

**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:

NEW: Caylor Brinkley, Beulah Cannon, Luke Rainwater, Randy Ramsey, Artie and Linda Sheilds, those who wish to remain unnamed.

CONTINUING: Thomas Allen, Deanie Auton, 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, Susan Henthorn, Denise Hobbs, LoisMary Hoehne, Dolly Jones, Jack Jones, Danny Kirkpatrick, Randi Kolseth, Pat Lawing, Karen Leonhardt, Jim Love, Judy Lowe, Jerry McClure, Pat Maddox, Thurman Melton, Faye Morris, Danny Nicholson, Patsy Nicholson, Suzy Otterman, Hal and Joann Parker, Mae Reasoner, Dr. Tim Roberts, Linda H Rudisill, Gracie Sceaseca, Randolph Shives, Laura Smallwood, Linda Smith, Rhonda Swafford, Rev. Sarah Underwood, David Wyant, First UMC, Peace in Europe, Prayers for the homeless, United States of America

NURSING FACILITIES: Ann Ford (The Addison), Mary Heavner (Abernethy Laurels), Judy Komas (The Addison), Verna Rufini (Abernethy Laurels)

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

THOSE SERVING YOU TODAY

MINISTERS:	All Members of First UMC
LITURGIST:	Jason Ellis
GREETERS:	Dianne Putnam & Joann Parker
ACOLYTE:	Brooks Hardin
HEAD USHER:	Carl Henline
MEDIA TECHS:	Tim Leonard, Ron Metzger & Thurman Melton
PEW KEEPERS:	Ernie & Betty Parker
ROVER:	Ron Metzger
VALET:	Bo King

STAFF OF FIRST UMC

PASTOR	Rev. Sarah Underwood	sunderwood@wncumc.net
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FINANCIAL ASSIST.	Letha Owen	lrowen520@gmail.com
FACILITIES MGR.	Steve Herman	paherman@charter.net
PRESCHOOL DIR.	Kristen Willis	preschool@fumclincolnton.com

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



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**First United Methodist Church
Lincolnton**

Love God. Love All. Be Like Jesus.



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Enter to Worship
August 25, 2024

Kneel to Pray
14th Sunday After Pentecost

Rise to Serve
11:00 A.M.

GATHERING

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY

PRELUDE *Hymn of Promise* Neil Underwood

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP Chancel Choir
What a Day That Will Be

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the lands! Come into his presence with singing!

P: Know that the Lord is God! It is he that made us, and we are his.

L: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him and bless his name!

P: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, his faithfulness to all generations.

***HYMN** *O Worship The King* UMH# 73

***STATEMENT OF FAITH OF THE KOREAN METHODIST CHURCH** UMH# 884

***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 Billy Howell

SCRIPTURE READING

John 6: 56-69

CALL TO PRAYER

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Chancel Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

ANTHEM *Trust and Obey*

Chancel Choir

SERMON *The Words of Life* Rev. Sarah Underwood

***HYMN** *What a Friend We Have In Jesus* UMH #526

***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 are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Carolyn Dysart and in loving honor of Shirley Combs on the occasion of their August 31st birthday.

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

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Soup Kitchen – Most Needed Items for Pantry:

- Crackers, Peanut butter, breakfast foods, detergent, bar soap, pop top canned foods

Wish List for Soup Kitchen:

- 55 gallon trash bags, butter Olive Oil

EMERGENCY SERVICES IS ASKING FOR:

- Tennis shoes ALL sizes MEN’S, women’s boys & girls
- Women’s undergarments new (underwear and bras) any Size

BACKPACK MINISTRY: Our church has supported for years a backpack program at GE Massey Elementary School. This year’s program will support 24 children by sending home with them each week nutritious, easy to prepare meals and snacks. There are 12 church members involved buying, packing and delivering to the school for weekly home delivery. In addition, many church members regularly support this program through financial contributions. Checks with the word “backpack” on subject line or cash in an appropriately labeled envelope can be put in the collection plate or at the church office. The FUMC’s backpack program is a success because of YOU! Thank you for all you do!

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