

## SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given by Madeleine and John Duncan to the Glory of God and in memory of their fathers, Ted Campbell and Edgar Duncan.

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

## LICENSES

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## ASSISTING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

**Rev. Karen Easter-Bayne**  
*Lead Pastor*

**Rev. Erin Yow**  
*Associate Pastor*

**Rev. Steve Coss**  
*Associate Pastor*

**Michael S. Brannon**  
*Director of Music*

**Jennifer Gompf**  
*Acolyte*

**Dennis Sanders**  
*Cross Bearer*

**Chancel Choir; Lynn Kitts, piano**  
*Musicians*

**Jennifer Gompf**  
*Reader*

**Louisa Goebel**  
*Altar Guild Volunteer*

**Jason Gardner, Keith Anderson**  
*Video and Sound Technicians*

## GIVING

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



### MAY 2026 GIVING

Funds Needed - \$107,250.00  
Funds Received - \$114,671.50

### 2026 YTD GIVING

Funds Needed - \$536,250.00  
Funds Received - \$570,262.35



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A warm welcome to all guests and newcomers. Please fill out the attendance register on your pew. All persons are welcome at First United Methodist Church, as Jesus Christ has welcomed us into the love and grace of God. Our mission is to change lives and make disciples of Jesus Christ.

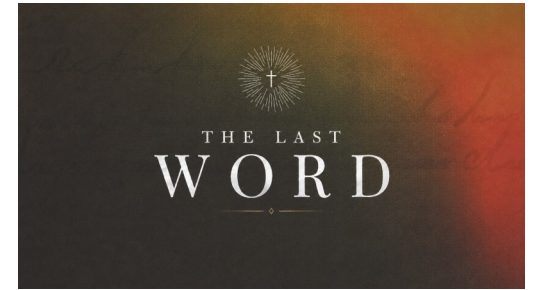
At the chiming of the Trinity, please silence your mobile devices and prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

† Please rise in body or in spirit.

# FIRST

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

JUNE 14, 2026  
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



## GATHERING IN GOD'S PRESENCE

Chiming the Trinity

Opening Voluntary

Reverie

Debussy

† Hymn 127

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more;  
feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;  
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.  
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield;  
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;  
death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.  
Songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee;  
I will ever give to thee.

† Affirmation of Faith

A Modern Affirmation

Hymnal #885

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:  
We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power, and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.  
We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unending grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need.  
We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen.

†Responsorial Hymn 71

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.

Reflections on Pastor Karen's Ministry

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

†Scripture Lesson

John 15:12-17; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13

The word of God for the people of God.  
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Remember

Rev. Karen Easter-Bayne

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

Moment of Reflection

Invitation to Offering

Anthem

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Maureen Howell

Great is thy faithfulness, O God, my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
As thou has been, thou forever wilt be.  
Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.  
Oh Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed, thy hand hath provided;  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.  
**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!  
Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed, thy hand hath provided;  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.**  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.

The congregation  
is invited to sing  
stanza 3 along  
with the choir.

† Please rise in  
body or in spirit.

†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.

Pastoral Prayer

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

**SENDING FORTH**

†Hymn 128

He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought

HE LEADETH ME

He leadeth me: O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught!  
Whate'er I do, where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me.

Refrain

He leadeth me, he leadeth me, by his own hand he leadeth me;  
his faithful follower I would be, for by his hand he leadeth me.

Sometimes mid scenes of deepest gloom, sometimes where Eden's bowers bloom,  
by waters still, o'er troubled sea, still 'tis his hand that leadeth me. *Refrain*

Lord, I would place my hand in thine, nor ever murmur nor repine;  
content, whatever lot I see, since 'tis my God that leadeth me. *Refrain*

And when my task on earth is done, when by thy grace the victory's won,  
e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since God through Jordan leadeth me. *Refrain*

†Dismissal with Blessing

†Choral Response

The Lord Bless You and Keep You

John Rutter

Closing Voluntary

Fanfare

John Cook

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 the  
final act of praise  
of God. Go forth  
as the music  
ends to continue  
praising the Lord  
with your life.

† Please rise in  
body or in spirit.