

**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: Mae Reasoner, Judy Komars, Rosie Modlin

CONTINUING: Thomas Allen, Beverly Beal, Arlen & Sue Belk, Laurie Anne Beyer, Les Canupe, Greg Clarke, Rob Coles (son of Lynn Campbell), Colton (Friend of Karson Shrum), Elvie Cranford, 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

MINISTERS:	All Members of First UMC
LITURGIST:	Jeff Noles
GREETERS:	Keith & Kathy Dedmond
ACOLYTE:	Owen Krech
HEAD USHER:	Carl Henline
MEDIA TECHS:	Tim Leonard, Ron Metzger & Thurman Melton
PEW KEEPERS:	Dianne Putnam
ROVER:	Kathy Dedmond
VALET:	Tim Leonard

STAFF OF FIRST UMC

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**First United Methodist Church
Lincolnton**

Love God. Love All. Be Like Jesus.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Enter to Worship
February 18, 2024

Kneel to Pray
1st Sunday of Lent

Rise to Serve
11:00 A.M.

DEDICATION OF NEW PIANO Gordon Hubbell

PRELUDE *Come, Thou Fount* Neil Underwood

CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP Chancel Choir
You Are Welcome Here

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

LEADER: We look to the rulers of this earth

PEOPLE: for leadership, wisdom, and strength.

LEADER: We look to these bodies of ours

PEOPLE: for stability, fulfillment, and joy.

LEADER: We look to families and friends

PEOPLE: for love, compassion, and hope.

LEADER: When rulers betray, when bodies fail,
and when families disappoint,

PEOPLE: God offers another look.

LEADER: God will guide us. God’s Spirit will sustain us.

PEOPLE: Christ will welcome us home.

ALL: Come, sisters and brothers, we are all God’s family now.

***HYMN** *Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed* UMH #294

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***GLORIA PATRI**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost! As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

TIME MOSTLY FOR CHILDREN Suzanne Peeler

WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS Dr. Tim Roberts

SPECIAL MUSIC *It Is Well With My Soul* Neil Underwood

ANTHEM *How Beautiful* Chancel Choir

SERMON *Delete* Dr. Tim Roberts
3rd in Series: Reset
Acts 10: 34-35; Philippians 4:13

***HYMN** *Open My Eyes, That I May See* UMH #454

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION** Chancel Choir

***POSTLUDE**

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

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!.

The beautiful flowers gracing our sanctuary today are given in honor of Rev. Dr. Tim Roberts for his devotion to our church during his tenure as our pastor. God’s Blessings to you as you begin this next step on your faith journey.

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.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TITHES AND OFFERINGS: The offering plates are located at each entrance for you to give of your weekly tithe and offerings. You may also choose to use our online giving portal at: www.fumclincolnton.com/give-online

FLOWER CALENDAR: The 2024 Flower Calendar is now posted outside of the church office in the Education Building. You may also contact the church office if you wish to place flowers in the sanctuary in honor or in memory of a loved one.

LENTEN LUNCH SERVICES: Join us this Wednesday, Feb 21, for our Lenten Lunch Service. Lunch is served from 12:00 until 12:30 (with a suggested donation of \$6.00), and the service is from 12:30 until 1:00 pm. Rev. Ronnie Roseboro from Boger City UMC will be the preacher for this week's service.

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GRIEFSHARE: A new session of our Griefshare group will begin on Monday, February 26th at 10:00 am in the Annex. To register, visit our website www.fumclincolnton.com/ministries-missions and click on the Griefshare link. You can also see Joey Lockman with any questions.

COMING SOON: The return of "Coffee & Conversations" in the Fellowship hall. More details to follow! Watch this space!

UNITED METHODIST MEN: The United Methodist Men will hold their monthly breakfast meeting next Sunday, February 25th at 8:00 am in the fellowship hall. All men of the church are invited to attend.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES UPDATE:

Emergency Services is requesting:

- Backpacks for the homeless
- Jeans waist size 30 and 32
- Long sleeve T-shirts for men
- Men's underwear – all sizes
- Penny candy for Easter Basket eggs

Soup Kitchen Wish List items:

- Forks, napkins, parchment paper, soup crackers and butter

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING: Thank you to everyone who brought donations last Sunday for our Souper Bowl of Caring! We collected 100+ cans of soup, and monetary donations totalling \$1032.00.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS – February 25

Liturgist: Bo King

Greeters: Tim & Rosemary Leonard

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