

†HYMN 171

There's Something About That Name

THAT NAME

†THE GOSPEL LESSON— Matthew 17:1-9

Pew Bible Pages 18-19

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

THE SERMON

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (in unison)

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Imaker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Following each petition, the congregation responds: **Hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER (in unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING

The congregation is invited to register attendance
by signing the registries found on each pew.

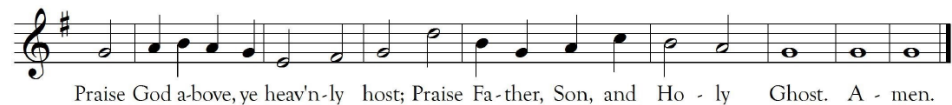
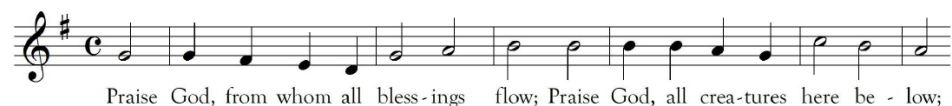
OFFERTORY

Intermezzo

Robert W. Thygerson
(1921-2017)

†AT THE PRESENTATION, DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH



†PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

†HYMN 154

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

CORONATION

†DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

VOLUNTARY

Crown Him with Many Crowns

arr. Anna Laura Page
(b. 1933)

†The congregation stands.

All are invited to the fellowship hall for refreshments and time together.

THOSE LEADING TODAY'S SERVICE

The Reverend Dr. Mark Conforti Senior Pastor
The Reverend Stacey Lundy Associate Pastor
Mr. Steve Sherriff Lector
Mr. Steven Aycock Interim Organist and Music Director
Mr. Erik-Thomas Hinson Interim Organist and Music Director

Chancel Choir

THOSE SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTE John McCoy
ALTAR GUILD Anne Hedrick
OUTSIDE GREETERS Genevieve & Jim Martin
DOORSTEP VISITORS Gloria Matthews
USHERS Donald Hylton, Jerry Dymond,
Susan Fraley and Steve Schoch
SECURITY Kevin Pelt & Alan Schroeder
NURSERY Melissa Conrad & Jenny Nussman

THOSE SERVING MARCH 1, 2020

ACOLYTE Austin Hedrick
ALTAR GUILD Nancy Sherriff
OUTSIDE GREETERS Laura & Dave Collins
DOORSTEP VISITORS Mo & KC Culler
USHERS Donald Hylton, Jerry Dymond,
Susan Fraley and Steve Schoch
SECURITY Court Drake & Jim Martin
NURSERY Genevieve Martin & Kathi Welborn

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Lunch Bunch**, an informal gathering following worship, dines today at Bangkok Downtown, 112 W. Innes St. All are welcome.

Midweek at First Meal is at 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. **Reservations are required by Monday at 5:00 pm.** Children eat free. This week's menu: *spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad, garlic bread, dessert.*

SAVE THE DATE

Visioning Days will happen **today, February 23** and **Sunday, March 22**, 1:30 - 5:30 pm both days. All church members are encouraged to participate, especially committees and ministry team members. These will be interactive and engaging sessions about the church's future. Please make every effort to attend **both** days.

Ash Wednesday is **February 26**. We will have a service in the sanctuary at **6:15** after the Midweek@First meal, and continue with prayer services each Wednesday in Lent in the Chapel at 6:15.

Our rescheduled **Women's Beach Retreat** is **March 13-15!** Lodging is \$135 for this weekend of fellowship and centering. Find more details and register at fumcsalisbury.org or see Pastor Stacey.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

"With these hands" will meet Monday, **February 24** in the fellowship hall at 10 AM. Any and all are welcome to join us. Please contact Anne Goodman at 704-633-7984 for further details.

Anyone wishing to dedicate **altar flowers** for March 29, please contact Pam Cordts at 704-633-0917 or pcordts@carolina.rr.com.

The **Church Office** needs volunteers to help at the volunteer desk. If you can help on Monday and/or Friday afternoons from 1:00pm to 5:00pm, please call Becca at 704-636-3121, ext. 102. The substitute list for the front office also needs to be replenished so if you can help out, let Becca know.

Attendance for February 16, 2020

8:30am 52
11:00am 147

THE FLOWERS ADORNING THE ALTAR ARE PRESENTED TO THE GLORY OF
GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF
ANDY'S PARENTS, MARY & ARTHUR SWANSON,
AND KARLA'S PARENTS, ALVERIA & ALBERT MEYER.
GIVEN BY KARLA & ANDY SWANSON.

