

8:15AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE	Meditation on "Amazing Grace"/Murphree	Kim DuBreuil
CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP	Holy Ground/Softly and Tenderly	Matthew H. Corl
*HYMN 526	What a Friend We Have in Jesus	
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 889		Andy Whitaker Smith
*GLORIA PATRI	We Will Glorify	
ANTHEM	Gospel Medley	
PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER/PASSING OF THE PEACE		
OFFERTORY	Gospel Medley	
SERMON	Shine On (Matthew 5:13-16)	
INVITATION, CONFESSION, & PARDON		
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING		
COMMUNION		
*HYMN 2062	Lily of the Valley	
*BENEDICTION		
*RESPONSE	My Tribute	
POSTLUDE	Toccata on "How Firm a Foundation"/Murphree	Matthew H. Corl

9:30AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS	Andy Whitaker Smith
INVITATION, CONFESSION, & PARDON	
*SONGS OF PRAISE	God So Loved, Never Ending Grace, From The Day
PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER	Kim DuBreuil
OFFERTORY	New Wine
SERMON	Shine On (Matthew 5:13-16)
COMMUNION	
*SONG OF RESPONSE	Made Alive
*BENEDICTION	Charley Reeb

11:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS	
PRELUDE	Meditation on "Amazing Grace"/Murphree
CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP	Holy Ground/Softly and Tenderly
*HYMN 526	What a Friend We Have in Jesus
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 889	
*GLORIA PATRI	Glory Be to the Father
ANTHEM	Gospel Medley
PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER/PASSING OF THE PEACE	
OFFERTORY	Gospel Medley
SERMON	Shine On (Matthew 5:13-16)
INVITATION, CONFESSION, & PARDON	
THE GREAT THANKSGIVING	
COMMUNION	
*HYMN 2062	Lily of the Valley
*BENEDICTION	
*RESPONSE	My Tribute
POSTLUDE	Toccata on "How Firm a Foundation"/Murphree

Thanks to the Wednesday Night Gospel Gathering for leading our 8:15 and 11:00 services. The prelude and postlude on two great American hymns are by Claude Murphree, who was organist at UF from the 1920's through the 1950's. "The Lily of the Valley" was written by English Methodist Charles Fry, who helped to establish the tradition of the Salvation Army band. The music was adapted from "The Little Old Log Cabin in the Lane" composed by Kentucky native Will S. Hays.

*Please stand if you are able

11:00AM THE CURRENT

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS	Andy Whitaker Smith
*SONGS OF PRAISE	Come Thou Fount, Oh Our Lord, Make Room
CENTERING PRAYER	Andy Whitaker Smith
OFFERTORY	Forever Reign
*DOXOLOGY	
SERMON	Awakened To Grace: Sabbath
COMMUNION	Andy Whitaker Smith
*SONG OF RESPONSE	Andy Whitaker Smith
*BENEDICTION	Lean Back

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: Rejoice, people of God: this is our Sabbath day!

ALL: **Rejoice, friends in Christ: this is our time for worship.**

LEADER: God ordained the Sabbath for rest and restoration.

ALL: **God is worthy of worship, with joyful hearts, let us worship God.**

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 (Feb 1)

In Person: 859
Online: 1,528
Total: 2,387

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

2025 Year-End Giving Update

Thank you, First UMC! Because of your faithful giving and careful spending by our ministry areas, we ended 2025 in a strong financial position!

Income for the year was slightly under budget, but expenses also came in well under budget. Through it all, we prayerfully stewarded church resources to the glory of God through ministry with our communities.

As the 2026 stewardship campaign winds down, here is friendly reminder to complete your 2026 pledge online at firstumc.org/stewardship or by pledge card on Sundays.

Gratefully,

~ Rev. Patrick S. Hamrick

As of December 31, 2025

	Actual	Budget	Over (Under)
Operating Contributions	\$4,016,492	\$4,080,815	\$ (64,323)
Other Income*	88,241	164,385	(76,144)
Less: Net Expenses	3,964,987	4,245,200	(280,213)
Excess	\$ 139,746	\$ -	\$ 139,746

*Other income includes interest income and a transfer of prior year excess under Budget.

