

† Luke 14:1, 7-14 [CEB] One Sabbath, when Jesus went to share a meal in the home of one of the leaders of the Pharisees, they were watching him closely.⁷ When Jesus noticed how the guests sought out the best seats at the table, he told them a parable.⁸ “When someone invites you to a wedding celebration, don’t take your seat in the place of honor. Someone more highly regarded than you could have been invited by your host.⁹ The host who invited both of you will come and say to you, ‘Give your seat to this other person.’ Embarrassed, you will take your seat in the least important place.¹⁰ Instead, when you receive an invitation, go and sit in the least important place. When your host approaches you, he will say, ‘Friend, move up here to a better seat.’ Then you will be honored in the presence of all your fellow guests.¹¹ All who lift themselves up will be brought low, and those who make themselves low will be lifted up.”¹² Then Jesus said to the person who had invited him, “When you host a lunch or dinner, don’t invite your friends, your brothers and sisters, your relatives, or rich neighbors. If you do, they will invite you in return and that will be your reward.¹³ Instead, when you give a banquet, invite the poor, crippled, lame, and blind.¹⁴ And you will be blessed because they can’t repay you. Instead, you will be repaid when the just are resurrected.”

PRAYER CONCERNS

Bermuda Commons

Molly Jo McClamrock
Jean Shelton

Somerset

Billie Bean
Louise Collins
Ron Cotterman

Davie Rehab

Lynne Hicks
Christine Woodruff
Wanda Bryant

At Home

Peggy Clark
Mary Hendricks
Inez Miller

Mary Lou Musselman
Ann Stayer
Jenny Turner
Shirley Wicker

Clemmons Village 1

Madelyn Shelton

Adopt a College Student College students are headed back to their home away from home, and the church family would like to keep in touch. If you would like to sponsor a student this 2022-23 school year, please contact Patsy Crenshaw, crcunc67@aol.com or 336.940.8563. College students: If you would like to participate in this program please send this information to Patsy Crenshaw. Name, Address, Birthday and things you like such as snacks, fast food, hobbies, etc. Please send the information by September 15, 2022.



TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 28, 2022
10:55 AM

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.

THE COMMUNITY GATHERS

The prelude signifies the beginning of worship. You are invited to be in a spirit of prayer and meditation. Please silence all mobile communication devices, and sign the pew pads to register your attendance.

† Please stand as you are able.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

REV. HANNAH SMITH

PRELUDE

FROM ALL THAT DWELL BELOW THE SKIES

ORGAN

INTROIT

CHANCEL CHOIR

† MISSION STATEMENT

ALL

† HYMN UMH 568

CHRIST FOR THE WORLD WE SING

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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.*

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

PATSY BREWER & CHILDREN

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

ALL

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ANGIE JORDAN

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 UMH 463

LORD, SPEAK TO ME

WE HEAR THE WORD PROCLAIMED

LUKE 14:1, 7-14 [CEB]

† SCRIPTURE

This is the word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

REVERSAL OF THE WORLD VIEW

REV. LORI ANNE BOWEN

ANTHEM

PRAYER FOR THE CHILDREN

CHANCEL CHOIR

WE RENEW OUR COMMITMENT

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

OFFERTORY

† DOXOLOGY *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION **Receive these offerings, O Lord. We give you thanks for the blessings which you have bestowed upon us. We pray these gifts, the employment of our talents, the labor of our hands, the prayers of our hearts, and the witness of our lives will show the world the magnitude of your love and grace. Let us put you first in our lives. Use us this week to build your Kingdom. We ask this in the name of Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever more. Amen.**

WE GO AS GOD'S PEOPLE INTO THE WORLD

† HYMN UMH 340

COME, YE SINNERS, POOR AND NEEDY

† BENEDICTION

REV. LORI ANNE BOWEN

† RESPONSE

ALL

May the Lord watch over you until we meet again. May He hold you in the palm of his hand. Amen.

† CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, SON, AND HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN.

† POSTLUDE

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PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

PREACHING Rev. Lori Anne Bowen, Senior Pastor

LITURGIST & CHILDREN'S MOMENT Rev. Hannah Smith, Associate Pastor

MUSIC Lou Ann Wilson, Director of Music Ministries Anita Long, Organist The Chancel Choir

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WELCOME! The congregation and staff of FUMC Mocksville welcome you to today's worship. It is our honor to have you with us! Our ministers, staff, greeters and ushers are happy to assist you with any questions you may have. We hope our worship will inspire, comfort and challenge you as we hear God's message proclaimed through preaching, music, prayer and liturgy.

Chancel Choir Rehearsal Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

Thank you for your continued support for the new pew cushions. We now have \$9,382 in our fund which is about 3/4 of the \$12,600 estimate we received last spring. We hope to reach our goal soon since the cost of materials continues to rise. If you are able to give a little above your normal tithe, the gift will be appreciated.

The Mocksville Ministerial Association will hold a **Back to School Prayer Vigil** on Sunday September 11, 2022 at 2:00 at the Downtown Mocksville Park (at the fountain). The rain location will be at the Family Life Center of First UMC. Please join us for prayers for our schools, children, teachers, and staff. Invite your friends and neighbors to join us.

The Lay Leadership Committee will be meeting soon and begin making nominations for committee members next year. If you are currently a committee chair or are serving on a committee, prayerfully consider if you wish to continue in that role. If you decide you cannot serve and wish to roll off that committee, please contact Lori Anne or the church office. We will soon have the "Every Person in Ministry" Forms for completion of places for service.

Let's have more conversations! Sign up for coffee or ice cream and visit with Pastor Lori Anne.

Connect – Imagine – Engage ~ Conversations with Lori Anne

Morning Coffee

Tuesday August 30 at 9:00 a.m. at The Factory (downtown Mocksville)

If you cannot drive or are unable to make one of these dates, see Lori Anne for other available times.

A landscaping and yard clean-up is at the parsonage September 17. ALL are invited to participate and help!

Backpack Buddies needs 5 volunteers to form a 4th group to help with packing backpacks every other month. Please call Amy Wood for more information. 336.414.2970