

8:15 TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS David McEntire
PRELUDE With Thanksgiving and Praise Matthew H. Corl, AAGO
***CALL TO WORSHIP** David McEntire
***HYMN** Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee
***PSALTER 853** Psalm 138 David McEntire
***GLORIA PATRI** We Will Glorify the Father
PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER David McEntire
OFFERTORY My Lord, What a Morning/arr. Althouse Sheila Johnson
***DOXOLOGY 95** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
SERMON Rooted: Love Andy Whitaker Smith
 Galatians 5:22-23; Psalm 31:23; I Corinthians 13:4-13
PRESENTATION OF COMMITMENT CARDS
***HYMN 2223** They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love
***BENEDICTION** Andy Whitaker Smith
POSTLUDE Come, Ye Thankful People, Come/Corl Matthew H. Corl, AAGO

9:30 CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

OPENING SONG There is So Much Work for Love to Do/Gray
 Kids Praise/Youth Choir; Elaine Clemens, piano; Warren Mayes, drums;
 Matthew Corl, claves; Sheila Johnson, solo
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS David McEntire
***CALL TO WORSHIP** Jeremy Hearn
***SONGS OF PRAISE** O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing;
 God So Loved; Reckless Love
PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER David McEntire
OFFERTORY My Worth is Not in What I Own
SERMON Rooted: Love Andy Whitaker Smith
 Galatians 5:22-23; Psalm 31:23; I Corinthians 13:4-13
PRESENTATION OF COMMITMENT CARDS
***SONG OF RESPONSE** We Fall Down; 10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)
***BENEDICTION** Andy Whitaker Smith

11:00AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS David McEntire
PRELUDE Paraphrase on Two Hymn Tunes/Ashdown Matthew H. Corl, AAGO
***CALL TO WORSHIP** David McEntire
***HYMN 75** All People That on Earth do Dwell
***PSALTER 853** Psalm 138 David McEntire
***GLORIA PATRI 70**
ANTHEM Brethren, We Have Met to Worship/arr. Lamb Youth Handbells
PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER David McEntire
OFFERTORY There is So Much Work for Love to Do/Gray
 Kids Praise/Youth Choir; Elaine Clemens, piano; Warren Mayes, drums;
 Matthew Corl, claves; Sheila Johnson, solo
***DOXOLOGY 94** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
SERMON Rooted: Love Andy Whitaker Smith
 Galatians 5:22-23; Psalm 31:23; I Corinthians 13:4-13
PRESENTATION OF COMMITMENT CARDS
***HYMN 154** All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
***BENEDICTION** Andy Whitaker Smith
POSTLUDE Come, Ye Thankful People, Come/Corl Matthew H. Corl, AAGO

11:00AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS Nicki Taylor
OPENING MUSIC There is So Much Work for Love to Do/Gray
 Kids Praise/Youth Choir; Elaine Clemens, piano; Warren Mayes, drums;
 Joan FitzGerald, claves; Sheila Johnson, solo
***CALL TO WORSHIP** Jeremy Hearn
***SONGS OF PRAISE** O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing;
 God So Loved; Be Thou My Vision
CENTERING PRAYER Nicki Taylor
OFFERTORY Reckless Love
DOXOLOGY
SERMON Rooted: Love Nicki Taylor
 Galatians 5:22-23; Psalm 31:23; I Corinthians 13:4-13
PRESENTATION OF COMMITMENT CARDS
COMMUNION
***RESPONSE** My Worth is Not in What I Own
***BENEDICTION** Nicki Taylor

***Please stand if you are able**

CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: The Fruit of the Spirit is Love.
ALL: Love is the greatest of all gifts, the gift which transforms our lives.
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

Hospitalized (as of Nov 15)
 Helen Cannon and Flay Linderman

Deaths

Ruth Adcock, August 10
 Al Smith, September 21
 Jan Lyons, November 10
 Merritt Allen, November 12

Baptism

Evelyn Rose Burnett, November 14
 Daughter of Jonathan & Nicole Burnett

Altar Flowers

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

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
W+3
 Worship Plus Three
 Invite · Grow · Serve
 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.

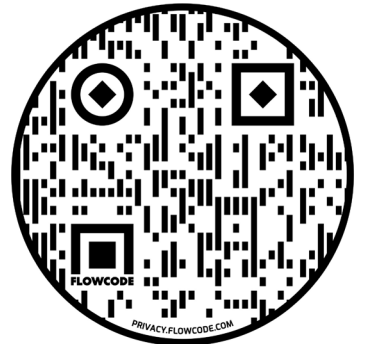
To learn more about the ministries of the church and how to get connected, contact Diana Russell (info@firstumc.org - 863-686-3163 x223)

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

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

Presence in Worship Nov 7:

In Person: 528
 Online: 610
 Total: 1138
 Podcast: 46



Thanksgiving Eve Worship: Join us Wed, Nov 24, at 6:30pm for a casual service in the Sanctuary. We will share our blessings as a church family. Please note: there will not be PHOENIX dinner that evening and children, youth and adult classes will not meet so families may participate in worship together. Hot apple cider and donuts will be offered after the service.



High School Alaska Mission trip deposit of \$600 is due on Dec 1. This trip is for our current students in grades 8 - 12, to attend June 11 - 17, 2022. Each student will receive 35 service hours for this trip. More information can be found at: firstumc.org/youth.



Ring the bell for Salvation Army!

