

**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) _____

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Phone _____

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PRAYER CONCERNS

In your daily prayers, please pray for:

CONTINUING: Thomas Allen, Deanie Auton, Arlen & Sue Belk, Laurie Anne Beyer, Caylor Brinkley, Jeremiah Buff, Beulah Cannon, Les Canupe, Greg Clarke, Rob Coles (son of Lynn Campbell), Elvie Cranford, Kathy Douglas, Jane Finger, Barbara Fitzpatrick, Kim Fitzpatrick, Rev. Keiko Foster, Billy Harkey, Donald Hartsell (brother-in-law of Kathy Dellinger), Ed Hatley, 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, Rob Owen, Hal and Joann Parker, Randy Ramsey, Dr. Tim Roberts, Linda H Rudisill, Gracie Sceascea, Artie & Linda Shields, Randolph Shives, Laura Smallwood, Rev. Charles Stevens, 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 Komars (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: | Katie Hardin |
| GREETERS: | Chase & Noah Hardin |
| ACOLYTE: | Brook Hardin |
| HEAD USHER: | Carl Henline |
| MEDIA TECHS: | Tim Leonard, Ron Metzger & Thurman Melton |
| PEW KEEPERS: | Vickie Andrews |
| ROVER: | Rosalind Welder |
| VALET: | Steve Kirksey |

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
September 29, 2024

Kneel to Pray
19th Sunday After Pentecost

Rise to Serve
11:00 A.M.

GATHERING

GREETINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEALTH MINISTRY MOMENT

CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY

PRELUDE

Holy, Holy, Holy

Neil Underwood

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Shine, Jesus Shine

Chancel Choir

***CALL TO WORSHIP:**

Leader: Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

People: They will say of the Lord, “God is my refuge and fortress, the one in whom we trust.” Those who dwell in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the refuge of God’s wings.

Leader: They will not fear the terror of the night nor the arrow that flies by day.

People: “Those who love me, I will deliver,” says the Lord. O Lord, we call to you now. Show us your salvation.

***HYMN**

When Morning Gilds The Sky

UMH# 185

***PSALTER READING FROM PSALM 124**

UMH# 846

***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

Suzanne Peeler

SCRIPTURE READING

James 5: 13-20

CALL TO PRAYER

In His Time

Chancel Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

ANTHEM

Prayer

Chancel Choir

SERMON

Healing Prayers
Series: “How Do We Live”

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!

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.

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