

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given
by Madeleine and John Duncan
to the Glory of God
and in honor of their fifty-fifth wedding anniversary on the 20th.
To donate flowers, please contact Becky Kirtley at 252-331-3431.

LICENSES

Some music for our worship experience is offered with express
permissions granted by One License A-734965.

LEADING IN TODAY’S WORSHIP SERVICE

Rev. Anita Sain
Lead Pastor

Rev. Erin Yow
Associate Pastor

Rev. Steve Coss
Associate Pastor

Michael S. Brannon
Director of Music

Chancel Choir
Musicians

Greg Turnage
Acolyte

Dr. Leslie Turnage
Cross Bearer

Rev. Larry Harvey
Reader

Mike Owens, Marcie Burlett, Anne Bethea
Greeters and Ushers

Becky Kirtley
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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.



2026 MTD GIVING

Budgeted Funds - \$115,583.33
Actual Funds - \$82,255.83

2026 YTD GIVING

Budgeted Funds - \$809,083.31
Actual Funds - \$756,826.98



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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.

Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the
Spirit is love, joy,
peace, patience,
kindness, goodness,
faithfulness,
gentleness, and self
-control. There is no
law against things
like this.

† Please rise in
body or in spirit.

FIRST
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
AUGUST 16, 2026
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



GATHERING IN GOD’S PRESENCE

Chiming the Trinity

Opening Voluntary I Love to Tell the Story Dale Wood

†Hymn 521 I Want Jesus to Walk with Me SOJOURNER

I want Jesus to walk with me.
I want Jesus to walk with me.
All along my pilgrim journey,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

In my trials, Lord, walk with me.
In my trials, Lord, walk with me.
When my heart is almost breaking,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

When I’m troubled, Lord, walk with me.
When I’m troubled, Lord, walk with me.
When my head is bowed in sorrow,
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me.

†Affirmation of Faith A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada Hymnal #881

We are not alone, we live in God’s world.
We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made
flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.
We trust in God.
We are called to be the church: to celebrate God’s presence, to love and serve others, to seek
justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.
In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.
We are not alone.
Thanks be to God. Amen.

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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.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

New Testament Lesson

I Thessalonians 5:12-24

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

Sermon

Summer Fruit: Living the SWEET Life — PEACE

Rev. Anita Sain

Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against things like this.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

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Hymn 431

Let There Be Peace on Earth

WORLD PEACE

Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me;
let there be peace on earth, the peace that was meant to be.
With God our creator, children all are we.
Let us walk with each other in perfect harmony.

Let peace begin with me; let this be the moment now.
With every step I take, let this be my solemn vow:
to take each moment and live each moment in peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth, and let it begin with me.

Invitation to Offering

Anthem

O Day of Peace that Dimly Shines

arr. Jantz A. Black

O day of peace that dimly shines Through all our hopes and prayers and dreams,
Guide us to justice, truth, and love, Delivered from our selfish schemes.
May swords of hate fall from our hands, Our hearts from envy find release,
Till by God’s grace our warring world Shall see Christ’s promised reign of peace.
Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the fierce devour the small;
As beasts and cattle calmy graze a little child shall lead them all.
Then enemies shall learn to love, all creatures find their true accord;
the hope of peace shall be fulfilled, for all the earth shall know the Lord.

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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.

✚ Please rise in body or in spirit.

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

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Hymn 156

I Love to Tell the Story

HANKEY

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know ‘tis true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do. *Refrain*

Refrain
I love to tell the story, ‘twill be my theme in glory,
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

I love to tell the story; more wonderful it seems
than all the golden fancies of all our golden dreams.
I love to tell the story, it did so much for me;
and that is just the reason I tell it now to thee. *Refrain*

I love to tell the story; ’tis pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it, more wonderfully sweet.
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
the message of salvation from God’s own holy Word. *Refrain*

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
‘twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. *Refrain*

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Dismissal with Blessing

Closing Voluntary

And Again I Say, Rejoice!

Brenda Portman

Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against things like this.

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.