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
Beverly Starling

Deaths
Billy Gandy, 1/29
Sylvia Robinson, 1/30
Walter Hill, 1/31

Altar Flowers

In memory of Walker Matson by Riley P. Short

DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

Monday: Read Matthew 5:13. Consider what it means to be the "salt of the earth." Salt preserves and adds flavor. How does your faith influence your surroundings? In what ways do you feel you are acting as salt in your community? What hinders you from being more influential?

Tuesday: Read Matthew 5:13. Reflect on the importance of not losing your saltiness. What does it mean for a believer to lose their effectiveness? What practices help you maintain your spiritual vitality? Have you experienced times of spiritual dullness? What contributed to that?

Wednesday: Read Matthew 5:14. Think about being the "light of the world." Light dispels darkness and guides the way. How are you shining your light? Who in your life needs encouragement or guidance from your light? How can you be more intentional in sharing your light?

Thursday: Read Matthew 5:15. A lamp is meant to be placed on a stand, not hidden. How can you ensure your faith is visible to others? What are some practical ways to showcase your faith in daily life? Are there areas where you feel tempted to hide your faith? Why?

Friday: Read Matthew 5:16. Our good deeds should glorify God. Consider how your actions reflect your faith to others. What good deeds can you commit to this week that will reflect Christ's love? How can you encourage others to see the goodness of God through your life?

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 4.3% 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!



Jazz Room & Valentine's Dance, Feb 13, 7-9pm
This Valentine's Day weekend, step into a carefree New York style Jazz Room and dance the night away, without leaving town! This special event features live jazz performances by The Jeff Phillips Trio in a cozy & relaxed environment. Whether you're celebrating with someone special or enjoying a night out with friends, this is the perfect setting to relax, listen, and be inspired. Ticket price includes table, snacks and one drink from the craft cocktail & soda bar. Purchase tickets for \$15/person at firstumc.org/events.



UWF Meeting

You're invited to the United Women in Faith Unit Meeting on Mon, Feb 9, at 10:30am in the Fellowship Center. This month's program, "Practicing Hope Together," will offer a meaningful time of reflection, encouragement, and connection as we gather in faith and fellowship. We hope you'll join us for this uplifting morning together.



Renewed Hope Missions Information Session, Feb 18, 5:45-6:25pm, Parlor

Join us for a special opportunity to learn more about Renewed Hope Missions and the incredible work being done in the Dominican Republic. We are honored to welcome Sarah Rosenburg, Founder and Executive Director, along with Pastora Sairy Marte, who will be visiting with us for this evening. Come find out how you can support this important ministry and learn more about First UMC Lakeland's Mission Team.



Summer Camp 2026

We will be attending Week #4, July 6-11 2026. Please register on the Warren Willis Camp website (wwumccc.org/summer-camps). If your child/youth will need a ride to and from camp, please sign up on our church website for a space on one of our three mini busses we will bring to camp. If you have any questions or concerns, please do reach out to either Megan or Emily for help or more info. We look forward to experiencing camp with our students this summer!

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

KIC Family Fun: Sock Hop Style!, Feb 22, 2:30-4:40pm, Fellowship Center
Grab your dancing shoes and get ready to twist the afternoon away! Join us for our KIC Family Fun Event for all ages. We'll be turning back the clock with a 1950s-inspired sock hop. It's the perfect chance for families to connect, laugh, and make memories together—poodle skirts and slicked-back hair optional (but encouraged). We can't wait to dance, laugh, and celebrate with you! Please register by February 18th at firstumc.org/children.

Special KIC Friends Ash Wednesday Edition, Feb 18, 6-7:30pm
Elementary students are welcome to participate in a worship service designed just for them, where they can discover the meaning of Ash Wednesday and the significance of Lent. regular programming will be provided for children in VPK and younger. Programming will still run from 6-7:30pm with free time for the first 30 minutes. Registration is not required but encouraged to help us with planning. Head to firstumc.org/children.

