

FUMC welcomes all who worship with us this morning. Please fill out the pew pads at the end of the row so that we may have a record of all our participants. The ushers and greeters can answer questions that you may have.

Matt Evans is the new UMM President and John Arnold is the new Vice President. If you need to communicate with the UMM, reach out to Matt or John.

Not a Silent Night study begins today at 2:30 PM in the FLC Conference Room. The study will also take place on Monday nights at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Volunteers Needed for Community Outreach. There are several events planned for December 2 that will help First UMC Mocksville reach out with the love of Jesus into our community. From 9:00-10:30 in the Family Life Center, we are holding a **Christmas Birthday Breakfast!** We are inviting children and their families for a birthday breakfast celebrating Jesus' birthday. The menu is pancakes with all the trimmings for decorating, apple juice, fruit, milk, and coffee (for the adults). We will share the Christmas story with the kids and offer a station for making crafts. We need people to help with the set-up, clean-up, serving food, and building relationships with the children and families. The second event for the day is the **Mocksville Christmas Parade** which begins at 2:00. We need float decorators, walkers, and riders for the float. We are also **servicing Hot Chocolate** for people watching the parade. We need people for every aspect. Can you help decorate (we need some creative minds). Can you walk or ride the route? Can you take cups or carafes of Hot Chocolate to parade goers? Let's make First UMC Mocksville stand out and shine with the love of Jesus. See Lori Anne if you will help and she will put you in touch with the necessary people. During this season of giving, give your time and talents by serving Christ in this way.

There will be a covered dish dinner for ALL the ladies of the church on Sunday, December 3, at 6 pm in the Family Life Center. The dinner is sponsored by United Women of Faith and is a time for the women of the church to fellowship together and learn more about the organization as we prepare for the new year ahead. Pull out your best recipes, come for a good time, and learn more about what it means to be United Women in Faith. Transportation can be provided for anyone who does not drive after dark!! Questions? Contact Ruth Hoyle at rhoyle@yadtel.net.

Give not from the bottom of your purse, but from the bottom of your heart.

	Oct 2023	Jan-Oct '23
Tithes/Offerings	\$ 40,077	361,075
Other	\$ 1,644	15,938
Memorials	125	3,560
W/S Foundation		8,139
Total Income	\$ 41,846	388,712
Expenses	- 52,999	- 477,764
Total	- 11,153	- 89,052



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2023

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

REV. HANNAH HOWELL

PRELUDE

WE GATHER TOGETHER

PRESENTING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

ACOLYTE

* CHORAL INTROIT

REJOICE IN THE LORD

* MISSION STATEMENT

ALL

The mission of First United Methodist Church is to **believe** in Jesus Christ as Lord,
to **receive** the power of the Holy Spirit,
and to **respond** to the needs of others with the love of God the Father.

* HYMN UMH 102

NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD

*PSALM 123 (NRSVUE)

ALL

¹To you I lift up my eyes, O you who are enthroned in the heavens!

²**As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master,
as the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
so our eyes look to the LORD our God, until he has mercy upon us.**

³Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us,
for we have had more than enough of contempt.

⁴**Our soul has had more than its fill of the scorn of those who are at ease,
of the contempt of the proud.**

MUSIC MAKERS

A BEAUTIFUL PSALM, GIVE ME OIL IN MY LAMP

JOYS AND CONCERNS

REV. HANNAH HOWELL

MORNING PRAYER

BELINDA BREWER

THE LORD’S PRAYER

ALL

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.

ANTHEM

PROCLAMATION OF GRATITUDE

OFFERTORY PRAYER AND TIME OF GIVING

GIVE THANKS

* THE DOXOLOGY UMH 95

PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW

* HYMN UMH 87

WHAT GIFT CAN WE BRING

* SCRIPTURE

MATTHEW 25:14-30

¹⁴“The kingdom of heaven is like a man who was leaving on a trip. He called his servants and handed his possessions over to them. ¹⁵To one he gave five valuable coins, and to another he gave two, and to another he gave one. He gave to each servant according to that servant’s ability. Then he left on his journey. ¹⁶“After the man left, the servant who had five valuable coins took them and went to work doing business with them. He gained five more. ¹⁷In the same way, the one who had two valuable coins gained two more. ¹⁸But the servant who had received the one valuable coin dug a hole in the ground and buried his master’s money. ¹⁹“Now after a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. ²⁰The one who had received five valuable coins came forward with five additional coins. He said, ‘Master, you gave me five valuable coins. Look, I’ve gained five more.’ ²¹“His master replied, ‘Excellent! You are a good and faithful servant! You’ve been faithful over a little. I’ll put you in charge of much. Come, celebrate with me.’ ²²“The second servant also came forward and said, ‘Master, you gave me two valuable coins. Look, I’ve gained two more.’ ²³“His master replied, ‘Well done! You are a good and faithful servant. You’ve been faithful over a little. I’ll put you in charge of much. Come, celebrate with me.’ ²⁴“Now the one who had received one valuable coin came and said, ‘Master, I knew that you are a hard man. You harvest grain where you haven’t sown. You gather crops where you haven’t spread seed. ²⁵So I was afraid. And I hid my valuable coin in the ground. Here, you have what’s yours.’ ²⁶“His master replied, ‘You evil and lazy servant! You knew that I harvest grain where I haven’t sown and that I gather crops where I haven’t spread seed? ²⁷In that case, you

should have turned my money over to the bankers so that when I returned, you could give me what belonged to me with interest. ²⁸Therefore, take from him the valuable coin and give it to the one who has ten coins. ²⁹Those who have much will receive more, and they will have more than they need. But as for those who don’t have much, even the little bit they have will be taken away from them. ³⁰Now take the worthless servant and throw him out into the farthest darkness.’ “People there will be weeping and grinding their teeth.”

SERMON

OFFERINGS

REV. LORI ANNE BOWEN

* HYMN UMH 413

A CHARGE TO KEEP I HAVE

*The altar is open to those who wish to pray,
to make a commitment of your life, or to reaffirm your faith.*

* BENEDICTION

REV. LORI ANNE BOWEN

* RESPONSE

BLEST BE THE DEAR UNITING LOVE

* CHIMING THE TRINITY

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, SON, AND HOLY GHOST.

* POSTLUDE

LOBE DEN HERREN

* PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE.

Prayer Concerns

<u>Bermuda</u>	<u>Willowbrook</u> (Yadkinville)
<u>Commons</u>	Mary Hendricks
Molly Jo	<u>Clemmons Village 1</u>
McClamrock	Madeline Shelton
<u>Davie Rehab</u>	<u>Mocksville Senior Living</u>
Wanda	Karen Marks
Bryant	<u>At Home</u>
Christine	Billie Bean
Woodruff	Ann Stayer

Children's Sunday School teachers and assistants are needed. Do you find joy in teaching and sharing Jesus' love? Do you love children and their gifts of curiosity and creativity? Perhaps this will nourish your soul in ways you never imagined! Contact Pastor Hannah for more information or questions.