

8:15 TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS David McEntire
PRELUDE Whimsy on St. Brendan's/Schelat Matthew H. Corl, AAGO
***CALL TO WORSHIP** Andy Whitaker Smith
***HYMN 2223** They Will Know We Are Christians by Our Love
***PSALTER 830** Psalm 107: 1-9, 33-43 Andy Whitaker Smith
***GLORIA PATRI** We Will Glorify the Father
PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER Andy Whitaker Smith
OFFERTORY Nick Folkes
***DOXOLOGY 95** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
SERMON Rooted: Kindness David McEntire
 Galatians 5:22-23; Zechariah 7:8-10; Ephesians 4:31-32
***HYMN 2171** Make Me a Channel of Your Peace
***BENEDICTION** David McEntire
POSTLUDE Toccata Breve/Harmon Matthew H. Corl, AAGO

9:30 CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

***OPENING SONG** At This Table Youth Choir
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS David McEntire
***CALL TO WORSHIP** Jeremy Hearn
***SONGS OF PRAISE** They Will Know We Are Christians by Our Love;
 Oh, How I Need You; Ever Be
PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER Andy Whitaker Smith
OFFERTORY Kindness
SERMON Rooted: Kindness David McEntire
 Galatians 5:22-23; Zechariah 7:8-10; Ephesians 4:31-32
***SONG OF RESPONSE** Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly
***BENEDICTION** David McEntire

11:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS David McEntire
PRELUDE Dance Prelude on Unser Herrscher/Harmon Matthew H. Corl, AAGO
***CALL TO WORSHIP** Andy Whitaker Smith
***HYMN 674** See the Morning Sun Ascending
***PSALTER 830** Psalm 107: 1-9, 33-43 Andy Whitaker Smith
***GLORIA PATRI 70** Glory Be to the Father
ANTHEM Everyone Join to Sing/Lamb Youth Handbells
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Colton Spears Kopilash,
 Son of Michael & Lauren Kopilash
RESPONSE, 43
PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER Andy Whitaker Smith
OFFERTORY At This Table/arr. Huff Youth Choir; Elaine Clemens, piano
***DOXOLOGY 94** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
SERMON Rooted: Kindness David McEntire
 Galatians 5:22-23; Zechariah 7:8-10; Ephesians 4:31-32
***HYMN 121** There's a Wideness in God's Mercy
***BENEDICTION** David McEntire
POSTLUDE Toccata Breve/Harmon Matthew H. Corl, AAGO

***Please stand if you are able**

Rev. David McEntire, Senior Pastor
 Rev. Andy Whitaker Smith, Associate Pastor; Rev. Nicki Taylor, Associate Pastor
 Rev. Sharon Austin, District Superintendent
 Bishop Ken Carter, Florida Area Bishop

11:00AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS Nicki Taylor
GATHERING At This Table Youth Choir
***CALL TO WORSHIP** Nicki Taylor
***SONGS OF PRAISE** They Will Know We Are Christians by Our Love;
 Oh, How I Need You; Ever Be
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Emery June Hearn, daughter of Ashley & Jeremy Hearn
RESPONSE
CENTERING PRAYER Nicki Taylor
OFFERTORY Kindness
DOXOLOGY
SERMON Rooted: Kindness Nicki Taylor
 Galatians 5:22-23; Zechariah 7:8-10; Ephesians 4:31-32
COMMUNION
***RESPONSE** Act Justly, Love Mercy, Walk Humbly
***BENEDICTION** Nicki Taylor

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: The Fruit of the Spirit is Kindness.
ALL: Being kind is a reflection of the kindness which God has shown to us.
LEADER: Thank you Lord for every good gift.
ALL: May our lives bring forth the Fruit of the Spirit.

ABOUT OUR SERVICES

8:15am Sanctuary Service: Traditional worship presented in a new way with a fresh approach to time-honored hymns and a variety of styles of music.

9:30am Fellowship Center: A more contemporary, relaxed atmosphere with worship music of today.

11am Sanctuary Service: Traditional hymns with organ accompaniment, as well as musical pieces from our various fine arts groups.