VBS Volunteer Informational Meeting for New/Interested Volunteers, 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.

Wednesday Night Lenten Study: Why Did Jesus Have to Die?, Feb 25 - Apr 1, 6pm, C207
Join Pastor Andy and Pastor Kim for a churchwide study of Adam Hamilton's newest book, Why Did Jesus Have to Die. While the impact of the cross is central to our faith, the "why" and "how" can often feel a bit complex. This six-week series explores various metaphors for the crucifixion—like reconciliation and sacrifice—to help us better understand God's ultimate act of love. Register at FirstUMC.org/Groups.

JOY(55+) February Luncheon and Lenten Practices Presentation, Thu, Feb 19, 12pm
Prepare for the Lenten season with lunch and a special session with Warren Pattison, our Adult Ministries Director. Warren will share insights on Lenten Practices and Disciplines to guide your spiritual journey. The cost is \$15 for lunch. Deadline to register is Thursday, February 12. Register at FirstUMC.org/Events.

JOY (55+) March Outing: The Florida Holocaust Museum, Fri, Mar 6, 9am - 4pm
Join the JOY (55+) group for a moving and educational day at The Florida Holocaust Museum in St. Petersburg. We will explore powerful, immersive exhibits such as "History, Heritage, & Hope," featuring authentic artifacts like a Danish rescue boat and a Nazi boxcar. Cost is \$25 which includes museum admission and church bus transportation. Learn more and register at FirstUMC.org/Events.

YOUTH

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

Sunday, Feb 8:
9:30am Youth Choir
10:30am Donuts and Discussion

No Youth Praise Band or Youth Group due to The Big Game Tonight. We'll see you this Wednesday for Bible Study.

Tuesday, Feb 10:
5pm Youth Dance Ministry

Wednesday, Feb 11:
4:45pm Youth Handbells
6pm Confirmation
6pm Youth Parent Study
6pm Open Gym
6:30pm Middle School and High School Bible Studies.

Youth Serve Saturday, Feb 14, 9am-12pm

Join us for a meaningful morning of serving our community. We will be heading to the Warren's home to help prepare frozen dinners that will be distributed to families in need. This is a hands-on opportunity for students to show care, teamwork, and love through service. Please register by Feb 11 at firstumc.org/youth.

Youth & Parent Combined Prayer Station Night, Feb 15, 5pm-7pm

Join us for a meaningful Youth & Parent combined Prayer Station evening in the Fellowship Hall. We'll be starting off with a \$5 dinner in the Café. Please register at firstumc.org/youth.

Youth Parent Lenten Study, Sunday Evenings Starting Feb 22, 5:30-7pm

Join our Youth Coordinators, Trish Warren and Tim Birri as they lead our Youth Parents in a five week study of Bishop Berlin's book "The Third Day." Bishop Berlin is also planning to join the group on some evenings as well too. Please register by Feb 18 at firstumc.org/youth.

MISSIONS

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

Renewed Hope Missions

We will welcome Founder and Executive Director Sarah Rosenburg and Pastrora Sairy Marte from the Dominican Republic on Feb 18, a Wednesday Night, for an information session after Fellowship dinner. We will meet from 5:45-6:25pm in the church parlor, ending before the Ash Wednesday worship. Find out more about how to support this important ministry and First UMC's mission team that will serve there in August 2026.

OneBlood

The Big Red Bus is on campus today until 12:30pm for your blood donations. Give the gift of life!

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.

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: @1stLKLYoungAdults or FB: 1st LKLY 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.)

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.)

YA Valentines Events, Feb 13

Galentines: Girls meet at Jen's house to paint reusable shopping bags, 6-8pm. **Bromance:** Guys meet Alex Swygard at Family Fun Center for put-put golf, 5:30-7:30pm. Register at firstumc.org/college-young-adults to give us a headcount for supplies and food and to receive home address!

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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