

8:15AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP		
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS	Andy Whitaker Smith	
PRELUDE	Fanfare on Hanover/Arakelyan	Matthew H. Corl
*CALL TO WORSHIP	Kim DuBreuil	
*HYMN 708	Rejoice In God’s Saints	
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 887	Kim DuBreuil	
*GLORIA PATRI	We Will Glorify	
REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS		
PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER/PASSING OF THE PEACE	Andy Whitaker Smith	
OFFERTORY	In the Sweet By and By/arr. Drennan	Karen Buie; Debbie Klise, flute
DOXOLOGY 95	Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow	
SERMON	The Measure of Our Faith (Matthew 25:31-40)	Charley Reeb
*HYMN 711	For All The Saints	
*BENEDICTION	Charley Reeb	
*RESPONSE	As We Go	
POSTLUDE	Postlude on Sine Nomine/Wright	Matthew H. Corl

9:30AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP		
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS	Kim DuBreuil	
CALL TO WORSHIP	Kim DuBreuil	
*SONGS OF PRAISE	O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing, Cornerstone	
REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS		
PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER	Andy Whitaker Smith	
OFFERTORY	For All The Saints	
SERMON	The Measure of Our Faith (Matthew 25:31-40)	Charley Reeb
*SONG OF RESPONSE	She Me How To Love	
BENEDICTION	Charley Reeb	

11:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP		
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS	Andy Whitaker Smith	
PRELUDE	Fanfare on Hanover/Arakelyan	Matthew H. Corl
*CALL TO WORSHIP	Andy Whitaker Smith	
*HYMN 708	Rejoice in God’s Saints	
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 887	Andy Whitaker Smith	
*GLORIA PATRI	Glory Be to the Father	
ANTHEM	In the Sweet By and By/arr. Drennan	Karen Buie; Debbie Klise, flute
REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS		
PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER/PASSING OF THE PEACE	Andy Whitaker Smith	
OFFERTORY	When the Saints Go Marching In/Rutter	
	Chancel Choir; Bruce Adams, Clarinet/Chris Skoll, Trombone/Michael Andress, Bass	
DOXOLOGY 94	Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow	
SERMON	The Measure of Our Faith (Matthew 25:31-40)	Charley Reeb
*HYMN 711	For All the Saints	
*BENEDICTION	Charley Reeb	
*RESPONSE 666	Shalom To You	
POSTLUDE	Postlude on Sine Nomine/Wright	Matthew H. Corl

Today is All Saints’ Sunday. At the 11am traditional service we celebrate the new life of these saints with John Rutter’s Dixieland setting of “When the Saints Go Marching In”. You are invited to sing along at the end.

*Please stand if you are able

11:00AM THE CURRENT		
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS	Kim DuBreuil	
*CALL TO WORSHIP	Kim DuBreuil	
*SONGS OF PRAISE	All Creatures, O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing, Cornerstone	
REMEMBRANCE OF THE SAINTS		
CENTERING PRAYER	Kim DuBreuil	
OFFERTORY	Show Me How To Love	
*DOXOLOGY		
SERMON	Virtue, Valor and Victory (Hebrews 12: 1-3)	Kim DuBreuil
COMMUNION	Kim DuBreuil	
*SONG OF RESPONSE	Christ Be All Around Me	
*BENEDICTION	Kim DuBreuil	

CALL TO WORSHIP	
LEADER: We gather in the presence of the God of every generation.	
ALL:	We remember the saints who showed us holy love.
LEADER: Their light still shines, inspiring us to serve you, O God.	
ALL:	We give thanks, and we step forward in their footsteps.

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 (Oct 26)
In Person: 859
Online: 1,330
Total: 2,189

Giving Through October 19, 2025
YTD Budgeted Income: \$3,296,043
YTD Actual Income: 3,008,095
\$ (287,948)

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.

Acolytes/Crucifers: Cameron Vessels, 8:15am; Alex Michel, 11am

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	Marjorie Brisbin	
Death	Bill Pinner, 10/22	
Altar Flowers	In memory of Bishop & Mrs. Arthur Wesley, Bernice Welch and Hilda Benitez by Betty & Ruth Wesley	

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:	Matthew 25:31-40
Monday:	Reflect on the imagery of the sheep and the goats. What does it mean to be part of the “sheep” who are welcomed into the Kingdom?

Tuesday: Jesus identifies himself with the hungry, thirsty, and stranger. How does this change your perspective on serving others?

Wednesday: Jesus emphasizes that serving others is serving him. How can this truth motivate your daily interactions?

