

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
Celebration of Worship – Sixth Sunday After Pentecost – 7.16.17

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PRELUDE.....*Brother James' Air*.....Judy Price, guest organist  
arr. J.L. Macbeth Bain

WORDS OF WELCOME & GREETING.....Rev. Wilkinson

INTROIT.....*This is the Day*.....Ensemble (8:30)  
Mark Hayes Chancel Choir (11:00)

CALL TO WORSHIP & INVOCATION.....Rev. Wilkinson

† HYMN OF PRAISE .....“Lift High the Cross”.....No. 159

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....No. 887.....Rev. Wilkinson

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*Traditional Spiritual Medley*.....Janet Coglin, alto  
arr. Mark Hayes Alison Beck, piano

† SCRIPTURE READING.....Romans 5:1-8.....Dr. Goad  
New Testament, Page 188 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 Tate

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.....“Thou Hidden Source of Calm Repose”.....No. 153

OFFERTORY PRAYER .....Dr. Goad

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*I Surrender All*.....Ensemble (8:30)  
arr. Mark Hayes                      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 Peter 4:12-19.....Dr. Day  
New Testament, Page 285 in your Pew Bible

MESSAGE.....**DEFINING MOMENTS DEFINE YOUR LIFE**.....Dr. Day

I. First, Defining moments reveal your choices.

II. Second, Defining moments reveal your character.

III. Third, Defining moments reveal your courage.

IV. Fourth, Defining moments reveal your challenges.

V. Finally, Defining moments reveal your commitments.

† \*HYMN OF INVITATION.....“Precious Name”.....No. 536

*(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 .....Rev. Wilkinson

*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.....*God Be With You 'Till We Meet Again*.....Ensemble (8:30)  
arr. Dale Wood Chancel Choir (11:00)

POSTLUDE.....*All Hail the Power*.....Judy Price, guest organist  
arr. Oliver Holden



**Acolytes:** Henry Peacock (8:30), Trevor Cox, Dixon Poirier (11:00)

**Crucifer:** William Peacock (8:30), Madalyn Byrd (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.