

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Celebration of Worship – *Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany*– 02.04.18

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PRELUDE..... *Reverie*.....E. Ray Peebles  
[in the morning of Gabriel Fauré]  
Craig Penfield

WORDS OF WELCOME & GREETING.....Dr. Rhoads

INTROIT.....*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*.....Ensemble (8:30)  
arr. Paul Sjolund Chancel Choir (11:00)

CALL TO WORSHIP & INVOCATION.....Dr. Rhoads

† HYMN OF PRAISE .....“Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus”..... No. 514

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....No. 885.....Dr. Rhoads

BAPTISM (11:00)..... Isabella Grace Zappa.....No. 39, Dr. Day  
presented by her parents Mr. & Mrs. Russell Todd Zappa

MUSICAL OFFERING.....“*I heard the voice of Jesus say*”.....Kay Hutchinson, alto  
arr. Charles Harriss

† SCRIPTURE READING.....Mark 11:20-25.....Rev. Wilkinson  
New Testament, Page 58 in your Pew Bible

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† GLORIA PATRI  
*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. AMEN.*

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\*\*CHILDREN’S BLESSING.....Billie Beck

JOYS & CONCERNS ..... Dr. Day

MORNING PRAYER ..... Bishop William Hutchinson

THE LORD'S PRAYER ..... Congregation (speaks in unison)

*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.*

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† HYMN OF PREPARATION.....“O Jesus, I Have Promised”.....No. 396

† OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Rev. Wilkinson

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*Thou Art God!*.....Ensemble (8:30)  
John Ness Beck Chancel Choir (11:00)

† DOXOLOGY .....No. 94

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below:*

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

SCRIPTURE READING.....1 Samuel 17:28-47.....Dr. Day  
Old Testament, Page 324 in your Pew Bible

MESSAGE.....**THE CONFIDENCE OF A CHAMPION**.....Dr. Day

I. First, you gain confidence when you put your trust in the right **Person**.

II. Second, you gain confidence when you **pray** and **pay** the **price** of preparation.

III. Third, you gain confidence when you **put** a few win's under your belt.

IV. Fourth, you gain confidence when you **protect** yourself from negative influences and influencers.

V. Finally, you gain confidence when you **profess** and **practice** the creed of confident living.

† \*HYMN OF INVITATION.....“Lead On, O King Eternal”.....No. 580  
*(During the singing of this hymn, those who wish to join the First Methodist family are invited to come to the front of the church for reception and recognition.)*

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS.....Dr. Rhoads

*We rejoice to recognize you as members of Christ's holy church, and bid you welcome to the congregation of First United Methodist Church. With you, we renew our vows to uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness.*

BENEDICTION .....Bishop William Hutchinson

SENDING FORTH.....*Alleluia*.....Ensemble (8:30)  
Larry Gatlin Chancel Choir (11:00)

POSTLUDE.....*Fugue in G Minor*.....E. Ray Peebles  
Nicolaus Bruhns



**Acolytes:** Grayson Hargon (8:30), William Harrel, Bennett Lewis (11:00)

**Crucifer:** Emily Anderson (8:30), Sydney Harrel (11:00)

† *Those who are able may stand.* ‡ *Latecomers may be seated at these times.*

♦ **COMMUNION WILL BE SERVED AT 9:30AM IN THE SANCTUARY AND NOON IN COUCH CHAPEL.**

\* **IF YOU WISH TO JOIN** the First United Methodist Church family, please come forward at this time.

\*\**Children leaving the service for Children's Chapel may be picked up after the service:*

• *3-4 years (8:30 & 11:00): Children's Ministry Center*

• *K5-3RD graders (11:00): Dawson Building, Room 208, behind the Sanctuary*

Childcare for infants through 4 years is available from 8:15 to 12:15 in the Children's Ministry Center. From the sanctuary, follow the sign located in the hallway between the sanctuary and the Dawson Building. Outdoor access is located on the corner of Douglas and Milam Streets.