11am Fellowship Center: A unique worship experience with contemporary worship music and settings. Communion offered each Sunday.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Prayer Requests

Birth

Harper Lyn Yarbrough, Oct 8
 Daughter of Nicole and Ryan Yarbrough

Hospital: (as of Oct 11)

Michelle Price and Jan Stiles

Deaths:

Charles Courtoy, Oct 3; Jane Blankenship, Oct 11

Altar Flowers

To donate an arrangement in Memory or in Honor of a loved one, contact Lea Ellen: ldewitt@firstumc.org, 863-686-3163

The flowers today are donated:

In memory of Bishop Roy & Louise Short by Riley P. Short
 In memory of William J. 'Bill' Hand, Jr., always, by Sherry Hand
 In honor of our 50th wedding anniversary, on October 16 by Mark & Cindy Van Cleave

We are glad you joined us today! Whether you are a member or a guest, please take a moment to register your attendance on the registration pad before passing it on to your neighbor or online at firstumc.org/connect. Thank you for helping ensure our records are accurate.

The purpose of First United Methodist is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. We strive to accomplish this by being a worship plus three church.

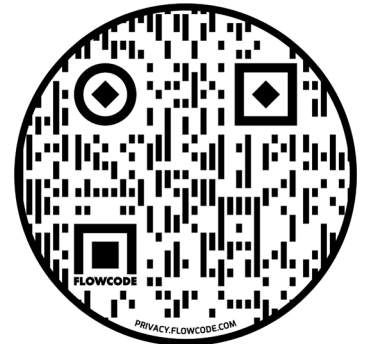


Worship plus three is how we define our ministries. We believe worship is of prime importance and is our foundation. In addition, we are to invite others into a relationship with God, grow in our own relationship with God and our neighbor and serve others as a continued sign of God's work in our lives.

To learn more about the ministries of the church and how to get connected, contact Diana Russell (info@firstumc.org - 863-686-3163 x223)

Visit firstumc.org/connect or scan the QR code for:

- Attendance Registration
- Worship Bulletin
- Request Prayer
- Give Online



Presence in Worship, Oct 3

In Person: 404
 Online: 662
 Total: 1066
 Podcast: 52



Purchase your Pumpkins: Visit our pumpkin patch and purchase your pumpkins. The pumpkin sale helps our youth group attend retreats, camp and mission trips. Open: Sat & Sun: 10am-7pm; Mon - Fri: 3-7pm



Trunk or Treat is coming: Sat, Oct 30, 5-7pm. Community Wide Event. Please sign up to host a car and participate in this community wide event. firstumc.org/TOT. We also need individually wrapped candy that can be placed in the bins marked Trunk or Treat.



Memory Cafe: A social gathering for people living with memory loss and their care partner. Monday mornings from 10am to 11:30am next to the Giving Tree Bookstore. Facilitated by Vicky Pitner, a Certified Dementia Practitioner and Coordinator of the Memory Ministry, and with several wonderful and dedicated trained volunteers, the Café is a safe and comfortable space where care partners and their family member can socialize with other families. Coffee and tea is served and light refreshments can be purchased from the bookstore. No registration is required or charge to participate.

FINE ARTS

Finding Hope: "Requiem" by John Rutter: Sun, Nov 7 at 4pm

The past eighteen months have been a time of loss for many, and stress for all. Through music and scripture this program seeks to give a message of hope and healing. The Chancel Choir and talented instrumentalists will present John Rutter's "Requiem", a work of peace and rest for a troubled world.

CHILDREN

For information regarding Children's Ministry events, contact **Cristi Moore, Director of Children's Ministries: cmoore@firstumc.org, (863) 686-3163x226**

Family Picnic in the Park (weather permitting) Sunday, Oct 24, 5-7pm

Who doesn't love a picnic? Pack a picnic (or grab some dinner at a drive through) and meet us at Fletcher Park at Lake Bonny (800 US-98, Lakeland, FL 33801) for some fun and fellowship. Invite your friends! Everyone is welcome! We'll bring the cookies!

*Sunday Mornings:

9:30am Sunday School: Classes are offered for Infants 6 weeks - Grade 5.

11am Sunday School: Classes are offered for Infants 6 weeks - VPK.

