8:15AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS Andy Whitaker Smith **PRELUDE** Voluntary/Wood Elaine Clemens *CALL TO WORSHIP Kim DuBreuil

*HYMN 2070 He Is Exalted

Andy Whitaker Smith Psalm 62: 5-12 ***PSALTER 787**

We Will Glorify *GLORIA PATRI

PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER/PASSING OF THE PEACE Andy Whitaker Smith Chris Skoll, trombone **OFFERTORY** Great Is Thy Faithfulness/arr. Kelly

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow **DOXOLOGY 95**

What Really Matters to You? (1st Corinthians 13) SERMON Charley Reeb

Take Up Thy Cross *HYMN 415

*BENEDICTION Charley Reeb

*RESPONSE As We Go

POSTLUDE Fuga/Buxtehude Elaine Clemens

9:30AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS Andy Whitaker Smith *CALL TO WORSHIP Andy Whitaker Smith

*SONGS OF PRAISE God So Loved, Oceans (Where Feet May Fail),

Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly

PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER Andy Whitaker Smith

OFFERTORY Be Thou My Vision

SERMON What Really Matters to You? (1st Corinthians 13) Charley Reeb

Goodness Of God ***SONG OF RESPONSE**

*BENEDICTION Charley Reeb

11:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS Charley Reeb **PRELUDE** Voluntary/Wood Elaine Clemens *CALL TO WORSHIP Archie Buie

Take Up Thy Cross *HYMN 415

*PSALTER 787 Psalm 62: 5-12 Archie Buie

*GLORIA PATRI Glory Be to the Father

DISCIPLE RECOGNITION

Great Is Thy Faithfulness, arr. Kelly Chris Skoll, trombone **ANTHEM** PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER/PASSING OF THE PEACE Archie Buie

OFFERTORY Peace Like a River/arr. Moore **DOXOLOGY 94** Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

SERMON What Really Matters to You? (1st Corinthians 13) Charley Reeb

Lead On, O King Eternal *HYMN 580

*BENEDICTION Charley Reeb

*RESPONSE 666 Shalom to You

POSTLUDE Fuga/Buxtehude Elaine Clemens

11:00AM THE CURRENT

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS Andy Whitaker Smith *CALL TO WORSHIP Andy Whitaker Smith

*SONGS OF PRAISE God So Loved, Oceans (Where Feet May Fail),

Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly

Andy Whitaker Smith **CENTERING PRAYER**

OFFERTORY Be Thou My Vision

*DOXOLOGY

SERMON On the Ground (Mark 12:28-31) Andy Whitaker Smith

COMMUNION

Andy Whitaker Smith

***SONG OF RESPONSE** Goodness Of God

*BENEDICTION Andy Whitaker Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: God calls us in the stillness and in the storm.

We come, listening for God's voice. ALL:

LEADER: In song and silence, in Word and Table - God is near.

We open our lives to holy transformation.

ABOUT OUR SERVICES

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.

Visit firstumc.org/connect or scan the QR code

for: Attendance Registration, Worship Bulletins, Prayer Requests, & Online Giving

Presence in Worship (Aug 10)

In Person: 791 Online: 1,216 Total: 2,007

Chancel Choir

Giving Through August 3, 2025

YTD Budgeted Income: \$2,432,794 YTD Actual Income: 2,148,003 \$ (284,791)

Questions? Call Patrick Hamrick in the church office, 863-686-3163 x213

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

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Please notify the church when you are in the hospital! For care and love from pastors & the church, call or email the church office and leave word about your hospitalization. If you are unable to do this, ask a friend or relative to do it for you.

Hospital

Ken Devore Mary Louise Selph Betty Tedder

Deaths

Jane Nord, 7/30

Altar Flowers

In honor of Lynn Hollis' 90th birthday by her loving family

In honor of Dr. Ed & Dawn Jeffries, who are celebrating their 69th wedding anniversary on August 18th.

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.

DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

Weekly Text: 1st Corinthians 13

Monday: In what ways have you experienced or expressed love in your life recently? Can you identify moments where love was absent or where you struggled to show love?

Tuesday: Paul describes love in various ways throughout this chapter. Which characteristic of love resonates with you the most, and why? How can you incorporate this aspect of love into your daily interactions?

