



**FIRST UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH**
LEXINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA

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

April 19, 2026

11:00 a.m.

Third Sunday of Easter

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome

Rev. Kirk Tutterow

Opening Voluntary - "Praise to the Lord"

Phyllis Jones, organ

arr. by Hall Hopson

Call to Worship

Leader: Even if we feel abandoned and alone,

People: **Christ meets us here.**

Leader: Even when we become lost and disoriented,

People: **Christ rescues us in our need.**

Leader: Even when our hearts are touched by the frost,

People: **Christ warms our spirits.**

Leader: Even when all light has faded to black,

People: **Christ illumines our Way.**

Leader: Here in this house of worship

People: **we enter, rejoice, and come home.**

Opening Prayer (in unison)

**Lover of our souls, you meet us on the road of life
and lift us from our pain and grief.**

**Heal our hardness of heart,
and open our minds to the subtleness of your ways
and the grandeur of your kingdom.**

**During times of suffering and doubt,
help us grow strong and true,
through your enduring word.**

**Reveal your presence to us,
as we show hospitality to strangers
and break bread in your name. Amen.**

Hymn of Praise No. 318

"Christ Is Alive"

by Brian Wren

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Anthem - "Old Time Religion"

arr. by Moses Hogan

First UMC Chancel Choir
Karen Coleman, solo

Give me that old time religion,
Give me that old time religion,
It's good enough for me.

Give me that old time religion,
Give me that old time religion,
Give me that old time religion,
It's good enough for me.

It was good for the Hebrew children,
It was good for the Hebrew children,
It was good for the Hebrew children,
It's good enough for me.

It was good for Paul and Silas,
It was good for Paul and Silas,
It was good for Paul and Silas,
It's good enough for me.

It was good for my grandmother,
It was good for my grandmother,
It was good for my grandmother,
It's good enough for me.

Give me that old time religion,
Give me that old time religion,
Give me that old time religion,
It's good enough for me.

Worshipping God with Our Gifts, Tithes & Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison)

**Loving God, you come to us in moments of grief
when we have lost our ability
to perceive your presence.**

**Receive our thanks for meeting us on the road
and for quickening our spirits.**

**Receive our praise for opening your word to us
and for enlightening our minds.**

**May the gifts we bring before you now
reflect the stirring of our hearts,
as you heal the broken places in our lives.**

**May the offering we bring forth
stir the hearts of those in need
of your mercy and your grace. Amen.**

A Time for the Child in All of Us

Rev. Cheryl Skinner



*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.*

Hymn of Preparation No. 162

by Donald Fishel

"Alleluia, Alleluia"

Scripture Reading - Luke 24:13-35

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Sermon - "Walking the Road to Emmaus"

Rev. Cheryl Skinner

Affirmation of Faith No. 888

"Affirmation from 1 Corinthians 15:1-6 and Colossians 1:15-20"

Hymn of Celebration No. 310

by Alfred H. Ackley

"He Lives"

Benediction

Chimes of the Trinity

Postlude - "Blessed Assurance"

Phyllis Jones, organ

arr. by John Ness Beck

Prayer Requests

Lifting up prayers for our First UMC members, friends, family, community, country, and the world. All are encouraged to review the list and contact the church office to add or remove a name from the prayer list.

First UMC member:

Terri Beck
Larry Langley
Judy Hench
Pat Harrison
Lewis McMillan
Cindy/Tom Smith

Julie Milner
Mark Frye
Jackie Truell Butler
Tony Hill
Cathy
Michael Wood

Member Care

*Dot Cook
*Ginnie Easter
*Hilda Flynt
*Louise Hawley
*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 (Lexington)

*Libby & Max Lanning
*Ramona Phelps

Piedmont Crossing (Thomasville)

Assisted Living

*Rachel Hendrix

*Bob Pearson

Residents

*Joan & Dick Bisbee
*Betsy Buchanan
*Herman Crabtree
*Jim Dillon
*Becki & Tom Foust

Serving in the Armed Forces

*Major Kacie Allred
*Sergeant McRay Calderone
SGT Alan Ingram
Major Jarrad Thorley

Long Term (6 months or longer):

Louise & Ray Kombau
Irene Foster
Dorey Thomas
Elizabeth Morales
Christine
Judy Jordan
Kay Gilmer
Becky Griffith
Kay Crouse
Ron & Kristie Wooten
Greg Leonard
Gary (Pat) Leonard
Tommy Hendrix
Sarah Rakestraw
Gloria Bulluck
Brandon (Jan) Kraft
Trevor Vermette
Joan Briggs
John McNeil
Amy McIntosh
Stan Larson
Betty Jean Whitaker
Kendall Conner

Missionaries

David, Hannah, Nicholas, & Samuel Mora—United States

Friends & Family:

