

**WELCOME GUESTS  
AND MEMBERS!**

We are so glad you chose to worship Jesus Christ with us today! We would love to know that you were with us. Please fill out this slip, detach it, and drop it in the offering plate.

**GUESTS**

Name(s)

Name(s)

Street Address

City/State/ZIP

Phone

Email

- I would like to become a member
- I would like to become involved in a ministry or mission
- I would like the pastor to call me

**MEMBERS**

List each person present and update any info

Name(s)

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**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**In your daily prayers, please pray for:**

**NEW:** Paul Douglas Family, Elvie Cranford, Jane Finger, Carole Howell, Judy Komas, Colton (Friend of Karson Shrum), Rosie Modlin

**CONTINUING:** Thomas Allen, Beverly Beal, Arlen & Sue Belk, Laurie Anne Beyer, Les Canupe, Greg Clarke, Rob Coles (son of Lynn Campbell), Kathy Douglas, Sandy Eldridge, Jane Finger, Barbara Fitzpatrick, Kim Fitzpatrick, Pam Freeman, Donald Hartsell (brother-in-law of Kathy Dellinger), Ed Hatley, Betty Jo Helms, Jayce Heff, Denise Hobbs, Dolly Jones, Jack Jones, Danny Kirkpatrick, Randi Kolseth, Susan Henthorn, Pat Lawing, Jim Love, Judy Lowe, Faye Morris, Danny Nicholson, Patsy Nicholson, Suzy Otterman, Hal & Joann Parker, Lessie Pendleton, Gracie Sceascea, Linda Smith, Laura Smallwood, David Wyant, First UMC, Peace in Europe, Prayers for the homeless

**NURSING FACILITIES:** Ann Ford (The Addison), Mary Heavner (Abernethy Laurels), Brenda Noles (Heath House), Mary Jean Rollins (Summit Place - Mooresville)

**HOMEBOUND:** Brenda Ballard, Lou Beal, Winnon Cashion, Jo Huss, Donna Connor Morris, Bobbie Robinson, Mary Robinson, Verna Rufini

**THOSE SERVING YOU TODAY**

<b>MINISTERS:</b>	All Members of First UMC
<b>LITURGIST:</b>	Suzanne Peeler
<b>GREETERS:</b>	Mike & Libby Cline
<b>ACOLYTE:</b>	Brooks Hardin
<b>HEAD USHER:</b>	Carl Henline
<b>MEDIA TECHS:</b>	Tim Leonard, Ron Metzger & Thurman Melton
<b>PEW KEEPERS:</b>	Jeremy & Emily Krech
<b>ROVER:</b>	Liz Strachan
<b>VALET:</b>	Steve Herman

**STAFF OF FIRST UMC**

<b>PASTOR</b>	Dr. Tim Roberts	336-293-3698	troberts@wncumc.net
<b>PASTOR EMERITUS</b>	Rev. Phillip Cole		
<b>DIR. OF MINISTRIES</b>	Robbie Combs		firstumcministries@gmail.com
<b>DIR. OF MUSIC</b>	Joanna Underwood		junmor61@gmail.com
<b>ORGANIST/PIANIST</b>	Neil Underwood		nunderwoodband@gmail.com
<b>FINANCIAL ASSIST.</b>	Letha Owen		lrowen520@gmail.com
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<b>PRESCHOOL DIR.</b>	Kristen Willis		preschool@fumclincolnton.com

CCLI #20422793 (Music), #20422803 (Streaming), CVLI #504379166 (Video)



**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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**First United Methodist Church  
Lincolnton**

*Love God. Love All. Be Like Jesus.*



**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

*Enter to Worship*  
February 4, 2024

*Kneel to Pray*  
5<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Epiphany

*Rise to Serve*  
11:00 A.M.

**PRELUDE**

**CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY**

**GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP**

*You Are Welcome Here*

Chancel Choir

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

LEADER: We gather here in anticipation,

**PEOPLE: Seeking an encounter with our Holy God,**

LEADER: Who comes among us when we least expect it,

**PEOPLE: Who invites us to wrestle with our questions and doubts,**

LEADER: Who richly blesses us,

**PEOPLE: and calls us each by name.**

**ALL: Let’s worship God together!**

**\*HYMN**

*O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing*

UMH #57

**MISSION MOMENT**

Jerry & Gayle Park

**TIME MOSTLY FOR CHILDREN**

Robbie Combs

**SCRIPTURE READING**

James 1: 19-21

**ANTHEM**

*Come to the Table of the Lord*

Chancel Choir

**SERMON**

*Control*  
*1st in Series:*  
*Reset*

Dr. Tim Roberts

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

**\*HYMN**

*Lord of the Dance*

UMH#261

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Chancel Choir

**\*POSTLUDE**

*\*\*\*You are invited to stand, as you are able\*\*\**

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**WELCOME:** To all who need a church home, who mourn and need comfort, who are lonely and need friendship, who know how to pray and who do not, who sin and need a Saviour, who are displaced and are searching for community, who are tossed in turbulent waters and are seeking a safe harbor, and to whosoever will – First United Methodist Church opens wide its heart, mind, and doors, and in the name of Jesus the Christ says: WELCOME!.

**Communion Assistants: Jerry & Gayle Park; Ron & Pam Metzger**

**PRAYER CONNECTIONS**

*Jesus said, “Therefore I say to you, whatever you pray and ask for, believe that you will receive it, and it will be so for you.”*  
- Mark 11:24 (CEB)

We believe in the power of prayer. If you have a prayer concern that you would like for the church and/or the pastor to pray with you about, please let us know by writing it down on the slip below and dropping it in the offering plate.

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**Check here to have your prayer request to be shared with the church. Otherwise, it will remain confidential.**

Use the space below to list any requests for more information about events or to provide additional information about yourself. Please place this slip in the offering plate.

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