Thursday: Think about the significance of doing for “the least of these.” Why is compassion essential in our faith journey?

Friday: Reflect on the importance of faith and works. How do they work together in your life?

Prayer: Eternal God, thank you for the teachings of Jesus that remind us of our call to serve others. Help us to see you in those around us, especially in those who are marginalized. Give us the courage and compassion to act in love and reflect your grace in our lives. May our hearts be open to serve and our hands ready to help. In Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

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)	



All Saints Sunday, Today
Today, during all morning worship services, we will be celebrating All Saints Day with the lighting of candles. Please join us as we remember by name, those in our church family who have passed on to eternal rest since All Saints Day last year. Communion will take place next Sunday.



The Jewelry, Purse & Tie Sale is almost here!
The wait is over – and you don’t want to miss it! Join us for our annual Jewelry, Purse & Tie Sale happening Friday-Sunday, Nov 7-9, in the Welcome Center at First UMC Lakeland. Shop an incredible selection of donated jewelry, handbags, and ties – perfect for treating yourself or finding thoughtful gifts for friends and family! Every purchase helps support our mission projects. Hours are 8am-1pm in the Welcome Center, First UMC Lakeland (Parking available on Vistabula St., east side of Lake Morton). Cash or credit accepted. Come shop for a cause – and make a difference while finding something beautiful!



Salvation Army Bell Ringing
Join us in ringing the Salvation Army bell at Grove Park Publix, starting Dec 1, 10am-8pm daily (except Sundays) until Dec 24. Choose your two hour shift at firstumc.org/events or contact Angela at 863-686-3163 or aeverett@firstumc.org to schedule.



Neighborhood Ministries Food Assistance
We will be collecting food donations for our Holiday Assistance. To donate, grab a bag and shopping list from the bins in the Narthex, Fellowship Center, or Welcome Center, fill it up with the recommended items and place in the blue bins around campus. We would like to receive filled bags by Nov 16, for Thanksgiving & Dec 7, for Christmas.

CHILDREN

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

Sundays
9:30am KIC Start (Infants 6 weeks - 5th Grade)
11am Childcare (Infants 6 weeks - VPK)

Wednesdays
4:00-5:15pm KIC Choir (kindergarten - 5th grade)
6:00 -7:30pm KIC Friends (Infants 6 weeks - 5th Grade)

Thursdays
9:00-10:30 Pray and Play

Parent Advent Study, The Heart that Grew Three Sizes, Weds, Nov 19 - Dec17, 6-7pm
Join us for an Advent study this Christmas season as we explore faith themes in the Christmas classic “How the Grinch Stole Christmas”! This class is specifically for parents of children. We are excited to provide this Advent study as a way for parents to connect with one another this season and continue the conversation together at home as a family! To register for the class please visit firstumc.org/children. (We will not meet Nov 26)

Children’s Advent Study, The Heart That Grew Three Sizes, Weds, Nov 19-Dec 17, 6-7:30pm
Join us on Wednesday nights for an engaging exploration of The Heart That Grew Three Sizes, designed for children of all ages. Adults will participate in the same Advent study, fostering meaningful discussions that families can continue at home. The study will run from 6:00 to 7:00 PM, followed by a time for free play and fellowship from 7 - 7:30pm for those who wish to stay. To register for this study, please visit firstumc.org/children. Please note that this Advent study will replace the usual KIC Friends Science and Bible through Play groups through the Christmas season. (We will not meet Nov 26)

KIC Club 4/5 Bowling at Bowlero, Fri, Nov 14, 6-8pm
Attention 4th and 5th graders! Are you excited for an evening filled with friendship, delicious food, and tons of fun? This is a fantastic chance to invite your friends for a memorable night! Just a quick reminder: all participants will need a notarized medical release form. The cost is \$20 per child. For more details and to register by Nov 9, please visit firstumc.org/children.

KIC Family Christmas Craft, Sun Nov 16, 2:30-4:30pm
Mark your calendars for a fun-filled afternoon where the entire family can join in on a creative advent wreath project! This event is completely FREE, offering a wonderful opportunity for everyone to enjoy a hands-on experience. Please register so we can ensure we have enough supplies for each family at firstumc.org/children.

Breakfast with Santa Volunteers NEEDED, Sat, Dec 6, 9-11am
Are you ready to have fun and be a part of a wonderful community outreach event? Great, we need you! You can sign up for one shift, or multiple shifts, to fit your availability. For more information or to sign up please visit: firstumc.org/children.

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.

