

MOMENT WITH CHILDREN

Children preschool through 3rd grade are invited to Children's Church at this time.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION (in unison)

O Lord, may the words of your mouth be our daily bread, and may the leading of your Spirit become our way; in Jesus' name. Amen.

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON—Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Pew Bible Pages 2-3

†HYMN 624

Bread of the World

EUCCHARISTIC HYMN

†THE GOSPEL LESSON—Matthew 4:1-11

Pew Bible Page 3

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

THE SERMON

OFFERING

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

OFFERTORY

Turn Thy Face From My Sins

Thomas Atwood (1765 - 1838)

†AT THE PRESENTATION, DOXOLOGY Glory Be to the Father

UMH 70

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.

†THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (responsively)

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The Celebrant continues with the spoken Sanctus...

And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join with them singing:

†SANCTUS, Choir & Congregation

Musical notation for the Sanctus, including lyrics: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, We offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, In union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again! The Celebrant continues... All honor and glory is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. Amen.

†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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Allergen-free elements are available at the front right station.

HYMN 614

For the Bread which You Have Broken

FOR THE BREAD

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

†HYMN HYMN 365

Grace Greater than our Sin

MOODY

†DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee

J. S. Bach (1685 - 1750)

†Congregation, standing as able.

THOSE LEADING TODAY'S SERVICE

The Reverend Dr. Mark Conforti
The Reverend Stacey Lundy
Mr. Steven Aycock
Mr. Erik-Thomas Hinson
Mr. Cory Menees

Senior Pastor
Associate Pastor
Interim Organist and Music Director
Interim Organist and Music Director
Lector

Chancel Choir

THE FLOWERS ADORNING THE ALTAR ARE PRESENTED TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN HONOR OF OUR FATHER, WAYNE AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR MOTHER, ANNE. GIVEN BY LAURA, KEVIN & FAMILY.

THOSE SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES Lindsey & Taylor Conrad, Autumn Walser
COMMUNION SERVERS Gloria Matthews, Jeff Matthews, Larry Cordts, Betsy Fazia, Brian Fazia, Bill Noell
ALTAR GUILD Laura Koontz
OUTSIDE GREETER Caroline & Bob Johnsen
DOORSTEP VISITOR Mo & KC Culler
USHERS Giles Goodman - Captain, Ken Hollar, Cindy Martin, Ben Mastro, Todd Steinman, Andy Storey, Jason Walser
SECURITY Court Drake & Jim Martin
NURSERY Genevieve Martin & Kathi Welborn

THOSE SERVING MARCH 8, 2020

ACOLYTE Olivia Koontz, Evan & Will Koontz
ALTAR GUILD Laura Koontz
OUTSIDE GREETERS Caroline & Bob Johnsen
DOORSTEP VISITOR Gloria Matthews
USHERS Giles Goodman - Captain, Ken Hollar, Cindy Martin, Ben Mastro, Todd Steinman, Andy Storey, Jason Walser
SECURITY Phillip Floyd & Neil Pierce
NURSERY Beverly Gobble & Tish Hatley

Our LENTEN Banner depicts the cross of Christ in white. It stands out against the darkness of the purple, ash gray, and other somber colors, representing pain, suffering, mourning, and penance. The two black crosses of the thieves crucified with Christ are in the background. In contrast, the lighter colors around the cross of Christ represent the hope that comes from the blood of Christ, shed for the healing of the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lunch Bunch, an informal gathering following worship, dines today at El Patron, 1030 Freeland Dr. 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: Donna's chicken, rice, beans, roll Renee's cole slaw, chocolate pie.

All High School Seniors - Remember that April 15, 2020 is the deadline for scholarship applications.

SAVE THE DATE

The Second Visioning Day will happen on 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.

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

Peanut Butter, Jelly Drive! Salisbury Youth are collecting jars of peanut butter and jelly to be delivered to Rowan Helping Ministries Food Pantry as part of their 'Love Week' project. PB&J are some of the most requested items at RHM. 'Love Week' is a challenge amongst the youth to see how many loving things we can do for others in the span of a week. March 8-14 we are challenging ourselves to love our community. To join us do something nice for someone else, please donate PB&J. Donations of PB&J can be dropped off in the Missions Room by March 15.

On Sunday, **March 29, 2020**, the United Methodist Women will serve a **spaghetti luncheon and sponsor a bake sale** in Fellowship Hall from 11:00am to 1:00pm. Please make your reservation on the forms in the attendance register or at the UMW bulletin board. Proceeds will benefit local mission projects and 1st UMC youth missions.

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 23, 2020

8:30am	66
11:00am	199

FINANCE AT A GLANCE

As of 02/23/2020	2020
YTD Income	\$ 117,441.26
Less YTD Expenses	\$ (90,267.90)
Sub Total	\$ 27,173.36
Cash on hand 12/31/2019	\$ 23,750.70
Cash on hand 02/23/2020	\$ 50,924.06

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. Pagors 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, March 1

- 8:30am 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

Monday, March 2

- 10:00am Naomi Circle—B107 & Fellowship Hall
- 6:00pm Cub Scout Pack 422—Fellowship Hall
- Girl Scouts—Fellowship Hall
- Hannah Circle—B104
- 6:30 Susanna Circle—offsite
- 7:00 Boy Scouts—Scout Room

Tuesday, March 3

- 10:00 am Staff Meeting—Harter Office Suite
- 6:00pm SPRC—B110

Wednesday, March 4

- 2:00pm Deadline for Bulletin announcements
- 5:30 Midweek@First—Fellowship Hall
- 6:15 Lenten Prayer Service—Chapel
- Kids Connection—B101
- The Casting Queens—B110
- 7:00pm Chancel Choir—Music Suite

Thursday, March 5

- Friday, March 6
- World Day of Prayer
- 12:00pm Deadline for Ecclesia articles

Saturday, March 7

- Sunday, March 8
- 8:30 am Service of Worship—Nave
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Service of Worship—Nave
- 2:00 pm Usher Captain Meeting—B110
- 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 WITH HOLY COMMUNION

First Sunday in Lent
March 1, 2020 – 11:00 in the morning

GREETING

VOLUNTARY

I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ

J. S. Bach
(1685 - 1750)

†CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

People of God, on this wilderness journey, what will you eat?
The word of the Lord is our daily bread.
People of God, in this time of temptation, how will you live?
Our faith is in the faithfulness of God.
People of God, at this kingdom crossroad, whom will you serve?
We worship the Lord our God alone.

†HYMN 534

Be Still, My Soul

FINLANDIA

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

Merciful God, forgive us:

for closing ourselves to the driving of your Holy Spirit;
for choosing to live in the places of comfort rather than being led into the wilderness;
for letting fear of the person who is different rule our lives rather than letting your love for all people fill our hearts;
for our separation from one another in the Body of Christ;
for not trusting that you hold the future in your hands. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE (responsively)

Brothers and sisters, God is full of mercy and lovingkindness for us- even in the midst of temptation. Let us together proclaim the good news:
in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

SUNG RESPONSE

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First time: Choir Second time: Choir + Congregation