



**WELCOME!!!
WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!**

We welcome each of you to our worship services today. PLEASE sign the attendance pad and pass it along to your neighbor. Visitors, please include your address and phone number.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES & TEACHERS

Church, 1st Floor

Chapel: Pathfinders Bible Study - Michele Newton

Conference Room: The Upper Room - Doug & Michele Insko

Church, 2nd Floor

Watson Class - Larry Price, Kent Anderson, Snookie Parker, & Lindy Newton

Hardison Discussion Class - Dave Williams, Will Winslow & Woody Harrison

Blackburn Education Building

Room 104 3 & 4 Year Olds - Teachers - Ginger Bisette, John & Stephanie Robl, Renee Pearson, Shelley Gibson

Room 106 Infants, Toddlers & 2-Year Olds

Room 108 The Bradshaw Class (older adults) - Teachers - Bob Bergland, Charles Robl, Bill Presnell & Susan Barnes

Room 203 Young Adult Class - Leaders - Emily Aycock, Shelley Gibson, & Suzette Gibson

Room 201 4th & 5th Grade Class - Debbie Bradley, Allison Robl, Suzette Gibson, Alicia Gregory

Room 206 2nd & 3rd Grade Class - Teachers - Ellen Barkley, Anne & Gary Benton, Ginny Eagles, Ginger & Mark Godwin

Room 205 Kindergarten & 1st Grade Class - Teachers - Noelle Halverson, Anne & David Clark, Jenny & Reggie Harrison, Heather Lasitter

Epworth Building

Middle School & High School Teachers - Alysun Skinner, Henrienne Allegood, Ben Eagles, Mandy & Wes Berry, & Susan Barnes

Woman to Woman Teacher - Cathy Heimer

Transforming Lives Class (TLC) - Teacher - Lorie Halverson



First United Methodist Church

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The Reverend Charles J. Robl III, Associate Pastor
Dr. William M. Presnell, Pastor Emeritus
Mr. Joel Gay, Director of Music Ministries
Mrs. Alysun Skinner, Director of Youth Ministries
Mrs. Vickie Franks, Director of Children's Ministries
Mr. Andy Michaud, Director of Communications
Mrs. Lorie Daniel, Director of Weekday Preschool
Mrs. Fran Stafford, Financial Secretary
Mrs. Jo Shackelford, Church Secretary
Mr. Boris Farmer, Custodian

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May 6, 2018
Sixth Sunday of Easter

"Invite, Inspire, Ignite"

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The Worship of God

Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:45 Worship Hour

GATHERING

+SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

OPENING VOLUNTARY

+HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 369 "Blessed Assurance" UMH

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "The Apostles' Creed" UMH 881

+GLORIA PATRI UMH 71

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MORNING MESSAGE "The Love of Jesus" Reverend Presnell

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY (Please sign and pass the attendance pad.)

+DOXOLOGY UMH 95

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING UMH 12

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NO. 624 "Bread of the World" UMH

NO. 617 "I Come With Joy" UMH

NO. 614 "For the Bread Which You Have Broken" UMH

+HYMN OF DEDICATION NO. 557 "Blessed Be the Tie That Binds" UMH

+DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

+CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

+A TIME OF SILENCE

+CLOSING VOLUNTARY

Make plans to join us in Asbury Hall on Wednesday, **May 9th, at 7 p.m.**, to hear Professor of Youth Ministry, Dr. Duffy Robbins (Grove City College in PA), speak on the topic, "**You Were Never My Age!**" **Changes in the Landscape of Teenage Life** as he probes questions such as, "Is life so different now?" and "What makes the teenage years so tough?" **Tickets are \$5 at the door. RSVP to alysunskinner@fumcwilson.org.**

Graduating from high school, college, or graduate school? We would love to recognize you in our **Graduation Sunday bulletin on June 3rd**. Please send the following information by **Thursday, May 24th** to joshackelford@fumcwilson.org: student's full name, recent photo (send via jpeg), parent's names, name of school graduating from, plans following graduation (college attending, branch of service, work, etc.). College / graduate students - indicate name of your degree (Bachelor of Science in ____, Master of Education, etc.) and plans following graduation.

