

8:15AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS		Kim DuBreuil
PRELUDE	Shine, Jesus, Shine/Ray	Matthew H. Corl
*CALL TO WORSHIP		Andy Whitaker Smith
*HYMN 2173	Shine, Jesus, Shine	
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 888		Andy Whitaker Smith
*GLORIA PATRI	We Will Glorify	
PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER/PASSING OF THE PEACE		Kim DuBreuil
OFFERTORY	Great is Thy Faithfulness/arr. Schrader	Jenny Heidtman
DOXOLOGY 95	Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow	
SERMON	Seeking the Savior (John 12:20-22)	Charley Reeb
*HYMN 2130	The Summons	
*BENEDICTION		Charley Reeb
*RESPONSE	As We Go	
POSTLUDE	Every Time I Feel the Spirit/Patterson	Matthew H. Corl

9:30AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Andy Whitaker Smith
CALL TO WORSHIP		Andy Whitaker Smith
*SONGS OF PRAISE	The Father’s House, Holy Water, Rest On Us	
PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER		Kim DuBreuil
OFFERTORY	So Will I (100 Billion X)	
SERMON	Seeking the Savior (John 12:20-22)	Charley Reeb
*SONG OF RESPONSE	Goodness Of God	
BENEDICTION		Charley Reeb

11:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS		Kim DuBreuil
PRELUDE	Introduction on Ratisbon/Rotermund	Matthew H. Corl
*CALL TO WORSHIP		Kim DuBreuil
*HYMN 173	Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies	
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 888		Kim DuBreuil
*GLORIA PATRI	Glory Be to the Father	
ANTHEM	Great is Thy Faithfulness/arr. Schrader	Jenny Heidtman
PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER/PASSING OF THE PEACE		Kim DuBreuil
OFFERTORY	The Heavens Are Telling/Patterson	Chancel Choir
DOXOLOGY 94	Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow	
SERMON	Seeking the Savior (John 12:20-22)	Charley Reeb
*HYMN 261	Lord of the Dance	
*BENEDICTION		Charley Reeb
*RESPONSE 666	Shalom To You	
POSTLUDE	Rondo in D/Ellis	Matthew H. Corl

Two of today's songs come from the Great Britain. English poet Sydney Carter wrote “Lord of the Dance” which choreographs the life of Jesus as a dance. “Will You Come and Follow Me” is from the Iona Community of Scotland. It's dancelike verses are spoken from God to us in a variety of ministry settings, however the last verse is our response to God. As Jesus called the disciples he is calling us to follow him.

*Please stand if you are able

11:00AM THE CURRENT

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS		Andy Whitaker Smith
CALL TO WORSHIP		
*SONGS OF PRAISE	Be Still, Restless, Not in a Hurry	
CENTERING PRAYER		Andy Whitaker Smith
OFFERTORY	Goodness of God	
*DOXOLOGY		
SERMON	Awakened To Grace: Silence	Andy Whitaker Smith
COMMUNION		Andy Whitaker Smith
*SONG OF RESPONSE	O Come To The Altar	
*BENEDICTION		Andy Whitaker Smith

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: The journey of faith is not just for Sundays.
ALL: We are disciples in every moment and place.
LEADER: God equips us with grace for the work ahead.
ALL: We worship, we grow, and we move forward—together.

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 (Jan 18)

In Person: 830

Online: 1,336

Total: 2,166

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

Acolytes/Crucifers: Cameron Vessels, 8:15am

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.

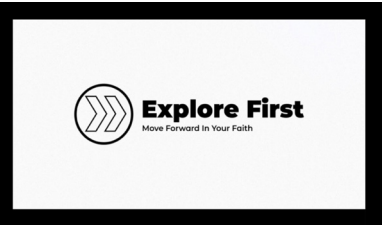
Wedding:
Tiffany Yamilkosi & Brandon Caudill, 1/16

Hospital
Pat Couturier

Deaths
Jan Hermany, 1/17
John Surber, 1/18

Altar Flowers

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.



Inviting People to Church
Let's face it, it's tough! How do I bring up the conversation? What if they say no? But “what if” God has been preparing your heart? What if they say yes? What if they could find healing at church? What if they decide to have a relationship with Jesus? What if they experience an authentic community and love it the first time? What if our church renews their hope and faith in Christ? Contact Pastor Kim (kdubreuil@firstumc.org) if you're interested in exploring whether First Church is for you.



DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

Monday: Read John 12:20. Reflect on who the Greeks were and what their desire to see Jesus signifies about the universal appeal of Christ. Consider who in your life is seeking him. Think about your own journey of seeking Christ. What does it mean to truly seek him?

Tuesday: Read John 12:21. The Greeks approached Philip with a request. Reflect on the importance of asking questions in faith and being open to guidance. Are there questions you need to bring to God? How can you seek answers with an open heart?

Wednesday: Read John 12:22. Philip didn’t respond alone; he went to Andrew. Reflect on the importance of community in our faith journey and seeking Christ together. Who are the people in your life that help you seek Jesus? Consider reaching out to them this week.

