

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

LEXINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA



Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Matthew 5:16

#### We love you. We care about you. We're here for you.

We offer a grace-filled welcome to all who come through our doors!

At First United Methodist Church we are each alive in Christ, united in nurturing fellowship, reaching out to share God's boundless love.

*November 2, 2025* 

11:00 a.m.

arr. by Wayne Wold

#### Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost All Saints Sunday

Chiming of the Hour

Rev. Kirk Tutterow Welcome

Opening Voluntary - "A Mighty Fortress"

Phyllis Jones, organ

Call to Worship In Christ we have a glorious inheritance through the power of the Holy Spirit. Let the saints of God rejoice!

Prayer of the Day

God of our forbearers, you turn the world upside down. You teach us that neither wealth, nor social status, nor reputation can lead us to life. Help us follow the example of the saints, that we may receive our glorious inheritance, by living as Christ taught us to live. Amen.

Hymn of Praise No. 711

by William W. How

"For All the Saints"

Mission & Offering Reflections Rev. Miranda Lane, Chaplain Hospice of Davidson County

**Prayer of Thanksgiving** 

God of abundant love, hear the songs of our heartssongs of thankfulness and praise, songs of hope and expectation, songs of laughter and joy, songs of mirth and good will. May our songs be sung throughout the world, in the gifts we bring before you today. May these melodies comfort those who weep, bring mercy to the poor and imprisoned, and offer encouragement to the weary. Amen.

**Anthem -** "Shall We Gather At The River" First UMC Chancel Choir

arr. by John Carter

Shall we gather at the river, where bright angel feet have trod; With its crystal tide forever flowing by the throne of God? **Chorus** 

Ere we reach the shining river, lay we ev'ry burden down; Grace our spirits will deliver, and provide a robe and crown. **Chorus** 

Deep river, my home is over Jordan, Deep river, I want to cross over into campground. Deep river, my home is over Jordan, Soon we'll reach the shining river, soon our pilgrimage will cease; Deep river, I want to cross over into campground. Soon our happy hearts will quiver with the melody of peace. **Chorus** 

**Chorus:** 

Yes, we'll gather by the river, the beautiful, the beautiful river, Gather with the saints at the river, that flows by the throne of God.



A Time for the Child in All of Us All children are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary for a time just for them! Afterwards, children in kindergarten thru 2nd grade are invited to follow the leader to the Godly Play Room for Children's Church.

*Scripture - Ephesians 1:11-23* 

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Sermon - "Our Glorious Inheritance"

Rev. Cheryl Skinner

#### Remembering Our Saints

Susan Grogan Garrison September 19, 1954 – November 5, 2024

**Ruth Jenkins Hedrick** September 20, 1930 – November 11, 2024

Sally Thomas Michaelson November 20, 1957 - November 14, 2024

Karen Louise Pearson August 14, 1941 - November 29, 2024

Martin "Marty" Edward Young September 8, 1963 - December 11, 2024

**Rebecca "Becky" Coltrane Greening** March 4, 1941—December 29, 2024

Mary Louise Wilkerson June 22, 1939—January 25, 2025

**Ruth Hylton Thomas** October 18, 1965—January 27, 2025

Jeanie Hedrick Buchanan December 29, 1956—February 1, 2025

Madeline Wagner Palmer October 28, 1928—February 21, 2025

Io D. Browder October 4, 1932—March 12, 2025

Anna Berrier Samuels October 22, 1984—April 12, 2025

Gregory James "Greg" Oliver October 19, 1955—April 30, 2025

George Henry Hunt Iuly 16, 1939—September 15, 2025

Paul Edward "Eddie" Allred, Jr. April 1, 1937—September 21, 2025

Joyce Mustian Inabinett January 10, 1938—October 15, 2025

Hymn of Response No. 723 "Shall We Gather at the River" by Robert Lowry

*Invitation to Holy Communion* Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession (in unison) Beloved God,

who was known to our mothers and fathers, and even to our spiritual forebears, have mercy on us. We do not always love as you would have us love.

We do not always do as you would have us do.

In our stubbornness. we turn from you when we should turn toward you. Comfort us when we mourn the passing of friends and family, and help us to know that they are rejoicing in your presence. We praise you for the grace you shower on us, constantly forgiving our errors, especially the ones that we don't share with any but you. Hear now the silent fears and worries of our hearts...

Words of Assurance

In Christ we receive a glorious inheritance and God's redeeming grace. Through the power of the Holy Spirit, we are sealed with the saints in holy love. Thanks be to God! Amen.

(You are invited to a time of silent confession...)

The Great Thanksgiving (Musical Setting A) The Lord be with you.

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And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere... ... And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sung Response

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ...
.....And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Sung Response

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church, all honor and glory is yours, almighty God. Now and forever.

Sung Response A-men, a-men, amen!

The Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison) Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hymn of Celebration No. 708

"Rejoice in God's Saints"

by Fred Pratt Green

**Benediction** 

**Choral Benediction -** "Three Fold Amen" First UMC Chancel Choir Danish

Chimes of the Trinity

**Postlude - "For All the Saints"** Phyllis Jones, organ arr. by James Mansfield

## **Prayer Requests**

All are encouraged to review the list and contact the church office to add or remove a name from the prayer list. (\*denotes FUMC members)

First UMC member:
*Rachel Roberts (GF 10-29-25)
*Kay Timberlake (BT 10-28-25)
*Peggy Everhart (BP 10-27-25)
*Bob Pearson (BP 10-27-25)
*Karen Bennett (LM 10-22-25)
*Jemmietta Allred (TB 10-21-25)
*Carlie Bostick (AB 10-2-25)
*Judy Hench (CS 9-11-25)
*Cindy/Tom Smith (AC 5-15-25

Friends & Family: Cathy (TB 10-29-25) Julie Milner (JO 10-28-25) Kathy Matthews (MG 10-28-25) Rev. Ed (Patty) Kelaher (LM 10-28-25) Spencer Davis (CM 10-28-25) Phil (Sharon) Kinzer (CM 10-21-25) Kimberly Wood (CM 10-21-25) Rick LeBaube (CB 10-21-25) Jon & Emerson Bethel (CM 10-21-25) Michael Wood (CM 10-21-25) Louise & Ray Kombau (GF 10-16-25) Jamie Everhart (MG 10-14-25) Beth Graves (MG 10-14-25) Midway Methodist (10-14-25) Major (DB 10-14-25) Special Friend (DB 10-14-25) Special Friends (CM 10-7-25) Torrey Jackson (LM 10-5-25) Mark Frye (CM 9-30-25) Julie Gwaltney (JS 9-29-25) Melba (Charles) Purvis (PÉ 9-9-25) Steve Erickson (VO 9-7-25) Sharon/Edsel Beck (ID 9-3-25) Edith Clement (ID 9-3-25) Dana (Rodney) Colquitt (ID 9-3-25) Brentley & Conley Castor (ID 9-3-25)

Dale, Mandy & Riley Castor (ID 9-3-25)

Curt (Lisa) Miller (JD 9-3-25)

Lee Ann Bethel (CM 8-25-25)

Tami Robinson (CM 8-25-25)

Deanna Smith (JD 9-3-25)

Arlette Walser (BF 7-29-25) Irene Foster (BF 7-29-25) Arnold Miller (KW 7-23-25) Dorey Thomas (JL 7-21-25) Elizabeth Morales (JL 7-18-25) Anna Cruz (CM 7-16-25) Christine (CM 7-14-25) Judy Jordan (CM 7-11-25) Kay Gilmer (CM 7-10-25) Cheryl Crago (EC 7-8-25) Deborah Bisbee (JB 7-4-25) Woody Bowman (TF 6-10-25) Beckey Griffith (CM 5-20-25) Kay Crouse (TB 4-28-25) Ron & Kristie Wooten (OE 4-28-25 Lenny Wegwart (CM 4-13-25) Greg Leonard (LL 4-2-25) Gary (Pat) Leonard (LL 4-2-25) Tommy Hendrix (LL 4-2-25) Tricia Royster (TB 2-19-25) Sarah Rakéstraw (EC 2-11-25) Gloria Bulluck (GF 12-7-24) Brandon/Jan Kraft (CM 11-12-24) Trevor Vermette (GS 11-8-24)

## **Missionaries**

David, Hannah, Nicholas, & Samuel Mora—Honduras

Jackie Truell Butler (CM 6-4-24)

Joan Briggs (CM 3-25-24)

John McNeil (AC 3-1-24)

Anonymous (IA I-31-24)

Amy McIntosh (IO I-31-24)

Betty Jean Whitaker (1-31-24)

Kendall Conner (1-31-24)

Stan Larson (1-31-24)

#### **Serving in the Armed Forces**

\*Major Kacie Allred \*Sergeant McRay Calderone \*SGT John Hall SGT Álan Ingram Major Jarrad Thorley

#### **Member Care** \*Dot Cook

\*Ginnie Easter \*Hilda Flynt \*Larlie Mae Knight \*Edna Morris \*John (Rebecca) Scarff \*Carolyn Smith

\*Patricia Smith \*Dr. Hunter Strader \*Ruby (Buddy) Taylor \*Flonnie Thomason Peggy & Wayne Wegwart

\*Dare Wilson

Brilliance Edgewater (Florida) \*Mary Norman

Brookdale (Falling Creek) \*Mary Hooks

Brookdale (Lexington) \*Libby & Max Lanning \*Ramona Phelps

Harmony at Brookberry Farm (Winston-Salem) \*Louise Hawley

The Pines (Davidson) \*Carolyn Briggs

Piedmont Crossing (Thomasville) Assisted Living \*Rachel Hendrix \*Bob Pearson Residents

\*loan & Dick Bisbee \*Betsy Buchanan \*Herman Crabtree \*lim Dillon \*Becki & Tom Foust

Westminster Canterbury (Virginia) \*Bettye Gray

**Ways To Give** financially back to God through the ministries of First UMC.

We Worship with our Tithes and Offerings—On Sunday, place your tithes and offerings in the plates provided at the back of the church.