Wednesday: Reflect on the statement that without love, our gifts are meaningless. Have you ever witnessed a situation where someone's gifts were overshadowed by a lack of love? How did that impact the community or individuals involved?

Thursday: How does understanding that love is eternal change your perspective on relationships and interactions with others? What steps can you take to ensure your focus remains on love rather than temporary achievements?

Friday: Choose one characteristic of love from this chapter to focus on in the coming week. How will you intentionally practice this in your relationships, whether at home, work, or in your community?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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



Advent Devotional Writers
Be part of this year's daily devotional book by sharing your voice and creativity! Whether it's a short written reflection (under 500 words), a meaningful story or memory, a family tradition, a favorite recipe, an original poem, an acrostic, a skit, or even a piece of visual art-all formats are welcome. The devotion should include a title, short prayer and a verse or two of scripture. Deadline to submit your work to adventdevotion@firstumc.org is Oct 10.



Grow in small group community this Fall with Disciple Bible Study! Explore the Bible and build a strong scriptural foundation as you develop life-changing relationships. For decades, Disciple has been transforming lives and forming deeper and more equipped followers of Jesus. Our Fall courses include Disciple 1 (Mon at 6pm), Disciple 4 (Sun at 5pm), and Jesus in the Gospels (Mon at 6pm). Orientation for all classes is Sun, Aug 24 at 5pm. Learn more at firstumc.org/DBS.

CHILDREN

For information regarding Children's Ministry events, contact Megan Gallagher, Director of Children's Ministries: mgallagher@firstumc.org, (863) 686-3163 x280

9:30am KIC Start (Infants 6 weeks - VPK) 11am Childcare (Infants 6 weeks - VPK)

KIC Family Event, Today, 2:30-4:30pm

Join us in C-112 for the August KIC Family event! It's a great opportunity for parents to connect and enjoy some fellowship while the little ones, from birth to 5th grade and any older siblings, have a blast at the preschool and children's playgrounds. To help everyone stay cool in the summer heat, the Children's Ministry will provide refreshing treats, and there will be games set up indoors for families to enjoy. No need to register–just come along and have a fantastic time!

KIC Club 4/5, Sunday, Sep 7, 5:00 -7:00pm
Attention 4th and 5th graders! You're invited to join us for a planning event where we'll chat about our upcoming monthly gatherings. If you have ideas on potential destinations, we'd love to hear them, so make sure to come! This year, our meetings will alternate between Friday and Sunday nights to give everyone a chance to participate. To sign up for the event, visit firstumc.org/children by Sep 6.

Wednesday Night KIC Friends (K - 5th Grade): Science and the Bible, 6-7:30pm Have you ever thought about how magnets relate to the Bible or how a science experiment can reveal something about God? Join us on Wed nights to explore these intriguing questions and discover even more! We ask that you register just once to help us prepare enough materials for everyone. For more details, check out firstumc.org/groups.

Wednesday Night KIC Friends Fun (6 weeks - PreK 4), 6-7:30pm

While parents attend a class or engage in various activities on campus, rest assured that your little one is having a blast making friends and learning about God. They'll enjoy a Bible story followed by a fun activity or craft that ties into the lesson. Remember, registration is necessary, and parents must remain on campus throughout the event. For more information and to sign up, visit firstumc.org/groups.

Pray and Play Thursdays, 9:00-10:30am (Beginning Sep 4)

A special time for non-school age children and their caregivers (parents, grandparents, nanny, etc.). Join us to connect and grow together as we navigate the joys, challenges, and ever-changing phases of life with littles.

MISSIONS

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

Philip O'Brien Elementary School

The 2025-26 school year is here! Please consider helping our partner school in one of more of these ways: 1) Serve as a kindergarten reading pal for an hour each week. Training required. Must be screened by PCSB; 2) Saturday library days beginning Sept. 20 from 10am-Noon at the school. Help the students develop as avid readers!!! Contact either of our O'Brien passion team leaders for additional information – Joleen Golden (joleengolden@yahoo.com) or Ann Skellenger (abraham409@aol.com).

Children's Clothes Closet

As this important ministry gets busy with the start of school, they need gently worn clothing, especially jeans of any size, kids and adult. Additional urgent needs: Girl's and boy's clothing sizes 10-18; teen clothing since the CCC provides clothes for teens through the Hearth program, which serves children who don't have permanent housing. Throughout the year remember this ministry serves children from birth through high school, so they always welcome a wide range of sizes. Last year the ministry served 1500 children and expects to serve even more this year. You may drop donations in the blue bins around the church campus.

