

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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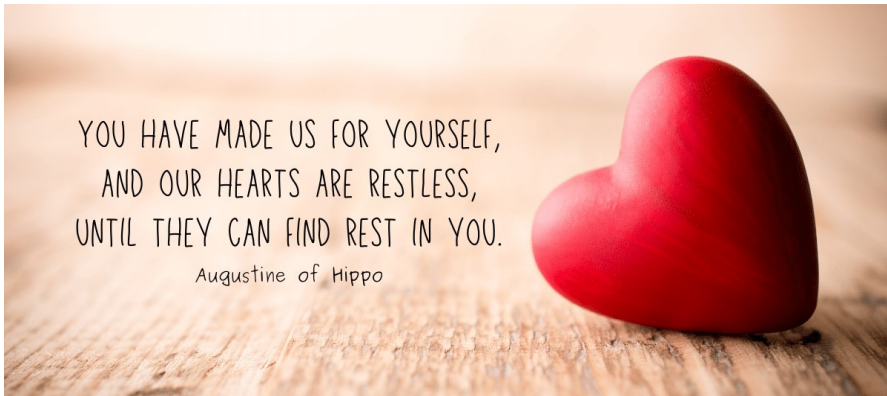
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"A Holy, Healthy, and Loving Community Striving to Know Christ and to Make Christ Known"



YOU HAVE MADE US FOR YOURSELF,
AND OUR HEARTS ARE RESTLESS,
UNTIL THEY CAN FIND REST IN YOU.
Augustine of Hippo

January 22, 2023

WORDS OF WELCOME -- Pastor Michael Atkinson

PRELUDE - - - - - "Listen to the Lambs" / D. Byron Amerson- - - Dr. Jessica Scott

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord is our light and our salvation!

People: **Why should we be afraid?**

Leader: The Lord is the stronghold of our life!

People: **What have we to fear?**

Leader: Let us shout with joy to God!

People: **Let us sing and make music before God.**

*OPENING PRAYER

O God, our light and our salvation, shelter us in your love. O God, our stronghold, protect us from danger. We come with shouts of joy to worship you this day. We come with song and music to celebrate your love. We come with longing to seek your presence.

Be with us now, O God, as we sing your praises. Amen.

*HYMN # 344 - - - - - "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore"

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS WITH THE PASTOR - - - - - Pastor Atkinson

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us,
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRAYER SHAWL BLESSING

May God's grace be upon these shawls... warming, comforting, enfolding and embracing. May this mantle be a safe haven, a sacred place of security and well-being...sustaining and embracing in good times as well as difficult ones.

May the one who receives this shawl be cradled in hope, kept in joy, graced with the love and peace of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON - - - - - Matthew 4:12-23

Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, he withdrew to Galilee. Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali—to fulfill what was said through the prophet Isaiah: “Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people living in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned.” From that time on Jesus began to preach, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” At once they left their nets and followed him.

Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.

SERMON - - - - - "Restless Hearts" - - - - - Pastor Atkinson
(You are encouraged to use this space for notes.)

*HYMN #2129 (The Faith We Sing) - - - - - "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE - - "And We Shall Overcome" / D. Byron Ameson - - - - - Dr. Scott

FIFTH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP HALL WORSHIP

January 29

**Brunch at 10:30 a.m. -- Bring a Covered-dish to share
Worship at 10:45 a.m.**

Join us in the Dining Room (level B) for morning worship next week!

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UPCOMING EVENTS AT FIRST CHURCH

Tuesday, January 24th -- Monastic Meal at 12:15 p.m.

Family Choir Rehearsal Schedule

February 12th - 9:45 a.m. rehearsal in the parlor
February 19th - 9:45 a.m. rehearsal in the parlor; 10:45 a.m. sing in worship

Bell Choir Rehearsal Schedule

January 29th - 9:30 a.m. rehearsal in bell room
February 5th - 9:30 a.m. rehearsal in bell room 10:45 a.m. play in worship
February 26th - 9:30 a.m. rehearsal in bell room
March 5th - 9:30 a.m. rehearsal in bell room 10:45 a.m. play in worship

All are welcome to join! Contact Brett Miller for more details.



Twelve-Step Meetings (7 sessions each week) -- Monday through Thursday -- Library
Winter Shelter -- nightly from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m.



Prayer Shawl
Ministry

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Prayer shawls are made/requested for many reason and occasions:
for grief, difficult times, illness, recovery, celebration
(graduation, baby, wedding, etc), honoring someone...or just a special friendship.
Sometimes they are for specific reasons or persons,
or simply to have on hand in times of need.

Anyone can request a shawl. Simply contact Nancy Ferber, Cheryl Moorhead or one of our pastors.

Contact Tammy Matheny at 304-476-2015
if you would like information about our Prayer Chain.

