

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Celebration of Worship – Ninth Sunday After Pentecost – 8.06.17

PRELUDE.....“Adagio” from *Symphony #3*.....E. Ray Peebles
Louis Vierne

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

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

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

† HYMN OF PRAISE“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”.....No. 57

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH.....No. 888.....Rev. Wilkinson

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*Eternal Life*.....Richard Hemmings, bass
Olive Dungan

† SCRIPTURE READING.....Philippians 4:1-8.....Dr. Goad
New Testament, Page 242 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

JOYS & CONCERNS Dr. Day

MORNING PRAYERBishop 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....."And Can It Be that I Should Gain".....No. 363

† OFFERTORY PRAYERDr. Goad

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*How Can I Keep from Singing*.....Ensemble (8:30)

arr. Taylor Davis

Chancel Choir (11:00)

Elizabeth Beck, violin

Hannah Hobson, oboe

† DOXOLOGYNo. 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.....Philippians 3:12-14.....Dr. Day

New Testament, Page 242 in your Pew Bible

MESSAGE.....**BREAK OUT OF THE PRISON OF REGRET**Dr. Day

I. First, remember that regret is the prison of life.

II. Second, refuse to dwell on the past.

III. Third, create a positive scrapbook in your mind.

IV. Fourth, forgive and forget.

V. Finally, ask God for a new beginning.

† *HYMN OF INVITATION.....“This is a Day of New Beginnings”.....No. 383
*(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 MEMBERSDr. Goad

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.

BENEDICTIONBishop William Hutchinson

SENDING FORTH.....*On Eagle's Wings*.....Ensemble (8:30)
arr. Mark Hayes Chancel Choir (11:00)

POSTLUDE....."Allegro maestoso" from Sonata #2.....E. Ray Peebles
Felix Mendelssohn



Acolytes: Harper Hearnon (8:30), Lily Blaylock, Ben Vance (11:00)

Crucifer: Hutson Hearnon (8:30), Harrison Ayers (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.