Grace Episcopal
Rev. Ed (Patty) Kelaher
Jane King
Beth Graves
Rob Saunders
Myrna Davis
Kimberly Wood
Torrey Jackson
Jon & Emerson Bethel
Lee Ann Bethel
Tami Robinson
Deborah Bisbee
Rodney (Angela) Perdue & Family
Jim McCutcheon
Kaitlin Deebel
Jamie Vasquez
Kayla
Special Friends
Bobbi Mukosiej
Ginger Hill
Phil (Sharon) Kinzer
Joyce Metters
Special Friends
Spencer Davis
Richard Slater
Roger Thompson
Cheryl Crago
Marlene Jones
Anna Cruz
Linda Cox

A Note of Sympathy

Sympathy of the ministers and members of the congregation is extended to Brenda Leonard and family upon the occasion of the death of her son, Bentley William Leonard on April 13, 2026. Brenda is a retired Administrative Assistant of First UMC – Lexington.



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United in Nurturing Fellowship

Sunday, April 19

8:30am United Methodist Men, Fellowship Hall
8:45am Early Worship, Sanctuary
9:30am Sunday School for ALL Ages
11:00am Morning Worship, Sanctuary
11:00am LIVE Stream on YouTube at First UMC Lexington NC
2:00pm Trustees/Endowment, Fellowship Hall
TBA Teens of Life Youth Ministry, Laser Tag

Monday, April 20

7:00pm Lexington Choral Society Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Tuesday, April 21

10:00am Companions in Christ Small Group, Conference Room
12:00pm Prayer Warriors' Lunch, B-B-Q Center
5:45pm Spruill Koinonia Fellowship provides evening meal at DC First Hope Ministries

Wednesday, April 22

1:00pm Chair Yoga, Fellowship Hall
6:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal, Fellowship Hall
7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, April 23

(7:30a-9:30a) Triad Referral Partners, Spruill Koinonia Fellowship classroom
(8a-9a) Event Set Up, Fellowship Hall
(9a-12p) WNCC Event, Fellowship Hall
(12p-1p) Event Clean Up, Fellowship Hall
6:00pm Chair Volleyball, Fellowship Hall

Friday, April 24

9:30am Kindermusik, Ground Floor classroom
10:45am Kindermusik, Ground Floor classroom

Saturday, April 25

Sunday, April 26

8:45am Early Worship, Fellowship Hall
9:30am Sunday School for ALL Ages
11:00am Morning Worship, Sanctuary
11:00am LIVE Stream on YouTube at First UMC Lexington NC
5:00pm Teens of Life Youth Ministry

Called Church Council Meeting

Sunday, May 3 (Immediately following 11a worship service)

Spruill Koinonia Fellowship classroom

Lexington Choral Society presents A Spring Sing Concert

Songs We Know By Heart – *Music from the Movies*

Sunday, May 3 (3pm) First UMC Sanctuary

The concert is FREE and open to the public!

Port-A-Pit Chicken Fundraiser sponsored by United Methodist Men

Friday, May 15, 2026 (Take-Out 10am until 6pm) State Street Entrance

Tickets: \$13 each—Ticket Sales End Friday, May 8, 2026

Proceeds benefit mission projects.

Bake Sale sponsored by United Women in Faith

Friday, May 15, 2026 (10a until 1p) State Street Entrance

When you stop by to pick up your Port-A-Pit Chicken Dinners, drop by to purchase some home bake goods from the ladies of the church. What could be better than that? Proceeds benefit mission projects.

Evangelism & Hospitality Event

Sunday, May 17, 2026 – Church Lawn

(4pm-5pm) A Time of Fellowship with Games

(5pm) Hamburgers & Hotdogs with sides, drinks, & dessert.

A love offering will be accepted for the cost of the meal. In case of rain, we will gather together in the 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

Small

Communities In Schools

Items Needed:

Individual/Single Serve Sized:

Mac & Cheese, Soups,

Spaghetti O's, Lasagna,

Peanut Butter Crackers,

Ramen Noodles

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

Pastor's Pantry

Canned Food: green beans,

tuna, chicken, soups, stews

Open Hands of Davidson County

Items Needed:

Boxes of Cereal

Spaghetti Noodles

Saltine Crackers

Rice

Mac-n-Cheese

Stove Top Stuffing

Ramen Noodles

Canned Vegetables

Soups / Spaghetti Sauce

Cranberry Sauce

Peanut Butter

Cases of Water

Street Food Items:

Vienna Sausage

Potted Meat

Pop Top Cans of Ravioli,

Spaghetti O's, etc.

Single serve sized: Peanut

Butter Crackers, Chips,

Pop Tarts

Instant Hot Chocolate

Clean & Gently Used: bath

towels, washcloths

Personal Care Items:

Body wipes, disposable

razors, shampoo, bar soap,

deodorant, toothpaste/

toothbrush (Travel size items

work quite well.)



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 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.

Giving Generously Together

Offering plates are provided at the back of the sanctuary.



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

Online Giving for mobile device users, the QR code on the

left 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.