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER/PASSING OF THE PEACE |  | Andy Whitaker Smith |
| SERMON  | A Firm Determination (1 Corinthians 2:1-5) | Riley Short         |
| INVITATION, CONFESSION, & PARDON              |  |                     |
| OFFERTORY                                     | This Little Light of Mine/Helvey           | Chancel Choir       |
| *THE GREAT THANKSGIVING                       |  | Andy Whitaker Smith |
| COMMUNION                                     |  |                     |
| *HYMN 175                                     | Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee            |                     |
| *BENEDICTION                                  |  | Riley Short         |
| *RESPONSE 171                                 | There's Something About That Name          |                     |
| POSTLUDE                                      | Trumpet Tune/Portman                       | Matthew H. Corl     |

\*Please stand if you are able

## 11:00AM THE CURRENT

### WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

|                                   |                               |              |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|
| *INVITATION, CONFESSION, & PARDON |                               | Nicki Taylor |
| *SONGS OF PRAISE                  | Take My Life, Say So, Freedom |              |
| CENTERING PRAYER                  |                               | Nicki Taylor |
| OFFERTORY                         | Awake My Soul                 |              |
| DOXOLOGY                          |                               |              |
| SERMON                            | (1 Corinthians 2:1-16)        | Nicki Taylor |
| COMMUNION                         |                               | Nicki Taylor |
| *SONG OF RESPONSE                 | I Thank God                   |              |
| *BENEDICTION                      |                               | Nicki Taylor |

## CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: We are called to bring a new understanding of God: that God so loves the world.

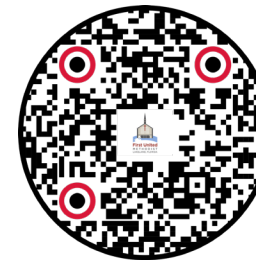
**ALL: We are the salt of the earth.**

LEADER: We are called to bring a new hope in God: that God gives us new life.

**ALL: We are the light of the world.**

## ABOUT OUR SERVICES

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



### Presence in Worship (January 22)

In Person: 900  
Online: 500  
Total: 1,400

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

**Crucifers and Acolytes:** Ella Deming, 11am

**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

Pat Bradford  
Doug Hallman

### Deaths

Howard Fitzgerald, 1/22  
Nina Ruth Keller Nailling 1/28

### Altar Flowers

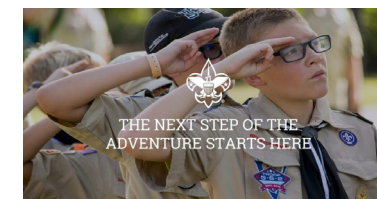
To dedicate Altar Flowers in Memory or in Honor of a loved one, visit [firstumc.org/altar-flowers](http://firstumc.org/altar-flowers) or contact Angela Everett: 863-686-3163

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](http://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)



### Scout Sunday, Today

Scout Sunday falls on the Sunday before Feb 8, Scouting Anniversary Day. It is used to recognize and celebrate the ministry and the adults and youth involved. To learn more, visit [firstumc.org/scouts](http://firstumc.org/scouts).

SUMMER  
INTERNSHIP  
OPPORTUNITIES  
AVAILABLE

### Internship Opportunities Available

Youth Ministry and Children's Ministry are both seeking a summer intern. For more information or to apply, visit [firstumc.org/employment](http://firstumc.org/employment).



### Dinner Theatre & Silent Auction Feb 24 & 25, 6:30-8:30pm, \$30/person

Join us for a delicious dinner, a delightful silent auction, and *The Scandalous Scheme at the Sweet Shoppe*, an entertaining 1920's themed melodrama featuring flappers, jazz, & ragtime music. Purchase tickets at [firstumc.org/events](http://firstumc.org/events).



### Warren Willis Summer Camp, July 10-15

Warren Willis Camp registration is open! To learn more, register, request scholarship assistance, or sign up for a ride to and from camp, visit [firstumc.org/events](http://firstumc.org/events).

## 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)** \*No Programming 2/12

### 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**

**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/](http://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/](http://firstumc.org/children/)

### LAST CHANCE

If you and your family are interested in attending our family mission trip to St. Simons Island, GA (Wed, July 26 - Sat, July 29) contact Cristi Moore today.

## 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:

**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 \$425 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 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/](http://firstumc.org/youth/)

## MISSIONS

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

**First Sunday Food Collection, Today**

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 REQUESTED 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.

**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

**Cost of Poverty Experience (COPE), Mar 26, 12:15-3:30pm**

COPE is designed to help participants begin to understand what it might be like to live as a typical low-income family in the United States. It is a simulation and debriefing that provides a glimpse into what it's like to walk for a month in the shoes of families trying their best just to survive. It is an invaluable experience for people who, instead of merely talking about poverty as a problem, choose to be part of the solution to end poverty. This event is open to adults, high school and middle school youth, and 4th and 5th graders accompanied by a parent. No cost to participate. Space is limited to 120. Lunch provided in the Fellowship Center immediately after 11am worship services. Simulation begins promptly at 1pm in Room C201-A. All participants must register through the COPE system. Find the event here at [firstumc.org/cope](http://firstumc.org/cope).

## 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, Tue, Feb 7, 6:30pm**

Rev. Riley Short will lead the men in room C-203 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).

**Youth Parent Connect "Love Languages & Your Youth", Tonight, 5:30-7:00pm, C-207**

Join Emily Felgenhauer as we discuss different love languages and how to love our youth. Learn more and register at [firstumc.org/events](http://firstumc.org/events).

**Quarterly Fellowship for Military Personnel, Sun, Feb 12**

All active duty and retired military personnel are invited to gather at the fountain courtyard for a special time of sharing and fellowship, following all morning worship services. We thank you for your service!

**Painting in Primaries starts Sun, Tonight, 5-7pm**

Learn watercolor basics with a limited palette in this 8-week course with Ron Bell. Supplies are provided, and participants will explore a variety of watercolor techniques. Cost is \$20/person. Register at [firstumc.org/groups](http://firstumc.org/groups).

**Move It! Move It! Zumba Stretch, Tues, Feb 7 - Mar 7, 6-6:45pm, C-112**

Join Angela Bowne for Zumba, stretching and relaxation. Register at [firstumc.org/events](http://firstumc.org/events). Move It! Move It! Thai Chi coming on Thursdays in March.

**Wesley Recovery Fellowship, Weds beginning Feb 1, 6:30pm, Aldersgate**

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. All are welcome on Wednesday at 6:30pm at the Aldersgate House - 722 E. Walnut St. For more info, contact Warren ([wpattison@firstumc.org](mailto:wpattison@firstumc.org), 863-686-3163 x227).

**United Women in Faith Unit Meeting and Luncheon, Mon, Feb 13, 10:30am-1pm**

United Women in Faith invites all women to the Feb 2023 meeting, "Prayer and Self-Denial", in the Fellowship Center. A full lunch will follow the program and is \$8. Register at [firstumc.org/events](http://firstumc.org/events).

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