

Jeremiah 4:11-12; 22-28 At that time, this people and Jerusalem will be told: A blistering wind from the bare heights; it rages in the desert toward my people, not merely to winnow or cleanse. ¹² This wind is too devastating for that. Now I, even I, will pronounce my sentence against them. ²² My people are foolish. They don't even know me! They are thoughtless children without understanding; they are skilled at doing wrong, inept at doing right. I looked at the earth, and it was without shape or form; at the heavens and there was no light. ²⁴ I looked at the mountains and they were quaking; all the hills were rocking back and forth. ²⁵ I looked and there was no one left; every bird in the sky had taken flight. ²⁶ I looked and the fertile land was a desert; all its towns were in ruins before the LORD, before his fury. The LORD proclaims: The whole earth will become a desolation, but I will not destroy it completely. ²⁸ Therefore, the earth will grieve and the heavens grow dark because I have declared my plan and will neither change my mind nor cancel the plan.

† **Luke 15:1-10 [CEB]** All the tax collectors and sinners were gathering around Jesus to listen to him. ² The Pharisees and legal experts were grumbling, saying, "This man welcomes sinners and eats with them." ³ Jesus told them this parable: ⁴ "Suppose someone among you had one hundred sheep and lost one of them. Wouldn't he leave the other ninety-nine in the pasture and search for the lost one until he finds it?" ⁵ And when he finds it, he is thrilled and places it on his shoulders. ⁶ When he arrives home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Celebrate with me because I've found my lost sheep.' ⁷ In the same way, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who changes both heart and life than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need to change their hearts and lives. ⁸ "Or what woman, if she owns ten silver coins and loses one of them, won't light a lamp and sweep the house, searching her home carefully until she finds it?" ⁹ When she finds it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Celebrate with me because I've found my lost coin.' ¹⁰ In the same way, I tell you, joy breaks out in the presence of God's angels over one sinner who changes both heart and life."

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



FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SEPTEMBER 11, 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

ORGAN

INTROIT

SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD

CHANCEL CHOIR

MISSION STATEMENT (SEATED)

ALL

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON (SEATED)

JEREMIAH 4:11-12;22-28

† HYMN UMH 66

PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN

† 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 CRENSHAW & CHILDREN

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

ELIZABETH ROSENBAUM

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 539

O SPIRIT OF THE LIVING GOD

WE HEAR THE WORD PROCLAIMED

† SCRIPTURE

LUKE 15:1-10 [CEB]

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

SERMON

REMAINING REMNANT

REV. LORI ANNE BOWEN

ANTHEM

LORD OF HOSTS

CHANCEL CHOIR

WE RENEW OUR COMMITMENT

OFFERTORY

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

† 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 365

GRACE GREATER THAN OUR SIN

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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PREACHING Rev. Lori Anne Bowen, Senior Pastor

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

MUSIC Lou Ann Wilson, Director of Music Ministries Tommy Dunn, Organist The Chancel Choir

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** today, 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.

A landscaping and yard clean-up will be 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

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.