Mail to First UMC, 310 S. Main Street, Lexington, NC 27292.



Online Giving for mobile device users, the QR code on the right will take you to a secure mobile site for Online Giving from your smartphone or tablet. On your first visit, you will need to create a profile.

Text to Give – 855-222-3109—Text the amount you wish to give and follow the directions.

## **United in Nurturing Fellowship**

Sunday, November 2

**All Saints Sunday** 

Daylight Savings Ends – Fall BACK one hour Early Worship, Fellowship Hall

8:45am 9:45am Sunday School for ALL Ages II:00am Morning Worship, Sanctuary

11:00am LIVE Stream on YouTube at First UMC Lexington NC 12pm-2pm Event Set-Up for RISE Against Hunger, Fellowship Hall 2:00pm RISE Against Hunger Experience, Fellowship Hall Teens of Life Youth Ministry serving at RISE Against Hunger 2:00pm 3:00pm Endowment, Conference Room

Monday, November 3

10:00am Line Dancing, Fellowship Hall

Hospitality & Evangelism, Conference Room 6:00pm Lexington Choral Society Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall 7:00pm

Tuesday, November 4

10:00am Companions in Christ, Conference Room 12:00pm Prayer Warrior Lunch, BBQ Center 7:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, November 5

Midday Prayer Service, Sanctuary 12:00pm

4:30pm Crochet, Fellowship Hall 5:00pm Endowment, Parlor

7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, November 6

6:00pm Steel Wheels, Fellowship Hall

Friday, November 7

KINDERMUSIK, Ground Floor Classroom 9:30am 10:45am KINDERMUSIK, Ground Floor Classroom 1:30pm Crafting, Home of Terri Hawley

Saturday, November 8

2:00pm Celebration of Life Service for Joyce Inabinett, Sanctuary Event Set-Up, Fellowship Hall

6:00pm Sunday, November 9

Early Worship, Fellowship Hall 8:45am

9:30am United Women in Faith Craft Sale, Fellowship Hall

9:45am Sunday School for ALL Ages II:00am Morning Worship, Sanctuary

LIVE Stream on YouTube at First UMC Lexington NC II:00am

3:00pm Annual Charge Conference, Fellowship Hall 5:00pm Teens of Life Youth Ministry, Youth Room, 2nd Floor

## RISE Against Hunger Experience Today (Fellowship Hall)

12:30p-2p Set-Up 2p-4p Pack Meals Clean-Up

**United Women in Faith Crafts Sale - Please stop by for some early** Christmas shopping.

- Sunday, November 9 Fellowship Hall (9:30a until 10:55a)
- Sunday, Nov 16 & Nov 23 Genesis Class (9:30a until 10:55a)

**Annual Charge Conference** 

Sunday, November 9 (3p) Fellowship Hall

### **Reaching Out and Sharing God's Boundless Love**

**Cancer Services of Davidson County** Sponsored by Missions Team **Items Needed:** 

**Ensure** Depends

**Charles England & Pickett Elementary Backpack Programs** Sponsored by UW in Faith Needed food items: A list is located on our website or at the donation site.

Other Items Needed: Children's Underwear Small - X Large Children's Socks Size 13-4 **Adult Underwear & Socks**  Communities In Schools Items Needed: **Peanut Butter Crackers** Ramen Noodles Individual/Single Serve Sized: Mac & Cheese, Soups,

Spaghetti O's, Lasagna

**Hospice of Davidson** County **Items Needed:** 

Small water bottles Peanut Butter Crackers Cheese Crackers Granola Bars Little Debbie snack cakes Peppermint Candies Canned drinks (12 oz. or less) Single serve sized: Goldfish, Pretzels, Teddy Grahams, Popcorn, Assorted Chips

**Open Hands of Davidson County** Clean & Gently Used: bath towels, washcloths Personal Care Items: Shampoo, bar soap, deodorant, toothpaste/ toothbrush (Travel size items work quite well.)

Pastor's Pantry Canned Food: green beans, tuna, chicken, soups, stews

Your kindly donated items can be dropped off at the collection site just outside of the church office workroom located on the main hallway. Thank You!



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The Sparrow Project is ready to help you short term, in the case of an emergency, illness, or surgery. We have volunteers to help you with simple household repairs, transportation, computer help, or to run an errand. For short term help, call Lauren Hall (336) 239-0860. Also, temporary meal assistance is offered to our church family short term. For

temporary meal assistance, call Terri Beck (980) 234-0686 or Lisa Bonnaure (301) 609-1780 so that delivery can be arranged and an inventory of prepared meal items can be kept up-to-date. It's that simple. You let us know what you need and we will take it from there.

#### **Operation Christmas Child**



Collection week is November 17 - 24 and the last date to turn in shoeboxes at First UMC is Sunday, November 23.

Because she shops year-round and finds great deals to fill a great shoebox, Judy Deal will once again offer to fill a shoebox for

anyone for only \$25 which includes the \$10 shipping. Deadline is Sunday, November 23. Individual OCC shoeboxes are displayed throughout the church, if you enjoy filling you own shoebox. If you have any questions, please contact ludy Deal at 336-479-7244.

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