

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



MORNING WORSHIP

November 13, 2022

10:45 a.m.

WORDS OF WELCOME ----- Pastor Michael Atkinson

ORGAN PRELUDE ----- Dr. Jessica Scott

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

Leader: Come people of God; come and celebrate God's gift of salvation.

People: We come without fear. We come trusting in God.

Leader: Come people of God; hear God's promises
and witness God's mighty deeds.

People: In hearing the promises, in witnessing the mighty deeds of God,
we are strengthened for all that lies ahead.

All: Come, let us worship and praise God by shouting aloud
and singing for joy, for God truly is in our midst.

*HYMN #694 ----- "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

OPENING PRAYER

Our loving and caring God, we need this time together to be united with our sisters and brothers in the faith; we need this time of worship to be comforted and strengthened in your presence. We hear of wars and rumors of wars. We read of persecution and oppression. Remind us again of your vision, that all might live in a world of peace and justice and love.

May this time together imprint this vision and promise on our hearts, that we may live into this beloved community. In Jesus name, Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS WITH THE PASTOR

MUSICAL OFFERTORY - *Adagio* from Clarinet Concerto, K.626 / WA Mozart
Geneva Brown, clarinet; Dr. Jessica Scott, piano

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.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON -----Isaiah 65:17-25

For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD, and their descendants with them. Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the LORD.

SERMON-----"Livin' the Dream"----- Pastor Atkinson
(you are encouraged to use this space for notes)

*HYMNAL #886 ----- "The World Methodist Social Affirmation"

*HYMN #436- - - "The Voice of God Is Calling" / tune "O Jesus, I Have Promised"

BENEDICTION

ORGAN POSTLUDE ----- Dr. Scott





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Parish-Wide Thanksgiving Service

Next Sunday at 7:00 p.m.

First UMC is hosting our parish Thanksgiving Service.
Join us as we celebrate the countless blessings of
God through praise and worship!



HOLIDAY “FOOD BASKET” GIVING TREE

The Giving Tree is in place in our sanctuary.
We are collecting food for at least 9 baskets to be handed out
prior to Thanksgiving (and again at Christmas).

Please take leaves from the tree and return the items by November 20

Questions? Contact Nancy Ferber at 304-476-0566.

Did you know...

First Church has a prayer chain and we'd love to pray for you.
If you find yourself or a loved one in need of urgent prayer,
you can contact Tammy Matheny.



She will then alert our prayer chain of about six people who will pray for your needs.
You can share as little or as much information as you prefer.
All requests are kept confidential.
And if you'd like to become a praying partner in our chain,
you can also contact Tammy. 304-476-2015