

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH LINCOLNTON

Fifth Sunday of Epiphany

Eleven O'clock A.M.

February 9, 2020

GATHERING AND GREETING

(Please use this time to greet those around you, sign and pass the pew pads)

Welcome and Announcements

A TIME TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

Chiming of the Holy Trinity

Prelude and Lighting of the Candles

Choral Call to Worship

"Lift Every Voice and Sing"

Organist / Acolytes

Chancel Choir

*Call to Worship

Wanda Lutz

Leader: We come, hungry for what the world cannot give.

People: **O LORD, fill our hearts and spirits with your presence.**

Leader: We come with honesty, we confess we are prone to sin and temptation.

People: **O Lord, assure us of our total forgiveness and your mercy.**

Leader: We come, longing for a place in the world, for lives that have meaning.

People: **O Lord, use us to bless a hurting world. Let our witness be a beacon of reconciliation.**

* Opening Hymn

"My Tribute (Sing Twice)"

UMH # 99

* Affirmation of faith

Selections from Romans 8:35, 37-39

Wanda Lutz

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword? No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God! Amen

**"Glory Be to the Father"*

Children's Time

UMH # 71

Robbie Combs

A TIME OF JOY AND GIVING

Invitation to Offering:

Lord, my Rock and Redeemer, thank you that you are infinitely, consistently and perfectly wise. You have said that whatever we give is acceptable if we give it eagerly. You have said that we should give according to what we have. Help us to bring our offerings with an eager heart, not as a comparison with others but as an act of worship to you. May we find the comfort we desire in you and the strength we need in your name. May your presence be with us every hour of the day. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

The Offertory

"All Creatures of our God and King"

Handbell Choir

(Giving our tithes, and contemplation of how God has blessed us.)

Anthem

"Come to the Table of the Lord"

Chancel Choir

*Doxology

" Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH #94

A TIME OF PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 5: 1-12

Message

"Because When the World Shouts, We Sing! "

Rev. Tony Matthews

Sacrament of Communion

UMH #13

Gluten free wafers are available

*Closing Hymn

"Trust and Obey"

UMH #467

A TIME TO GO FORTH AS THE CHURCH

*Benediction

Choral Response

SENT FORTH, READY TO SERVE

*Postlude

Organist

Pray for Members: David Lowe, Linda Shields, Linda Smith, Mary Robinson, Emily Childs, Peggy Lippard, Daniel Denapoli, CB Wolfe, Donna Parker, Sarah Lantz, Virginia Myrick, Larry Garner, Brenda Ballard, Doris Lail, Jim Lail, Mike Pittman, Kay Polhill, Bobbie Robinson, Sloan Robinson, Ken Mace, Grace Johnson, Kay Marks, Ken Marks, Don Rudisill, Jr., Rosie Modlin, Kathy Dellinger Kirksey, Sharina Komen, Suzette Holbrooks.

Shut In List: Hazel Robinson, Jo Huss, Donna Conner Morris, Bobbie Jean Crowell, Nancy Boulware, Carolyn Dellinger, Verna Rufini.

*Stand as you are able