Women’s Monday Morning Walking Group resumes tomorrow!
Ladies, the Monday Morning Walking Group is back! Join us for weekly walks starting November 3 at 8:30 a.m. We’ll meet in front of the church by the swan statue near Lake Morton for fellowship and a beautiful morning walk. Stay up-to-date on all group details by registering at firstumc.org/groups.

Women’s Book Club, Wed, Nov 5, 6pm, Rm C-205
Let’s discuss The Faith Club together. What happens when a Muslim, a Christian, and a Jew come together to talk about their faiths? In The Faith Club, authors Ranya Idliby, Suzanne Oliver, and Priscilla Warner show us. You’re invited to join a compelling book discussion where we’ll explore their search for understanding and expand our own perspectives on spiritual journeys. Secure your spot by registering at firstumc.org/groups.

The Nyadire Connection Hearing Innovation Update, Thu, Nov 6, 10am, Rm C-204
Join the Thursday Morning Women’s Bible study for a special presentation from Deborah Swineford. She will share about her mission work supporting deaf and hard-of-hearing students at the Nyadire United Methodist Mission in northeastern Zimbabwe. Learn more about how the all-volunteer organization, The Nyadire Connection (TNC), is making a difference. All are welcome to hear her story and learn more about this vital effort.

UWF Quarterly Unit Meeting and Lunch, Mon, Nov 10, 10:30am, Fellowship Center
Mark your calendars for our quarterly unit meeting and lunch. We will have a special presentation on the UWF Mission Study, “Practicing Hope,” and the World Thank Offering. Make reservations for lunch (\$10.00) that follows the meeting and enjoy the fellowship of others. Email your reservation to aliceray529@aol.com by Wednesday, Nov 5.

TheoEd, Wednesdays through Nov 12, 6pm, Rm C-207
TheoEd offers an accessible way to explore your faith, whether you’re a lifelong churchgoer or just starting to get curious. We use short, TED-talk-style videos and group discussions to dive into a variety of topics on faith and life. Just show up-no reading or preparation is needed. Everyone is welcome. Register at firstumc.org/groups.

Baseball as a Metaphor for the Christian Life, Wednesdays through Nov 19, 6pm, C-206
Step up to the plate this October—right in the heart of World Series action! What does America’s favorite pastime reveal about walking with Christ? Join Karl Olexa for an unexpected journey where the crack of the bat meets the power of Scripture. Whether you’re a die-hard fan or barely know a strike from a ball, you’ll never see baseball—or your faith—the same way again! Register at firstumc.org/groups.

JOY 55+ Ministry: Museum Tour & Lunch, Fri, Nov 21
Explore the newly expanded Ashley Gibson Barnett Museum of Art on Friday, November 21, starting at 10:30 a.m. with a docent-led tour. Afterward, we’ll head to The Joinery for a group lunch. Sign up at FirstUMC.org/events to join the fun!

YOUTH

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

Sunday, Nov 2:
9:30am Youth Choir Practice
10:30am Donuts and Discussion
3:30pm VIBE Team
3:30pm Youth Praise Band
5pm Youth Group

Tuesday, Nov 4:
5pm Youth Dance Ministry

Wednesday, Nov 5:
4:45pm Youth Handbells
5:15pm Youth Praise Band Rehearsal
6pm Open Gym
6:30pm Middle School and High School Bible Studies

High School Mission Trip, Alaska, June 6-12, 2026
Join us as we head to Anchorage, Alaska for our summer high school mission trip. This is a wonderful opportunity to bond as a youth group and to see a part of the United States that is rare for most inland Americans. For more info. or to register by Nov 15, visit firstumc.org/youth.

Middle School Christmas Party, Sun, Dec7, 5-7pm
Join us for our Winter Wonderland Christmas Party! Come dressed in white and light blue, and don’t forget to bring a \$5 white elephant gift for your small group exchange. For more info. or to register by Nov 24, visit firstumc.org/youth.

High School Christmas Progressive Dinner, Sun, Dec 7, 5-8:30pm
Dress in your Christmas BEST! We will be leaving at 5pm for appetizers, then to dinner, and ending up at our last stop for dessert and \$5 White Elephant Gift Exchange. For more info. or to register by Nov 24, visit firstumc.org/youth.

Rock the Universe, Jan 23-25, 2026
Get ready for an unforgettable weekend of faith, music, and fun at Rock the Universe, Florida’s biggest Christian music festival! For more info or to register by Nov 30, visit firstumc.org/youth.

MISSIONS

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

Food Collection
We will receive food at the Missions Depot today immediately following the 11am worship services until 1:30pm. Servants at First United sort and box donations. Our donations have dropped off considerably. Please contribute if you can. Even one jar of peanut butter helps! The list of requested items is posted at firstumc.org/firstsundayfood. Thank you for your generosity and please donate only requested items.

