

**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

Please update any change in information

Name(s) _____

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PRAYER CONCERNS

In your daily prayers, please pray for:

CONTINUING: Thomas Allen, Deanie Auton, Joey Barrier, Jennifer Belk, Laurie Anne Beyer, Caylor Brinkley, Jeremiah Buff, Lyn Campbell, Les Canipe, Greg Clarke, Rob Coles (son of Lyn Campbell), Shirley Combs, Elvie Cranford, Kathy Douglas, Greg Eldridge, Jane Finger, Barbara Fitzpatrick, Kim Fitzpatrick, Jim Fortenberry, Rev. Keiko Foster, Chloe Gibson, Billy Harkey, Donald Hartsell, Ed Hatley, Jayce Heff, Susan Henthorn, Denise Hobbs, LoisMary Hoehne, Dolly Jones, Jack Jones, Isla Keener, Danny Kirkpatrick, Randi Kolseth, Pat Lawing, Jim Love, Ginger Lowe, Judy Lowe, Mark Ludwig, Jerry McClure, Pat Maddux, Danny Nicholson, Patsy Nicholson, Suzy Otterman, Rob Owen, Joann Parker, Judy Payseur, Steve Peeler, Randy Ramsey, Linda Rudisill, Gracie Sceascea, Artie & Linda Shields, Randolph & Teresa Shives, Kenny Shrum, Laura Smallwood, Rhonda Swafford, Kevin Turner, Rev. Sarah Underwood, Jamie VanDohlen, Robin Wooten Wood, Rev. David Wyant,
NURSING FACILITIES: Jo Huss (Chestnut Ridge-Blowing Rock) Judy Komas (Terra Bella)
HOMEBOUND: Lou Beal, Winnon Cashion, Donna Connor Morris, Mary Robinson

THOSE SERVING YOU TODAY

MINISTERS:	All Members of First UMC
LITURGIST:	Mike Owen
GREETERS:	Charles Stevens & Michael Powers
ACOLYTE:	Owen Krech
HEAD USHER:	Carl Henline
MEDIA TECHS:	Tim Leonard, Ron Metzger & Thurman Melton
PEW KEEPERS:	Dianne Putnam
ROVER:	Rosemary Leonard
VALET:	Keith Dedmond

STAFF OF FIRST UMC

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PRESCHOOL DIR.	Kristen Willis	preschool@fumclincolnton.com

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



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

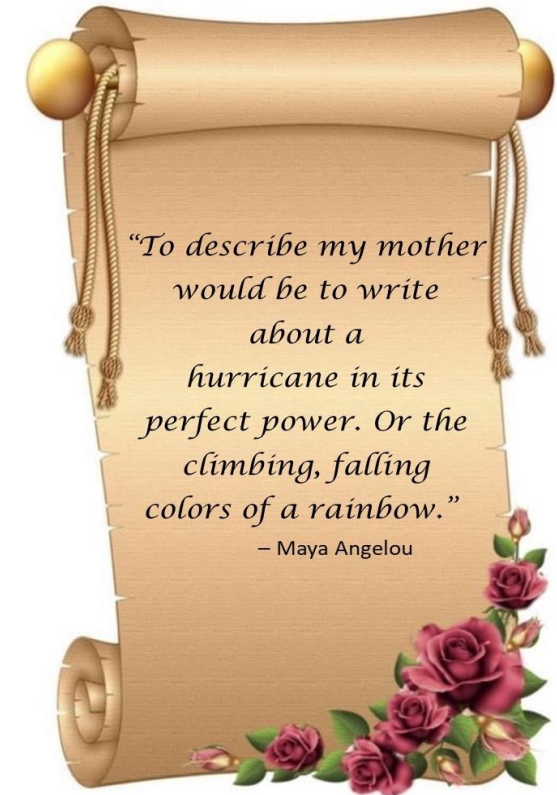
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**First United Methodist Church
Lincolnton**

Love God. Love All. Be Like Jesus.



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