Motoring Methodists will visit the gardens at the Executive Mansion in Raleigh on Thursday, May 31st. We will leave the church parking lot at 9:15 for a 10:30 guided tour. We must provide a list of those attending two weeks in advance. Reserve your space by May 16th by calling Connie Wood at 237-0649 or texting Karen Blume at 230-5299. After the tour we will have lunch at 18 Seaboard.



Vacation Bible School is June 18th-22nd, from 9:00 to 12:00. Register your child on the children's page of our church website: <http://fumcwilson.org/ministries/children>. We are in need of volunteers! Join us for an awesome experience watching children learn about God and grow in their faith. Contact Vickie at vickiebfranks@fumcwilson.org or call 237-6121.

May 20th - "Sweet Treats for Teachers": All children's and youth Sunday School teachers are invited to join us on the playground during Sunday School hour.



MUSIC NOTES

This morning we thank our Chancel Choir for their beautiful anthem, and for their faithfulness in serving God each week as they lead us in worship

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, MAY 6

8:45 Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary
9:00 Contemporary Worship Service - Asbury Hall
10:00 Sunday School / Confirmation Class
11:00 Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary
5:15 Children's Choir- Blackburn Building
5:15 Youth - Epworth Building

MONDAY, MAY 7

TUESDAY, MAY 8

10:00 Staff Meeting - Conference Room
5:30 Communion - Wesley Chapel

WEDNESDAY, MAY 9

6:15 Carillon Ringers - Handbell Room
7:00 Duffy Robbins Seminar - Asbury Hall
7:15 Chancel Choir - Choir Room

THURSDAY, MAY 10

8:00 Preschool End of Year Celebration - Gillette Park
10:30 Upper Room Prayer Intercessors - Charles' Office
6:30 Finance - Conference Room

FRIDAY, MAY 11

SATURDAY, MAY 12

Looking Ahead . . .

Sunday, May 20 11:00 - Confirmation Sunday
4:00 - Evensong - Sanctuary
Sunday, May 27 Begin Summer Worship Schedule
~ 9:00 - Contemporary Worship
~ 10:00 - Sunday School
~ 11:00 - Traditional Worship
Sunday, June 3 11:00 Graduation Sunday
Saturday, June 9 7:00 - Children's Musical "Little Brother" - Asbury Hall
Sunday, June 10 4:00 Children's Musical - Asbury Hall
Monday, June 18 - Friday, June 22 9:00 - 12:00
Vacation Bible School

From the Pastor

Next Sunday is Mother's Day. In the larger scheme of things this celebration is relatively new. A woman by the name of Anna Jarvis living in Grafton, West Virginia and a member of the local Methodist Church, wanted to do something special to honor the memory of her mother.

Anna came upon the idea of having a special day where not only her mother, but all mothers would be honored. She came upon the second Sunday of May as it fell nearest to the passing of her own mother. You pretty much know the rest – the observance was received so well that by 1912 the entire nation wanted Mother's Day to be an annual observance.

We will celebrate Mother's Day and I trust this day will be a true celebration. Another part of our observance will be the receiving of a special Mother's Day offering. This offering will be directed to help fund the Benevolent Care Fund for the Methodist Retirement Homes.

As United Methodists we are committed to making sure that those residents of our retirement homes who have outlived their financial resources are cared for. The Benevolent Care Fund provides the dollars to make this happen. It is an important and a tangible way for each of us to honor our mothers (and fathers) who find themselves facing this challenge.

You will find an offering envelope in today's bulletin. I invite you to take it home, pray for God's guidance as you consider your gift, and return your gift in the envelope next Sunday, Mother's Day! I want to thank you in advance for your generosity.

