# SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The altar flowers are given
by Barbara Clay
to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of
her husband, John, on what would have been
their sixty-fourth wedding anniversary
and also in memory of her parents,
Arthur and Dorothy Schorr, who would have celebrated
their anniversary on October twenty-ninth.

To donate flowers, please contact Becky Kirtley at 252-331-3431.

#### LICENSES

Some music for our worship service is offered with permissions granted by One License A-784965.

# ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE Rev. Karen Easter-Bayne

Lead Pastor

Rev. Erin Yow Associate Pastor

Rev. Steven Coss Associate Pastor

Michael S. Brannon Director of Music

Chancel Choir; Lynn Killian, violin Musicians

> Alan Bowen Reader

**Gwen Wilkins**Altar Guild Volunteer

Gwen Wilkins, Bobby Wilkins, Phyllis Owens, Mike Owens Communion Servers

Jason Gardner; Keith Anderson Sound Technicians

### GIVING

To support the ministries and missions of First United Methodist Church, place a gift in the offering plate, give online through this QR code, send a check to the church, or give through regular bank drafts. Thank you for your generosity.



If you have not returned your 2025 Commitment Card, you may place it in the offering plate today, or in the deposit opening in the Finance Office.

# SEPTEMBER 2025 GIVING

Funds Needed - \$105, 833.00 Funds Received - \$54,101.29

## 2025 YTD GIVING

Funds Needed - \$952,497.00 Funds Received - \$794,052.44



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# FIRST

A warm welcome to

newcomers. Please

attendance register

all guests and

on your pew.

All persons are welcome at First

**United Methodist** 

Jesus Christ has

welcomed us into

the love and grace

of God. Our mission

is to change lives

of Jesus Christ.

At the chiming

of the Trinity, please silence your

mobile devices

and prepare your hearts

and minds

for worship.

and make disciples

Church, as

fill out the

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

OCTOBER 5, 2025

WORLD WIDE COMMUNION SUNDAY
SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



# **GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE**

CHIMING THE TRINITY

OPENING VOLUNTARY Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

**Todd Beaney** 

McKEE

† HYMN 548 In Christ There Is No East or West In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north;

but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts everywhere their high communion find; his service is the golden cord close binding humankind.

In Christ is neither Jew nor Greek, and neither slave nor free; both male and female heirs are made, and all are kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north; all Christly souls are one in him throughout the whole wide earth.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God.

we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart.

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will,

we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love,

we have not loved our neighbors,

and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

All pray in silence.

Hear the good news!

Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God! Amen.

† Please rise in body or in spirit † RESPONSORIAL HYMN 71

Glory Be to the Father

**GREATOREX** 

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

#### PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

**†** THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 4:14-30

RESPONSE TO THE LESSON

The word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The ushers will

direct you to

receive Holy

Communion.

Gluten-free bread is available; ask your

server if needed.

If you are unable to walk to the altar, let

the usher know and

you will be served

at your seat. All are

Communion hymns

invited to join in

while others are

being served.

singing the

Good News For All

Rev. Karen Easter-Bayne

#### RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Invitation to Offering

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Be Thou My Vision

Tom Trenney

+ RESPONSORIAL HYMN 95

Doxology

OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

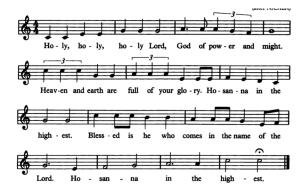
The Lord be with you.

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 LORD'S PRAYER

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.

Hymn 620

One Bread, One Body

ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

Refrain

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

Gentile or Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more. Refrain

Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all. Refrain

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one, for all. Refrain

HYMN 624 Bread of the World

**EUCHARISTIC HYMN** 

**GELOBT SEI GOTT** 

Bread of the world in mercy broken, wine of the soul in mercy shed, by whom the words of life were spoken, and in whose death our sins are dead:

Look on the heart by sorrow broken, look on the tears by sinners shed; and be thy feast to us the token that by thy grace our souls are fed.

### SENDING FORTH

+ HYMN 630 Become to Us the Living Bread
Become to us the living bread by which the Christian life is fed,
renewed, and greatly comforted: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Become the never-failing wine, the spring of joy that shall incline our hearts to bear the covenant sign: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

May Christians all with one accord unite around the sacred board to praise your holy name, O Lord: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

- **†** DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING
- **†** CLOSING VOLUNTARY How Can I Keep from Singing? arr. Howard Helvey

As our time of worship comes to an end, our time of service begins; we depart to be the church in the world.

The closing voluntary is offered as a the final act of praise of God. Go forth as the music ends to continue praising the Lord with your life.