

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Celebration of Worship – Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost – 08.21.16

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PRELUDE.....*Ronde Française*.....E. Ray Peebles, organ  
Leon Boëlmann

WORDS OF WELCOME & GREETING.....Dr. Goad

INTROIT.....*Let All the World in Every Corner Sing*.....Chancel Choir  
Fred Bock

CALL TO WORSHIP & INVOCATION.....Dr. Goad

† HYMN OF PRAISE.....“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”.....No. 66

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....No. 885.....Dr. Goad

CELEBRATION OF LIFE(11:00).....3rd Grade Bible Presentation

*We rejoice in this step in your journey with God. We pray God will guide you, your family, and us as you use this Holy Bible in your home, your Sunday school classes, and in worship. We will learn together and grow in our love for God’s Word.*

MUSICAL OFFERING....“Slane” from *Four Celtic Preludes*....Derek Gunter, guitar  
Charles Callahan E. Ray Peebles, organ

† SCRIPTURE READING.....GENESIS 50: 15-21.....Dr. Goad  
Old Testament, Page 60 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 ..... Staci Zeagler  
*Children leaving the service for Children’s Chapel may be picked up after the service:*

- *Infants–4 years (8:30 & 11:00): Children’s Ministry Center*
- *K5–1ST graders (11:00): Dawson Building, Room 207, behind the Sanctuary*
- *2ND–3RD graders (11:00): Dawson Building, Room 208, behind the Sanctuary*

JOYS & CONCERNS .....Dr. Day

MORNING PRAYER.....Dr. Rhoads

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.....“Through it All”.....No. 507  
OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Dr. Rhoads  
MUSICAL OFFERING.....*Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel*.....Chancel Choir  
arr. Mark Hayes Meredith Ball, alto  
† 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.....PSALM 73.....Dr. Day  
Old Testament, Page 657 in your Pew Bible  
MESSAGE.....**WHEN YOU DRAW THE SHORT STRAW**.....Dr. Day

I. Lesson 1: Pour out your heart to God.

II. Lesson 2: Carefully consider your choices and their potential impact on others.

III. Lesson 3: See the big picture that God will bring about justice.

A. Enter the sanctuary of the Lord to worship and reflect in the light of truth.

B. Consider how God used raw deals for good in the lives of others.

C. Talk with those who can help you see things from God's perspective.

D. Look at life through the lens of God's goodness and sovereignty.

IV. Lesson 4: Reaffirm and strengthen your relationship with God.

† HYMN OF INVITATION.....“Beams of Heaven as I Go”.....No. 524

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.....Dr. Rhoads

SENDING FORTH.....*God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again*..... Chancel Choir

arr. Fred Bock

POSTLUDE.....*Toccata on “How Firm A Foundation”*.....E. Ray Peebles, organ

Claude Murphree

**ACOLYTES:** Cade Carroway (8:30), Ellen Douglas (8:30), Grant Reagan (11:00), Harrison Ayres (11:00)

**CRUCIFER:** Keith Willis (8:30), Sanders Graf (11:00)

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

• COMMUNION WILL BE SERVED AT 10:00 AM WITH THE SACRAMENT AND LOGS IN COUCH CHAIRS

**Presentation of Bibles to Third Grade**

Avery Ellen Adams	Ivy Rebecca Frierson	Henry Harman Peacock
Frank Huckaby Andrews	Mae Louise Graf	Arman Fakhri Ravari
Kate Elizabeth Bell	Grayson Paul Hargon	Ashley Stuart Rayburn
Jake Parker Black	Harper Macy Hearron	Jillian Kate Rodgers
Carl Benjamin Bretz	John Ashton Hunter	Owen Brooks Sepulvado
Georgia Grace Buteau	Noah Daniel Knight	Parker William Stage
Bryce Daniel Call	Ansley Elizabeth Kremeier	Alexandra Burnett Thaxton
Cannon James Chandler	Kent Gregory Lolley	Caden Elliott Thaxton
Crew Hudson Chandler	Jacob Conrad Mangin	Jeremy Holten Tujague, Jr.
Kathryn Abigail Foreman	Elizabeth Byrd May	
Sarah Margaret Foreman	Bryce Alexander Nix	

**“Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.” - Psalm 119:105**