Pastor Bob

UPHOLDING OUR VOWS TO THE CHURCH BY OUR PRAYERS

Hospital: Erick Walston - Vidant
Raeford Flowers - Rex

We extend our love and sympathy to **Karyl Wheeler** and family in the death of her mother, Gerry McKenzie, on Thursday, April 26, 2018, in Apollo Beach, FL.

BY OUR PRESENCE ATTENDANCE April 29, 2018

Sunday School -139
8:45 - 37; 9:00 - 87; 11:00 - 213
Tuesday Communion - 11
Total Worship - 348

BY OUR GIFTS

2018 Operating Budget	\$	1,091,282
Weekly Requirement	\$	20,986
Received April 29th	\$	21,378
YTD Requirement	\$	356,762
Received YTD	\$	379,997
Over (Under)	\$	23,235

BY OUR SERVICE AND WITNESS

May Chancel Committee: Bea Newton and Susan Barnes, co-chairs, Marilyn Boyer, Donna Allen, Peggy Anderson, Sarah Williams, Bobbie Burch, Mary Edmundson, Martha Ford

Narthex Greenery for May: Sallie Cozart

The music committee and music ministry team thank all of you who have supported our concert series, "Music at First," throughout this season. It has been a wonderful beginning (really a second beginning) for this ministry which reaches not only our congregation, but the whole Wilson community. Sunday, May 20th at 4:00 p.m. will be the final presentation of this season's series. The Chancel Choir, instrumentalists, and ministers will lead us in a service of evening Praise and Prayer, which will include some of our favorite anthems and songs. Please plan to attend this beautiful service, and invite friends and family from other churches to participate in worship with us in our sanctuary.

The Worship of God Sixth Sunday of Easter 9:00 Worship Hour

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Sharing in Song

*LIKE A LION
YOU MAKE ME BRAVE*

Praise Band

Announcements

First Lesson

1 John 5:1 - 6

Morning Prayer

Presenting Our Offerings

LET THE HEAVENS OPEN

Praise Band

WORD FOR THE DAY

Second Lesson

John 15:9 - 17

Message

"Chosen!"

Reverend Robl

OUR RESPONSE

Communion

COME TO THE ALTAR

Praise Band

Sending Forth

Greeters for May 6th: Lorrie and Chad Halverson, Teresa and Jack Payne

We thank the Praise Band for their ministry this morning.

The Worship of God
Sixth Sunday of Easter
11:00 Worship Hour

GATHERING

+SHARING THE PEACE

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“In This Very Room” Ron Harris

+HYMN OF PRAISE NO.369

“Blessed Assurance” UMH

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

“The Apostles’ Creed” UMH 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.

+GLORIA PATRI

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.

FIRST LESSON

1 John 5:1 - 6 NT Page 241

PRAYER CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Beautiful Savior” David Allen

(Please sign and pass the attendance pad.)

Beautiful Savior! King of creation! Son of God and Son of man! Truly I'd love Thee, truly I'd serve Thee, Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands, robed in flowers of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, He makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight, bright the sparkling stars on high; Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of man! Glory and honor, praise adoration, now and forevermore be Thine!

+DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SECOND LESSON

John 15:9 - 17 NT Pages 109 - 110

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“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” UMH

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Musical Selection for the Organ

+Those who are able, please stand.

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The Chancel flowers are given to the glory of God from the Flower Fund.

Participating with the clergy in this morning's services:

Acolytes: Camille Brooks and T Franks

Crucifer: Thomas Newton

Reader: Frank Eagles

Volunteers:

Sound System: Arthur Stamper

Greeters for May 6th:

8:45 Narthex: Carol and Jim Deal

11:00 Office Area: Jackie Dale

11:00 Narthex: Sarah and Horace Joyner

Ushers for May:

8:45: Betty Wooten, Steve Flynn, Mary Etta and Clark Moore

11:00: Luke Spainhour, William Shreve, Jeff and Nancy Shackelford, Philip Thompson, and Doris Craft