

**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) \_\_\_\_\_

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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:**

**NEW:** Susan Henthorn, Thurman Melton, Rev. Sarah Underwood

**CONTINUING:** Thomas Allen, Deanie Auton, Beverly Beal, Richard Beeker, Arlen & Sue Belk, Laurie Anne Beyer, Jeremiah Buff, Les Canupe, Greg Clarke, Rob Coles (son of Lynn Campbell), Elvie Cranford, Kathy Douglas, Sandy Eldridge, Jane Finger, Barbara Fitzpatrick, Kim Fitzpatrick, Rev. Keiko Foster, Donald Hartsell (brother-in-law of Kathy Dellinger), Ed Hatley, Betty Jo Helms, Jayce Heff, Denise Hobbs, LoisMary Hoehne, Dolly Jones, Jack Jones, Danny Kirkpatrick, Randi Kolseth, Pat Lawing, Jim Love, Judy Lowe, Jerry McClure, Thurman Melton, Faye Morris, Danny Nicholson, Patsy Nicholson, Suzy Otterman, Hal & Joann Parker, Mae Reasoner, Dr. Tim Roberts, Linda H Rudisill, Gracie Sceascea, Linda Smith, Laura Smallwood, Lula Strachan (Paul Strachan's Mother), David Wyant, First UMC, Peace in Europe, Prayers for the homeless, our country

**NURSING FACILITIES:** Ann Ford (The Addison), Mary Heavner (Abernethy Laurels), Judy Komas (The Addison), Brenda Noles (Heath House), Verna Rufini (Abernethy Laurels – Rehab)

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

**THOSE SERVING YOU TODAY**

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| <b>MINISTERS:</b>   | All Members of First UMC                  |
| <b>LITURGIST:</b>   | Michael Powers                            |
| <b>GREETERS:</b>    | Jason & Jennifer Ellis                    |
| <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> | Joe & Susan Wigley                        |
| <b>ROVER:</b>       | Keith Dedmond                             |
| <b>VALET:</b>       | Bo King                                   |

**STAFF OF FIRST UMC**

|                           |                  |              |                              |
|---------------------------|------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| <b>INTERIM PASTOR</b>     | Dr. Larry Kimel  | 704-609-0949 | lkimel@sc.rr.com             |
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| <b>DIR. OF MUSIC</b>      | Joanna Underwood |              | junmor61@gmail.com           |
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| <b>FINANCIAL ASSIST.</b>  | Letha Owen       |              | lrowen520@gmail.com          |
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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*

*Kneel to Pray*

*Rise to Serve*

June 16, 2024

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost  
FATHER'S DAY**

11:00 A.M.

**PRELUDE** Neil Underwood

**CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY**

**GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INSTALLATION OF NEW CLC MEMBERS** Gordon Hubbell

**MISSION MOMENT** Ron Metzger

**CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP** Chancel Choir  
*Awesome God*

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Come to God who gathers us in.

**People: We come to God who nurtures us like a father.**

Leader: Come to God whose arms are open and waiting.

**People: We come to God who welcomes and forgives us.**

Leader: Come to God who journeys with us.

**People: We come to God who sees us as we really are and loves us anyway.**

**ALL: Come, praise our loving nurturing God!**

**\*HYMN** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* UMH #103

**\*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 FOR ALL GOD'S CHILDREN** Robbie Combs

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**SCRIPTURE READING** Selections from Psalms, Proverbs and Malachi

**ANTHEM** *We Need You, Lord* Chancel Choir

**SERMON** *Joseph X 3* Dr. Larry Kimel

**\*HYMN** *Rise Up, O Men of God* UMH #576

**\*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!

**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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