The Red Kettle is a century-old Christmas symbol, to help shoppers remember the needy during the holiday season. Our church will be ringing the bell at the Grove Park Publix, 1617 US Highway 98 S. We begin ringing Mon, Nov 29 at 10am and ring in two hour shifts until 8pm each evening until Christmas Eve (NO Sundays). You may schedule a time by calling Lea Ellen: (863) 686-3163 or ldewitt@firstumc.org or go to: www.rotundasoftware.com/volunteer/FirstUMC?enroll=1

CHILDREN

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

Breakfast with Santa - Sat, Dec 4, 9-11 am

Families are invited to join us for breakfast and a morning filled with holiday fun featuring a photo op with Santa himself. For more details visit: firstumc.org/santa

*Sundays

- 9:30am Sunday School: Classes are offered for Infants 6 weeks - Grade 5.
- 11am Sunday School: Classes are offered for Infants 6 weeks - VPK.

*Wednesdays

- 4 - 5:30pm Kids PRAISE: Children Kindergarten - grade 5 will learn to worship and serve God through song and drama. For more information/register visit firstumc.org/music/
- 6:30 - 7:30pm Small Group, K - grade 5: Children will grow in their faith together in new and creative ways. Childcare is offered for parents participating in classes on-site preschool and younger. For information/register visit: firstumc.org/children

* 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**

Sundays

9:30 - 10:30am Donuts and Discussion, F1
9:35 - 10:30am Youth Choir, E2
3:45 - 5pm Youth Praise Band, F1
5 - 7pm Youth Group, F1

Wednesdays

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.

Let's see your UGLIEST Christmas Sweater Middle Schoolers! We are having a Christmas Party for our students in grade 6-8 in the Youth Building Sun, Dec 19, 5-7pm. We will have Tijuana Flats for dinner, decorate Christmas cookies, enjoy a hot chocolate bar and a \$5-\$10 gag gift exchange within small groups. This is the perfect opportunity to invite your friends! Everyone needs to RSVP by Dec 15 at: firstumc.org/youth.

High School: Dress in your Christmas BEST. We are going on a Christmas Progressive Dinner Party. On Sun, Dec 19 our students grade 9 - 12 are going to leave at 5pm to head to our first home (Joyner's) for appetizers, then to (Whitaker-Smith) home for dinner and end up at our last stop for dessert and gift exchange (Warren's) home. Youth need to bring a \$5-\$10 White Elephant Gift to exchange and make sure your medical form is on file since we are taking the buses. This is the perfect opportunity to invite your friends. Everyone needs to RSVP by Dec 15 at: firstumc.org/youth.

Join us for a weekend of Worship at "Rock the Universe" at Universal Studios in Orlando. Fri, Jan 28 - Sun, Jan 30. We will hear two nights of incredible worship from contemporary music artists like: King and Country, Matthew West, Crowder, Casting Crowns & Big Daddy Weave. We will go to Islands of Adventure on Sat and stay at a Universal hotel both nights. For tickets and hotel the weekend cost is \$200. \$100/deposit is due on Dec 1 to reserve your spot. Everyone needs to RSVP at: firstumc.org/youth.

Parents Night Out - Fri, Dec 10, 5:30-8:30pm

Need to get your shopping or wrapping done? Here is your opportunity. Open to children 6 months - grade 5. Cost is \$5/child, which includes dinner and some special gifts made for loved ones during the event. Registration is required, space is limited. For more info visit: firstumc.org/children/

ADULTS

For more information or Zoom/Online credentials, contact **Warren Pattison, 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. For more information on connecting with a particular class: firstumc.org/adult-sunday-school.

Advent begins next Sun, Nov 28! We have assembled a list of resources to help you observe a meaningful and holy Advent at firstumc.org/advent. You will find devotionals, online retreats and courses, class listings, and resources for family faith formation. We pray that these resources will be a blessing to you as continue to grow in your love of God and others in this sacred season.

No PHOENIX Wed Evening Dinner this week: Please note that we will not have a meal on Thanksgiving Eve, Nov 24 and will resume dinners and midweek programs on Dec 1. Tickets are \$8 for adults (13 and up), \$4 for a children 12 and under. There is not an option for a family ticket at this time. You can make your reservation at firstumc.org/phoenix or by calling the church office at 863-686-3163. Please make your reservation by noon on the Tue before the meal.

TheoEd returns on Dec 1 with Ted Smith and "Reckless Love: Living for Things that Die", 6:30-7:30pm: Enjoy in room C-201D or online via Zoom. Register at firstumc.org/TheoEd. There is no group on Nov 24 due to the Thanksgiving Eve service. We will resume on Wed Dec 1. Whether you regularly attend church or are just curious about faith, TheoEd offers a fresh, compelling, and accessible way to go deeper in your own spiritual journey.

MISSIONS

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

kidsPACK is Back: We packed more than 1,000 meals for hungry children served by our partner ministry in November! We will pack 1,000+ on Dec. 1. With a large group of volunteers we can do the packing in an hour. Please come and help! Setup begins at 9am. At 4pm we pack and wrap the weekend food cells. To help or if you have questions, please contact Skip Stevenson (safetyskip@gmail.com).

Peace River Holiday Gift Bags: Once again this year, we're collecting items for Peace River Center to fill holiday gift bags for those they serve. Please limit your donations to these requested items: Greeting cards/note cards, Regular size-shampoo, Regular size toothpaste, Bars of soap, Individually packaged snacks (crackers, cookies, etc.), Shower loofahs, Combs. Drop your donations in the blue bins by Dec. 6.

Christmas Gifts for Migrant Children: We have the chance to "adopt" migrant children again this holiday season by providing Christmas gifts! We will soon have a list of 25 children in need and their wishes provided by our ministry partner, Called to Serve Farmworkers. If you would like to provide gifts for a migrant child or children, please email Forrest White, Director of Missions (fwhite@firstumc.org). He will send you details when available and instructions on when to drop the gifts at First United Methodist.

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

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