

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



May 8, 2022
Fourth Sunday of Eastertide

WELCOME ----- Pastor Michael Atkinson

PRELUDE --- "Andante Moderato" by A. Vivaldi/ arr. Wolff--- Dr. Jessica Scott

PROCESSION OF LIGHT----- Audra Skidmore

*CALL TO WORSHIP-----Rev. Harry Jenkins

Leader: Come! Let us worship and praise God.

People: The Lord is our shepherd, our guardian and our guide.

Leader: Celebrate the many ways in which God cares for our lives.

People: Green pastures and silent still waters beckon us and comfort us.

Leader: Even though difficulties happen in our lives, still God is with us.

People: Even when it seems that the world has nothing to offer but
suffering and pain, God surrounds us with God's love and bounty.

Leader: Surely God's mercy accompanies us on our journey.

People: And we will dwell in God's house forever. AMEN.

*OPENING PRAYER

With joy we come this day to the house of the Lord. God provides for us abundantly even when we doubt and fear, even when we turn away. God is faithful. Open our hearts today, O Lord, to hear your word for us that we may become faithful disciples of our Lord all our days. AMEN.

*HYMN #88 -----"Maker in Whom We Live"

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.

MUSICAL OFFERTORY- - - - "Standing on the Promises" - - - Men's Ensemble

MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS WITH THE PASTOR

SCRIPTURE LESSON: Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters.
He restoreth my soul:
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

SERMON - - - - - "Nurtured in Love" - - - - - Pastor Atkinson

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PRAYER OF INVITATION

*HYMN #304 -----“Easter People, Raise Your Voices”

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE -----“Trumpet Tune” by Corelli / arr. Wolff -----Dr. Scott

“GRAB-A-BAG” MEAL PROGRAM

As part of our ongoing response to “If you love me, feed my sheep”,
First Church will be participating in this program
as led by the Clarksburg Homeless Collaborative.

Please sign up for a day to prepare and distribute bag lunches
For 25 hungry people.

For a date and for details, contact Anita Burns at
(home) 304-782-3021
(cell) 304-203-1279

(See insert for more information)



If you know of someone who is in the hospital, nursing home, or has a need, please let Pastor Atkinson or Rev. Jenkins know.

Please feel free to call or send a text to....
Pastor Michael Atkinson at 304-771-3309
or
Reverend Harry Jenkins at 304-280-0592



GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY



On May 22, during morning worship, we will set aside time to recognize and congratulate our graduates.

Let us know soon if you have a high school or college student who graduates this year. (304-623-3397) Thanks!



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