

**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) _____

Name(s) _____

Street Address _____

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PRAYER CONCERNS

In your daily prayers, please pray for:

NEW: Family of Donna Morris, Ron Ballard, Jennifer Ellis
CONTINUING: Thomas Allen, Deanie Auton, Laurie Anne Beyer, Caylor Brinkley, Sally Brookins, Jeremiah Buff, Lyn Campbell, Les Canipe, Tiffany Chambers, Greg Clarke, Rob Coles (son of Lyn Campbell), Robbie Combs, Elvie Cranford, Jody Cronland, Ayron Dorsey, Dale Dorsey, Greg Eldridge, Ronnie Engle, Jane Finger, Barbara Fitzpatrick, Kim Fitzpatrick, Steve Ford, Jim Fortenberry, Rev. Keiko Foster, Dale Gilmore, Donald Hartsell, Ed Hatley, Jayce Heff, Susan Henthorn, Denise Hobbs, Serhiy Ivanenko, Mark Johnson, Dolly Jones, Jack Jones, Isla Keener, Danny Kirkpatrick, Randi Kolseth, Jim Love, Ginger Lowe, Judy Lowe, Mark Ludwig, Pat Maddux, Faye Morris, Danny Nicholson, Patsy Nicholson, Suzy Otterman, Betty Parker, Joann Parker, Steve & Suzanne Peeler, Mike Politano, Randy Ramsey, Rachel Roy, Linda Rudisill, Gracie Sceascea, Earl Scronce (Cindy Hatley's father), Shedlass Family, Linda Shields, Randolph & Teresa Shives, Kenny Shrum, Anna Shuford, Peggie Shuford, Laura Smallwood, Nick Swafford, Rhonda Swafford, Liz Strachan, Doris Taylor, Harold & Cindy Towery, Kevin Turner, Rev. Sarah Underwood, Jamie VanDohlen, Veofa Wilfong, Margret Wetz, Rev. David Wyant
HOMEBOUND: Lou Beal, Winnon Cashion, Mary Robinson

THOSE SERVING YOU TODAY

MINISTERS:	All Members of First UMC
LITURGIST:	Michael Powers
GREETERS:	Dianne Putnam
ACOLYTE:	Owen Krech
HEAD USHER:	Carl Henline
MEDIA TECHS:	Tim Leonard, Ron Metzger & Thurman Melton
PEW KEEPERS:	Betty Allen & Beverly Beal
ROVER:	Rosalind Welder
VALET:	Jerry Park

STAFF OF FIRST UMC

PASTOR	Rev. Sarah Underwood	sunderwood@wnccumc.net
DIR. OF MINISTRIES	Robbie Combs	firstumcministries@gmail.com
DIR. OF MUSIC	Joanna Underwood	junmor61@gmail.com
ORGANIST/PIANIST	Neil Underwood	nunderwoodband@gmail.com
FACILITIES MGR.	Steve Herman	paherman@charter.net
PRESCHOOL DIR.	Kristen Willis	preschool@fumclincolnton.com
PARISH NURSE	Betty Parker	bparker2787@gmail.com
LYNC DIR.	Ashlyn Rhyne	ashlyn.e.rhyne@gmail.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.

**THE
Calling
of the First
Disciples**

Matthew 4:18-22



ANNOUNCEMENTS

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2026 FLOWER CALENDAR: The new flower calendar for 2026 is posted outside the church office. If you wish to put flowers in the church for any Sunday, please write it on the flower chart.

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- *We need volunteers to deliver meals for LINC

If you have time to spare and want to volunteer in any of these areas, please give us a call at 704-732-0383.

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