Our upcoming Visioning Days today, February 23 and Sunday, March 22 will be valuable time spent together imagining our church's future. Please be in prayer leading up to these days and beyond. Ask yourself: *Why does God call First United Methodist Church to be here in ministry today?*

FINANCE AT A GLANCE

| <i>As of 02/16/2020</i> | 2020 |
|-------------------------|----------------|
| YTD Income | \$ 98,074.45 |
| Less YTD Expenses | \$ (72,185.09) |
| Sub Total | \$ 25,889.36 |
| Cash on hand 12/31/2019 | \$ 23,750.70 |
| Cash on hand 02/16/2020 | \$ 49,640.06 |

FIRST TIME GUESTS are invited to stop at the Welcome Table in the Narthex as you leave to sign our guest register. Thank you for worshipping with us today and please join us again soon.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP BAGS AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN 3 YEARS-5TH GRADE. A children's bulletin that parallels the sermon and Pockets Devotional magazine for children are in the bag. This is a wonderful way to share in worship with your child!

CHILDCARE IS AVAILABLE for all children through age four for our services of worship. Pagers are available for the family worshipping.

COPIES OF THE ECCLESIA, our church newsletter, are available in both entrances to the Sanctuary. If you are a guest today, please take a copy and learn about the many opportunities at First United Methodist Church.

HEARING AID DEVICES AND LARGE PRINT BULLETINS are available from the ushers.

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, February 23
 8:00am Boy Scouts—bus
 8:30 Service of Worship—Nave
 9:45 Sunday School
 11:00 Service of Worship—Nave
 1:30pm Visionary Session—Fellowship Hall
 2:00 Women's Bible Study—B102
 5:30 Club 45 & Salisbury Youth—Fellowship Hall

Monday, February 24
 10:00am "With these hands" —Fellowship Hall
 6:00pm Cub Scouts—Fellowship Hall
 Girl Scouts
 ASC, CDC, SDC Board Meeting—B110
 7:00 Boy Scouts—Scout Room

Tuesday, February 25
 10:00am Staff Meeting—Harter Office Suite

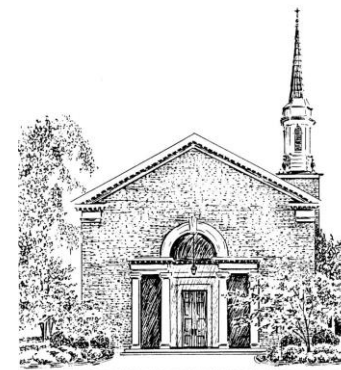
Wednesday, February 26
 Ash Wednesday
 2:00pm Deadline for Bulletin announcements
 5:30 Midweek@FIRST—Fellowship Hall
 6:15 Ash Wednesday Service—Sanctuary
 Kids Connection—B101
 The Casting Queens—B110
 6:30 Way of Forgiveness—B102
 7:00 Chanel Choir—Music Suite

Thursday, February 27
 7:00am Men's Prayer Breakfast—offsite

Friday, February 28
 8:00am Donuts with Dad—Preschool 3's—Fellowship Hall

Saturday, February 29

Sunday, March 1
 8:30 Service of Worship—Nave
 9:45 Sunday School
 11:00 Service of Worship—Nave
 12:15pm Open Arms Ministry—offsite
 2:00 Women's Bible Study—B102
 5:30 Club 45 & Salisbury Youth—Fellowship Hall



First United
 Methodist Church

SALISBURY, NORTH CAROLINA
 ESTABLISHED 1783

THE MISSION OF FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IS TO MAKE AND NURTURE
 CHRISTIAN DISCIPLES THROUGH THE PRESENCE AND POWER OF GOD.

THE ORDER OF DIVINE SERVICE
 Transfiguration Sunday
 February 23, 2020 – 8:30 in the morning

GREETING

VOLUNTARY Processional of Joy Hal H. Hopson
 (b. 1933)

†CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)
 Blessed be your name, O God, forever.
You reveal deep and mysterious things;
 You are light and in you is no darkness.
Our darkness is passing away and already the true light is shining.

†HYMN 327 Crown Him with Many Crowns DIADEMATA

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)
Glorious God, you are all wisdom and a lamp to our feet, yet we fail to listen to you and neglect to follow your guidance. Forgive us, heal us, and lead us on, that we may walk in your ways and be happy in your refuge; in Jesus our Christ we pray. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (responsively)
The good news of our faith is this: if we call upon God we will be answered and forgiven. That promise gives us peace and joy.
Glory be to God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

SUNG RESPONSE Ancient Sources

All praise to God, the Three-in-One, all glory to our Christ the Son, and
 to the Spirit Holy Power, we give our thanks in this glad hour.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION
God our light, make us attentive to your Word as to a lamp shining in a dark place, that seeing your truth we may live faithful lives until that great day dawns and the morning star rises in our hearts. Amen.

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