

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Celebration of Worship – *Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost* – 8.27.17

PRELUDE.....*Air for the G-String*.....E. Ray Peebles
Johann Sebastian Bach

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 God, Our Help In Ages Past”.....No. 117

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

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*Softly, and Tenderly*.....Kay Hutchinson, alto
arr. Raymond Brown

† SCRIPTURE READING.....I Samuel 17:4-11.....Dr. Goad
Old Testament, Page 323 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 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....."Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus".....No. 349

† OFFERTORY PRAYERDr. Goad

MUSICAL OFFERING.....*Write Your Blessed Name*.....Ensemble (8:30)

K. Lee Scott

Chancel Choir (11:00)

† 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.....I Samuel 17:32-37; 48.....Dr. Day
Old Testament, Page 324 in your Pew Bible

MESSAGE.....**HOW TO BUILD UP YOUR COURAGE**.....Dr. Day

I. First, building up your courage involves daily taking small brave action steps to overcome something that frightens you.

II. Second, building up your courage involves exercising and feeding your faith and starving your fears.

III. Third, building up your courage involves being an active participant in a courageous culture.

IV. Fourth, building up your courage involves standing up and facing your fears and not running from them.

V. Finally, building up your courage involves a lifelong habit of taking calculated risks and making tough decisions.

† *HYMN OF INVITATION.....“Give to the Winds Thy Fears”.....No. 129
(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.....*Alleluia*.....Ensemble (8:30)
Larry Gatlin Chancel Choir (11:00)

POSTLUDE.....*Fugue à la Gigue*.....E. Ray Peebles
Johann Sebastian Bach



Acolytes: Henry Peacock (8:30), John Ashton Hunter, Rowan Miller (11:00)

Crucifer: William Peacock (8:30), Leslie Hunter (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.