*Wednesday Evening:

4-5:30pm Kids PRAISE:

Children Kindergarten - 5th grade will learn to worship and serve God through song and drama. For more information or to register visit: firstumc.org/music/

6:30-7:30pm Small Group K - 5th:

Children Kindergarten - 5th grade will grow in their faith together in new and creative ways. Childcare will be offered for parents participating in classes on-site for preschool and younger. For more information or to register visit [/bit.ly/38L1VSL](https://bit.ly/38L1VSL)

*** Masks are required for adults and children Kindergarten and older and are recommended for children age 2 - PK4.**

YOUTH

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

Sign up to help and earn money towards camp, missions, etc:

We have sign-ups still available for our Fall Festivities with youth ministry! Please sign up to help with these events below! You can get service hours for working the patch and Trunk or Treat and then earn money towards camp, missions and retreats for working the patch.

- **Pumpkin Time Slots** - Sat & Sun 10am - 7pm; Mon - Fri 3pm - 7pm firstumc.org/events/pumpkin-patch-2021
- **Trunk or Treat - Sat, Oct 30, 5-7pm:** firstumc.org/TOT
- **Sign-Ups for Serve Retreat at Warren Willis: Nov 5-7** for all middle and high school students. Head to our youth page on the website to sign up!

Sun mornings:

9:30 - 10:30am Donuts and Discussion, F1
9:45 - 10:30am Youth Choir Practice, E2
3:45 - 5pm Youth Praise Band Practice, F1
5 - 7pm Youth Group (\$5 Dinner), F1

Wed afternoons:

5 - 5:30pm Youth Handbells Practice, E21
6 - 7:30pm Confirmation Classes (Fall), F1
6:30 - 7:30pm Bible Study (For both MS & HS), Fbldg.

ADULTS

For more information or Zoom/Online credentials, contact **Warren, Director of Adult Ministries: wpattison@firstumc.org, (863)686-3163x227.**

Sunday School for Adults - 9:30am: Our Sunday School classes meet in person with the option to join online. Visitors are welcome to participate in any of these classes. For more information on connecting with a particular class, firstumc.org/adult-sunday-school.

Youth Parents Social Night - TODAY, Oct 17, 5:15-6:45pm

On the third Sunday of the month, we have an informal time of connection and socializing for parents of teens. This month we're heading to The Joinery, 640 East Main St! There are tons of food options to choose from, and we'll gather in the front yard to enjoy the views of the Lakeland Skyline and Lake Mirror. Help us by registering: firstumc.org/parent-social.

Wed evening TheoEd with Austin Channing Brown; 6:30-7:30pm Enjoy in person room C-201D or online

Join us in room C-201A (the Wesley Center) to engage in listening and conversation on important faith topics. TheoEd is a faith-based speaker series that brings together leading thinkers in the church and the academy to give the talk of their lives in 20 minutes or less. These talks are neither sermons nor lectures. They are TED-style presentations that seek to spark conversations about God, religion, and the power of faith to change lives and communities. Whether you regularly attend church or are someone who is just curious about faith, TheoEd offers a fresh, compelling, and accessible way to go deeper in your own spiritual journey.

This week's speaker is Austin Channing Brown, New York Times bestselling author and a leading Christian voice in the pursuit of racial justice. Her book *I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness* is a compelling and engaging look at what it means to be a black woman in largely white Christian culture. Her talk is entitled "The Double Sided Pursuit of Racial Justice." You can join us in person or online via Zoom. Register at firstumc.org/TheoEd.

MISSIONS

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

Mobile Food Pantries

- Lakeland Volunteers in Medicine (LVIM) - Second and last Tue, from 10:30am-2:30pm. 600 W Peachtree St, Lakeland, 33815
- Redlands Christian Migrant Association (RCMA) - Second and fourth Wed from 4-6:30 pm at 4441 Academy Drive, Mulberry, 33860
(To sign up contact Missions Director Forrest White)

Meet Our Costa Rica Missionary: Sun, Nov. 14, Wil Bailey will be with us for a brief introduction at each worship service and for an informal gathering from 9:40-10:30AM in the sanctuary. Wil is the founder and Executive Director of Costa Rica Mission Projects which builds churches, church-related facilities and, most importantly, kingdom relationships in Costa Rica. We support the ministry through our Outreach Funding and we hope to send a short-term mission team to serve there next summer. Please join us to find out more about Wil's ministry and how we can help with kingdom building in Costa Rica.

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