

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given
by Grace Vinyard
to the Glory of God
and in honor of what would be
the sixtieth wedding anniversary of Grace and Bill.

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

Susan Slingluff
Acolyte

Dennis Sanders
Cross Bearer

Rev. Carol Cannon
Reader

Greg Turnage, Dr. Leslie Turnage, Sissi Carroll,
Grace Vineyard, Larry Appleby
Greeters and Ushers

Barbara Clay
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.



2026 AUGUST GIVING

Budgeted Funds - \$115,584
Actual Funds - \$105,905

2026 YTD GIVING

Budgeted Funds - \$924,670
Actual Funds - \$863,038

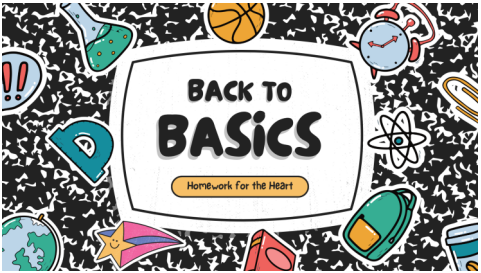


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A warm welcome to
all guests and
newcomers. Please
fill out the
attendance register
on your pew.
All persons are
welcome at First
United Methodist
Church, as
Jesus Christ has
welcomed us into
the love and grace
of God. Our mission
is to change lives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

† Please rise in
body or in spirit.

FIRST
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
SEPTEMBER 13, 2026
SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Chiming the Trinity

Opening Voluntary Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling arr. Wilbur Held

†Hymn 528 Nearer, My God, to Thee BETHANY

Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee! E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me,
still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to thee;
nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

Though like the wanderer, the sun gone down, darkness be over me, my rest a stone;
yet in my dreams I'd be nearer, my God, to thee;
nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

There let the way appear, steps unto heaven; all that thou sendest me, in mercy given;
angels to beckon me nearer, my God, to thee;
nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

Then, with my waking thoughts bright with thy praise, out of my stony griefs Bethel I'll raise;
so by my woes to be nearer, my God, to thee;
nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

Or it, on joyful wing cleaving the sky, sun, moon, and stars forgot, upward I fly,
still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to thee;
nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee!

†Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed Hymnal #881

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker 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.

✚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.

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

✚Hymn 2128
Come and Find the Quiet Center
BEACH SPRING
Come and find the quiet center in the crowded life we lead,
find the room for hope to enter, find the frame where we are freed:
Clear the chaos and the clutter, clear our eyes that we can see
all the things that really matter, be at peace, and simply be.

Silence is a friend who claims us, cools the heat and slows the pace,
God it is who speaks and names us, knows our being, touches base,
making space within our thinking, lifting shades to show the sun,
raising courage when we're shrinking, finding scope for faith begun.

In the Spirit let us travel, open to each other's pain,
let our loves and fears unravel, celebrate the space we gain:
There's a place for deepest dreaming, there's a time for heart to care,
in the Spirit's lively scheming there is always room to spare.

Invitation to Offering

Anthem
Love Looks Like This
Tom Trenney
Storage, Agape, Philia, Amor, Love.
What does love look like? It has the hands to help others,
and the feet to hasten to the poor and needy.
Love has eyes to see misery and want.
Love has ears to hear our sighs and sorrows.
What does love look like? Love looks like this.
Love

✚ 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.

Scripture Lessons
Psalm 63:1-8 Luke 10:38-42
The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon
Go to Homeroom!
Show up and Start each day with Jesus
Rev. Anita Sain

✚Hymn 152
I Sing the Almighty Power of God
FOREST GREEN
I sing the almighty power of God, that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
the moon shines full at God's command, and all the stars obey.

I sing the goodness of the Lord, who filled the earth with food,
who formed the creatures thru the Word, and then pronounced them good.
Lord, how thy wonders are displayed, where'er I turn my eye,
if I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky.

There's not a plant or flower below, but makes thy glories known,
and clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from thy throne;
while all that borrows life from thee is ever in thy care;
and everywhere that we can be, thou, God, art present there.

✚Dismissal with Blessing

Closing Voluntary
Postlude on "Darwall's 148th"
Brenda Portman



**DON'T FORGET
YOU R HEART
HOMEWORK!**

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.