Options for Women

Our ministry partner needs more volunteers and you don't have to be medically trained to serve. There are many other ways, including administratively and helping at events. If you'd like to serve, please contact them at 863-393-6988. Find out more about this ministry at their website: optionsforwomenphc.com.

INVITE

For more information, contact Invite Ministry Pastor, Kim DuBreuil, at kdubreuil@firstumc.org or Invite Ministries Coordinator, Andrea Bailey, at abailey@firstumc.org

Home Visitation

Seeking volunteers to make quarterly homevisits to our church members. Commit to visiting 1 or 2 members, or more if you wish! For more info, contact Executive Assistant, Nicole Wood at nwood@firstumc.org.

Get Involved with the Altar Guild

Interested in helping out at church in a hands-on way? Join us at the Altar Guild meeting, Mon, Sep 8 at 5pm in the Parlor. Discover how you can be a part of preparing our campus for worship and touch the hearts of our congregation. No experience? No problem. We'd love to have you!

YOUTH

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

Sunday, Aug 17: 10:30-11am Donuts and Discussion 3:30-5pm Youth Praise Band 5-7pm Youth Group

Tuesday, Aug 19: 5-6pm Youth Dance Ministry

Wednesday, Aug 20: 5:15-6pm Youth Praise Band Rehearsal 6-6:30pm Open Gym 6:30-7:30pm Middle School and High School Bible Studies

ADULTS

For more information, contact Warren Pattison, Director of Adult Ministries: wpattison@firstumc.org, (863) 686-3163 x227. Registration for groups, classes, and courses is available at firstumc.org/groups.



Grow in your faith this fall by joining a small group or Bible Study. Learn more at firstumc.org/groups.

Parables with Pastor Charley, Wed, Sep 3-Oct 8, 6 PM, Rm C-207
Explore Jesus' Parables with Senior Pastor, Rev. Dr. Charley Reeb. Discover the profound spiritual truths hidden within Jesus' most impactful stories. Pastor Charley will offer a fresh perspective on how these timeless narratives speak to our modern lives. Whether you're new or revisiting these teachings, this is a welcoming space for all to grow. Just bring your Bible; no prior preparation is needed. Register at firstumc.org/groups.

Financial Peace University Fall Session begins on Wednesday, Sep 3

Weekly classes to kickstart your journey towards financial peace will be held on Wednesday nights starting at 6 PM. You'll learn to pay off debt fast, save more money, and build lasting wealth. Secure your spot today and register at firstumc.org/fpu.

Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study restarts on Thursday, Sep 11
Connect with other women, build meaningful relationships, and deepen your faith. Join the Thursday morning Women's Bible Study, which meets at 10 am in Room C-204. This fall, we begin with a 6-week study of Jesus's parables, utilizing Josh Scott's resource "Parables: Putting Jesus's Stories in Their Place". Books are available at Our Giving Tree Bookstore for \$12. Register at firstumc.org/groups.

Christ-Centered Yoga Fall Series, Mon, Sep 15-Nov 24, 6pm Join a beginner level, slow-flow Christ-centered yoga class with Be Still Movement. Experience a time to enjoy stillness through physical movement, meditation, & breath prayers as worship to Christ. A time to slow down and come as you are. Register at firstumc.org/groups.

JOY(Just Older Youth) 55+ Ministry September Lighthouse Ministries Discovery Tour and Lunch, Fri, Sep 19, 10am

Meet at the church at 9:45 AM to travel by church bus to visit our ministry partner, Lighthouse Ministries. The Lighthouse Ministries Discovery Tour will be a fun and informative look behind the scenes and includes a free lunch. Registration closes on Friday, September 12. Space is limited, so register today at firstumc.org/events.

United Women in Faith (UWF) Meeting, Mon, Sep 15,10:30am, Fellowship Center Ladies, join us for our September meeting followed by lunch. Participants in the 2025 MissionU study will bring us highlights from their experiences this past summer of "Practicing Hope". Make reservations for lunch (\$10.00) that follows the meeting by emailing your reservation to aliceray529@aol.com by Wednesday, Sep 10.

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