KidsPACK
Our next packing event will be this Wednesday, Nov 5. Setup begins in the Welcome Center at 9am while packing begins at 4pm. If you have questions, please contact our KP leader Skip Stevenson (safetyskip@gmail.com) Note: Please mark your calendars for the first Wednesday of each month through May for the 2025-26 school year.

Children’s Clothes Closet
This important ministry has urgent needs for: 1) Workers to fill orders on Wednesday mornings from 9:30am-1pm; 2) Shoppers who can shop regularly at thrift stores and Walmart or Dollar Tree; 3) Someone to weekly take items we can’t use to either Talbot House, Lighthouse or Salvation Army. Please contact Karen Ruthven (ekaren5@aol.com) if you will serve.

Better Together
We are blessed to be in partnership with Better Together, whose mission includes reducing the number of children entering foster care by providing parents with a safety net for their children in times of crisis. Better Together connects parents to vetted volunteer families who can temporarily care for their children and allow them to get back on their feet or navigate a crisis. Ninety-eight percent of children served by Better Together through hosting and mentoring haven’t required state intervention. Please join us next Sunday, Nov 9, and Dec 14 in the Welcome Center during Second Sunday gathering to meet Better Together staff people and find your way to serve with them and their important mission.

YOUNG ADULTS (AGES 18-35)

For more information, contact Jen Swygard, Director of Young Adult Ministries: JSwygard@firstumc.org, (863) 686-3163 x226; Follow us on IG: @1stLKLDYoungAdults or FB: 1st LKLD Young Adults to stay connected

2nd Sunday, Friendsgiving Nov 9, 12-2pm, Room C-205
Bring your favorite food—college style! Poptarts? Fried chicken? Whatever! We’ll be making Thankful Parchments (a large parchment sign to hang & write each day what you are thankful for).

YAs Serve: Dream Center, Thurs, Nov 13th, 5-7pm
Join us to serve at the Community Shoppe & Market where (in addition to regular grocery distribution) people in the community can “shop” for personal hygiene items, cleaning supplies, and extra groceries. Meet at the Mercantile building at 706 W 5th Street at 5pm.

Fall Corn Maze & Hay Ride, Sat, Nov 15, 4:30-6:30pm
Meet at the church Welcome Center by 4pm if you want to carpool, or meet us there at 4:30pm (Harvest Holler: 950 Tayares Rd, Polk City, FL). Bring \$17 for the entrance fee & ~\$15 for food (or just show up if you’re on a budget and see Jen). We’ll eat dinner, get lost in the maze, feed some animals, and have the best peach cobbler in Polk County (don’t tell your granny I said that!).



ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

NOVEMBER 2, 2025

Rev. David L. Adams	W Bernard (Bernie) Lester
Clayton Addison	Charlie McMullen III
Gisele Allain	Suzanne Moody
Peggy Beck	Maddox Moore
Kathleen (Kay) Betz	Dorothea Morton
Tawfik Refaat Boulos	Bradley (Brad) Nelson
Robert Breen	Jane Nord
Morgan Hunter Brown	George Overstreet
Steven Buckner	Larry Overton
Shelagh Cook	Lois Phelps
Dayl Davis	William Pinner
Kathleen (Kay) DeWitt	Helen Polland
Rev. Paul Dickinson	Rev. Ralph Posey
Rev. Larry Dietrich	Harlan Proctor Jr
Avis Dodson	Patricia Quinn
Rev. Dr. Patrick Elmore	Herman Rose
Roxann Fagaly	Lynn Sangster
Clem Farley	Elizabeth (Betsy) Sargeant
Fern Fickes	Steve Shortino
Rev. William Ray Finklea	Robert (Bob) Smith
Ronald (Ron) Firestone	Jeffrey Sobecki
Patricia Fore	Jay Springer
Phyllis Greene	James Stahl
Nora Guttridge	Richard (Dick) Stone
Michael Hallman	Vera Strayer
Larry Hamrick Sr.	David Swindell III
Linda (Sue) Harris	Mark Swygert
Roy Harris	Amabel Traylor
Norris Hayford Jr	Edwin Vetter
Jack Hollis	James Waibel
Elisabeth (Karin) Hopwood	Alyce Walker
Kay Kennedy	Lois Walton
Vern Kressin	Harriet Warren
Iwan Kurniawan	Allen Williamson
Russell Lake	Tom Wilson
Kolby Lambert	Jerry Yarbrough
Jesse Law	

**The list above reflects deaths reported to the church from
November 2, 2024 to October 28, 2025**