

**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)

Name(s)

Street Address

City/State/ZIP

Phone

Email

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

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

**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, Mae Reasoner, 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), Judy Komas (The Addison), Brenda Noles (Heath House), Mary Jean Rollins (Summit Place - Mooresville)

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

**THOSE SERVING YOU TODAY**

<b>MINISTERS:</b>	All Members of First UMC
<b>LITURGIST:</b>	Wanda Lutz
<b>GREETERS:</b>	Bill & Karen Leonhardt
<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>	Peggie Shuford
<b>ROVER:</b>	Carl Henline
<b>VALET:</b>	Jahn Lantz

**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*  
March 3, 2024

*Kneel to Pray*  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent

*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: The heavens are telling the glory of God

**People: May our worship reflect God's glory.**

Leader: The firmament proclaims God's handiwork.

**People: May we see each other as the handiwork of God.**

Leader: Let our prayer and praise, our singing and proclamation project the love of God.

**People: We commune with Christians around the world, with Christians throughout time.**

Leader: With Christians across geography and across time,

**ALL: Let us worship!**

## \*HYMN

*All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name*

UMH #155

## \*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

Billy Howell

## ANTHEM

*Who Is This King?*

Chancel Choir

## SERMON

*I am Only  
Jeremiah 1:1; 4-9*

Dr. Larry Kimel

## \*HYMN

*I Am Thine, O Lord*

UMH #419

## 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!.

## 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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## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE**

### **CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES UPDATE:**

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- 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:

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