



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.

June 7, 2026 **11:00 a.m.**

Second Sunday after Pentecost

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome

Rev. Kirk Tutterow

Opening Voluntary - "Be Thou My Vision"

Phyllis Jones, organ

arr. by Hal Hopson

Call to Worship

Leader: Shout with joy,
People: for God has blessed us.
Leader: Sing with praise,
People: for God is here.
Leader: Worship and pray,
People: for God is listening.

Opening Prayer

**Blessed God, thank you for blessing us
in your myriad ways.
Thank you for trusting us to be your people,
to shine with your love,
and to work for your justice.
In this time of worship, guide and strengthen us,
that we may go forth to bless your world
fully and abundantly.
In your blessed name, we pray. Amen.**

Invitation to Praise No. 100 *by William Boyd Grove*
"God, Whose Love Is Reigning o'er Us"

We Worship with our Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving (in unison)

**God of abundance and love, bless these gifts,
and bless our lives with your abundance
and your love.**

**In all that we have and in all that we are,
may we bless and honor you
and bless and honor your beloved world. Amen.**

Anthem - "Lord, I Stretch My Hands" *by Jay Althouse*
First UMC Chancel Choir

Lord, I stretch my hands to you; no other help I know.
If you should leave me all alone, where, then, shall I go?
Oh, Lord, I give my soul to you; I seek your care and love.
No other blessings do I need but those from you above.
Lord, I ask you; give me faith, and help me understand.
And, Lord, when I, this life shall leave, just hold me in your hand.
Lord, I stretch my hands to you; no other help I know.
If you should leave me all alone, where, then, shall I go?
Oh, Lord, oh, Lord, I stretch my hands to you.

A Time for the Child in All of Us *Rev. Cheryl Skinner*



All children are invited to come to the front of the church at this time. Afterwards, children in kindergarten thru 2nd grade are invited to follow the leader to the Godly Play Room for Children's Church.

Scriptures - Genesis 12:1-9 & Romans 4:13-25 *OT Page 10 & NT Page 155*

Sermon - "Faith, Grace & Blessings" *Rev. Cheryl Skinner*

Hymn of Response No. 508 *by Anders Frostenson*
"Faith, While Trees Are Still in Blossom"

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)

**Compassionate Christ,
we yearn for that mysterious gift of shalom.
We long for healing and wholeness,
for peace and comfort.
But the gift all too often seems elusive, or even absent.
Touch our hearts and heal our weary souls.
Bless our wounds,
that we may bless others in need of your love.
Soothe our fears with courage,
that we may be strong enough to answer your call.
Raise us into new life with your miraculous grace,
that we may be blessings of miraculous grace
in your world. Amen.**
(You are invited to a time of silent confession...)

Words of Assurance

Christ's love is faithful and true.
God's blessings are sure.
Be encouraged, dear friends,
your faith has made you well.

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.
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:

**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:

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.
Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Sharing the Bread and the Cup

Prayer after Communion

**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.**

Invitation To Be the Church - No. 400 *by Robert Robinson*
"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Benediction

Benediction Response - No. 334 *by Doris Akers*
"Sweet, Sweet Spirit" Chorus
Choir & Congregation

Chimes of the Trinity

Postlude - "God of Grace" *arr. by Paul Manz*
Phyllis Jones, organ

Flowers

The flowers in the narthex are given to the glory of God and in honor of Kay Timberlake upon the occasion of her 88th birthday today, June 7, 2026, with love by Bob Timberlake.

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
Curtis Leonard
Louise (Terri & Richard) Hawley
Mary Plyde Bell
Judy Hench
Lewis McMillan

Friends & Family:

Democratic Republic of the Congo & Uganda
Suzie Duncan
Special Friends (5-31-26)
Debbie McNeill
Jackie Truell Butler
Ashlyn Tookey
Mary Sue Leonard
Julie Milner
Christine
Torrey Jackson
Kimberly Wood
Jon & Emerson Bethel
Lee Ann Bethel
Tami Robinson
Charlotte Froelich
Holly Chote
Special Friends
Beth Graves
Janet Fite Coyne
Ron & Kristie Wooten
Margaret Fite McKinnon
Spencer Davis
Rodney (Angela) Perdue & Family
Kelly Greathouse
Mark Frye
Special Friends (4-28-26)
Myrna Davis
Bobbi Mukosiej
Friend's daughter
Jim McCutcheon
Grace Episcopal
Rev. Ed (Patty) Kelaher
Jane King

Kaitlin Deebel
Cheryl Crago
Sarah Rakestraw
Deborah Bisbee
Jamie Vasquez
Mary Plyde Bell
Ginger Hill
Phil (Sharon) Kinzer
Joyce Metters
Richard Slater
Roger Thompson
Marlene Jones
Linda Cox

Long Term (6 months or longer):

Kendall Conner
Cindy/Tom Smith
Michael Wood
Louise & Ray Kombau
Elizabeth Morales
Judy Jordan
Kay Gilmer
Becky Griffith
Kay Crouse
Greg Leonard
Gary (Pat) Leonard
Tommy Hendrix
Gloria Bulluck
Brandon (Jan) Kraft
Trevor Vermette
Joan Briggs
John McNeil
Amy McIntosh
Stan Larson
Betty Jean Whitaker

Missionaries

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

Member Care

*Dot Cook
*Ginnie Easter
*Hilda Flynt
*Louise Hawley
*Larlie Mae Knight
*Edna Morris
*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

United in Nurturing Fellowship

Sunday, June 7

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
12:00pm **Medical Response & Security Teams, Fellowship Hall**
12:30pm **Spruill Koinonia Fellowship serves lunch at Grace Episcopal**

Monday, June 8

Tuesday, June 9

12:00pm Prayer Warriors' Lunch, B-B-Q Center
7:00pm **Staff Parish Relation Committee, Parlor**

Wednesday, June 10

(11:30a-1:30p) Private Event using 4th Avenue parking area
7:00pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

Thursday, June 11

(7:30a-9:30a) Triad Referral Partners, Spruill Koinonia Fellowship classroom

Friday, June 12

Kindermusik (Refer to website for details)

Saturday, June 13

Sunday, June 14

PASSPORT Youth Mission Trip begins, Banner Elk, NC

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9:30am Sunday School for ALL Ages
11:00am Morning Worship, Sanctuary
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Father's Day Insert Requests **DUE WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17**

Please turn in your donation with a completed request form to the church office. Proceeds benefit the children's & youth ministries.

Do you have Board Games and/or Card Games that need a new home? If so, the Teens of Life Youth would love to use them in the youth room. Please contact **Rev. Amy Higgins** with questions.

We're on Summer Break!

The Sunday school classes for children & youth and Faith & Friends (adults) are on a break for the Summer!

Vacation Bible School!

**Sunday, July 26 – Thursday, July 30
(5:30pm until 8:00pm)**

Dinner provided.

Registration is OPEN!

SCAN the QR code →

Printed registration forms are available in the church office.



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

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!

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.)



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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 **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.