Thursday: Read John 12:21-22. The request to see Jesus is an invitation to a deeper relationship. Reflect on how you can cultivate a more profound encounter with Christ in your daily life. What steps can you take to be more intentional about seeking and experiencing Jesus?

Friday: Read John 12:20-22. Consider how you can respond to the call to see and know Jesus more intimately. What changes might you need to make? In what ways can you actively pursue a closer relationship with Christ this week?

Prayer: Eternal God, thank you for the invitation to seek you and to know you more deeply. Help us, like the seekers in John 12, to approach you with open hearts and minds. May we not only seek answers but also cultivate relationships within our community that draw us closer to you. Guide us as we pursue a deeper understanding of your love and grace in our lives. 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)



Stewardship
Our 2026 Stewardship Season is nearing its conclusion, and we are so grateful for the generosity shown by our church family. Currently, we are 5% away from reaching our goal. If you haven’t already, we encourage you to complete your estimate of giving in support of the church’s ministries for 2026. Giving cards are available in the Fellowship Center, Sanctuary, or online firstumc.org/stewardship. Thank you for blessing the ministries of the church and helping us make a difference!



Church Wide Golf Tournament Registration NOW Open, Mon, Feb 16, 7:30am

Join us on February 16th at Cleveland Heights Golf Course for our Golf Tournament. You can sign up to play as an individual or a team of four. We have a variety of sponsors and packages available. (All hole sponsors must be purchased by February 1st.) Proceeds from the Golf Tournament will go to the Chance to Go Scholarship fund for Children, Youth, and Neighborhood Ministries. The Chance to Go Scholarship helps children and youth be able to attend Mission Trips, Warren Willis Summer Camp, and other events and trips that help them to grow deeper in their faith. For more information and to register head to firstumc.org/youth.

Fine Arts Sunday, Feb 1
Join us for a unique worship experience where creativity and faith come together in powerful expression. This special service celebrates the many ways God speaks through the arts - music, visual art, & dance. Come ready to see, hear, and feel the beauty of God’s presence through the talents He’s given His people. We will celebrate Fine Arts Sunday in our 8:15, 9:30 & 11:00 worship services and all are welcome!



The Higher Education Scholarship Application Deadline is February 1!

Our church is privileged to grant scholarships for higher education from the endowment first established by Kay and Milton Wiser many years ago. This scholarship is available for church members who are currently pursuing education beyond high school. Applications are available at firstumc.org/scholarships.





Volunteers NEEDED for Golf Tournament, Mon, Feb 16, 7:30am
Students do not have school that Monday because it's Presidents Day. This is a great opportunity to be present in the community and give back to our church that help funds our ministries! We are in need of Youth to help run the games throughout the course. We are also in need of adults to help greet, serve breakfast, set-up the silent auction tables, and organize the raffle. Lunch will be provided for all our volunteers. For more information and to register head to firstumc.org/youth.

CHILDREN

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

Visit firstumc.org/children to learn more!

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

No Elementary KIC Start Fine Arts Sunday, Feb 1, 9:30-10:30am
We invite families to participate in the fine arts programs offered during our 9:30 service. As a result, there will be no programming available for children in kindergarten through fifth grade. We will continue to provide programming for children in PK4 and younger.

KIC Club 4/5 @ Urban Air, Feb 6, 6-8pm
Jump, fly, and climb for joy! This will be epic! We will be going to Urban Air with time to play and then a pizza party! The cost is \$20 per fourth or fifth grade. If cost is a factor please reach out to Megan mgallagher@firstumc.org for scholarship information. Please register by Feb 1, by visiting firstumc.org/children.

VBS Volunteer Informational Meeting, Feb 8, 11am, C-112
If you're interested in exploring volunteer opportunities for Vacation Bible School (VBS), we invite you to attend an informational meeting. During this session, we'll cover what VBS is all about and highlight the various ways you can participate. Mark your calendars for June 22-26, when VBS will take place!

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.

Beginner Slow-Flow Christ-Centered Yoga Spring Session, Mondays, 6-7pm, C-201D
Join us for a beginner-level, slow-flow yoga class with Be Still Movement, focusing on rest and worship through physical movement, meditation, and breath prayers. Come as you are and experience a time of stillness and community. Classes are led by Sarah Lloyd, a certified Holy Yoga instructor and Registered Yoga Alliance Teacher (RYT-200). Register at FirstUMC.org/Groups.

C.S. Lewis's The Great Divorce 5-Week Study, Wed, Jan 14-Feb 11, 6-7pm, C-207
Join Rick Jeffries for a profound exploration of C.S. Lewis's classic allegory. This study examines the thin line between Heaven and Hell, diving deep into themes of grace, judgment, and Lewis's famous observation that "the gates of Hell are locked from the inside." Available for purchase at the Our Giving Tree Bookstore. Register at FirstUMC.org/Groups.

