

**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**

Please update any change in information

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**PRAYER CONCERNS**

**In your daily prayers, please pray for:**

*NEW: Family of Carroll Heavner, Terry Bruner, Hilda Wilfong, Jackson Sigmon, Charlie Grigg*  
*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), Elvie Cranford, Jody Cronland, Ayron Dorsey, Dale Dorsey, Greg Eldridge, Jennifer Ellis, 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, 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, Nancy Rhyne. Rachel Roy, Linda Rudisill, Gracie Sceascea, Earl Scronce (Cindy Hatley's father), Shedlass Family, Linda Shields, Randolph & Teresa Shives, Kenny Shrum, Anna Shuford, Laura Smallwood, Nick Swafford, Rhonda Swafford, 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*  
*CARE FACILITIES: Ron Ballard (The Greens)*

**THOSE SERVING YOU TODAY**

<b>MINISTERS:</b>	All Members of First UMC
<b>LITURGIST:</b>	Kathy Douglas
<b>GREETERS:</b>	Dianne Putnam
<b>ACOLYTE:</b>	Owen Krech
<b>HEAD USHER:</b>	Carl Henline
<b>MEDIA TECHS:</b>	Tim Leonard, Ron Metzger & Thurman Melton
<b>PEW KEEPERS:</b>	Kathy Valentine
<b>ROVER:</b>	Carl Henline
<b>VALET:</b>	Steve Cain

**STAFF OF FIRST UMC**

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<b>PARISH NURSE</b>	Betty Parker	bparker2787@gmail.com
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**First United Methodist Church  
Lincolnton**

**Love God. Love All. Be Like Jesus.**



*First*  
**Sunday  
in Lent**





## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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\*\*We need a box truck driver for the 2nd & 4th and possibly 5th Wednesday starting in February to do food pick ups.

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