Financial Peace University starts Wednesday evenings on Jan 14, 6-8pm, C-204
If you've felt like you can never get ahead with money, listen: You can change your future and the best way is with other people walking alongside you. Financial Peace University has helped nearly 10 million people win with money! And you can join one of these classes completely for free. Indicate your interest at FirstUMC.org/fpu and we'll be in touch about how you can get your year-long membership for FREE!

Tender Hearts Book Study Group, Wed, Jan 14-April 15, 3:30-5pm, Parlor
Have you lost a loved one recently? If so, please consider joining us for an 8-week study of Dr. Alan Wolfelt's "Understanding Your Grief". In this study, you will learn essential steps for finding Hope and Healing of your Heart. Register at FirstUMC.org/Groups.

Women's Bible Study: Exploring the Apocrypha begins Thurs, Jan 22, C-204
Ladies, deepen your understanding of scripture by joining our new study of the Apocrypha, led by Rev. Terry Heck beginning Thursday, January 18 at 10 am in Room C-204. Often described as the literary "bridge" connecting the Old and New Testaments, the Apocrypha is a fascinating collection of Jewish and Christian writings from 250 B.C. to A.D. 100. We will use the resource Immersion Bible Studies: Apocrypha by David A. Silva (Available at Our Giving Tree Bookstore). Register at FirstUMC.org/Groups.

College Comfort Crew: A New Fellowship Group for Moms
Join us for a monthly dinner group dedicated to moms of college-aged kids and young adults. Whether your child is away at school or starting their first job, come share your stories, find support, and navigate this new season of motherhood with friends who truly get it. Register at FirstUMC.org/Groups to receive the latest meeting times and dinner locations.

YOUTH

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

Sunday, Jan 25:
9:30am Youth Choir

No other Youth Programing because of being at Rock the Universe Weekend. We'll see you next week!

Tuesday, Jan 27:
5pm Youth Dance Ministry

Wednesday, Jan 28:
4:45pm Youth Handbells
6pm Confirmation
6pm Youth Parent Study
6pm Open Gym
6:30pm Middle School and High School Bible Studies.

Middle and High School Branches Mission Trip, Miami, FL July 19-25, 2026
We're partnering with FUMC Orlando Youth Ministry and heading to Miami to serve with Branches, a ministry helping hardworking families and kids break the cycle of poverty. You'll get hands-on experience making a real difference, grow as a team, and have tons of fun along the way! Cost: \$200* per person. For more info or to register visit 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
We will receive food at the Missions Depot next Sunday, Feb 1, immediately following the 11am worship services until 1:30pm. Servants at First United sort and box donations. The list of requested items is posted at firstumc.org/firstsundayfood. Thank you for your generosity and a reminder to please donate only requested items.

KidsPACK
Our next packing event will be Wednesday, Feb 4. 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.

With a new year upon us, please consider resolving to serve with our ministry partners such as:

Called to Serve Farmworkers
Working in conjunction with the Redlands Christian Migrant Association (RCMA) to help meet the needs of migrant farm families living and working in the Mulberry Area. To serve contact: Dani Higgins, advocating09@gmail.com.

Dream Center of Lakeland
Exists to bring hope to neighbors in need through service, resources, and education. In addition to neighborhood outreach and cleanup, offers Kids' Club to children around Lakeland as well as a food distribution. To serve contact: Nick Dell, ndell@dreamcenterlakeland.org Website: www.dreamcenterlakeland.org.

Peace River Center
Volunteers play a vital role in offering services to survivors of sexual violence and domestic violence. Background screening, drug testing and training required. To serve email CommunityRelations@PeaceRiverCenter.org Website: www.peacrivercenter.org.

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



Community Bible Reading, Tuesdays, 6-8pm
We meet at Jen's house to share a meal together, play some games, and discuss Scripture. We laugh a lot, share our burdens, serve the community together, and have a good time. Scan the QR code to join so that you can see the address & hear updates. (No meets on the last Tuesday of each month.)

Young Adults Serve:
Jan-March, we are collecting any size men's socks and underwear for Dream Center (only new ones, please). Sun, February 1st, meet at the Mission Depot (beside the preschool/Welcome Center entrance on Vistabula Street side of the church). We'll help sort food after the 11:00 services (about 12:15pm) until 1:30pm.

YA Escape Room, Sun, Feb 8, 12-2pm, Room C-206
Can you escape? Look for clues, solve puzzles, piece together information, and see if you can escape before it's too late! We'll meet upstairs in room C-206 and let the adventures begin! (Activities will not begin until the 11:00 service is over, so no need to leave service early.)

Picnic at the Park, Sat, Feb 21, 11am-1pm, Bonnet Springs
Bring a blanket, a water bottle, and a shareable snack or fruit and meet us under the board walk—we'll have some yard games & a sandwich tray, and we'll spend the morning enjoying this beautiful weather! Let us know you're coming by registering at firstumc.org/events. Families welcome!

Disc golf, Sat, Feb 28, 10am-12pm, Holloway Park
Meet at the first hole. No skill required—we'll break into groups who want the challenge and ones who just want to go easy and have fun trying. Please bring a water bottle—we'll provide discs if you don't have any!

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