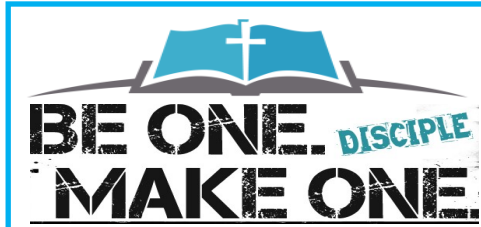




Welcome to First Church, we are so happy that you chose to worship with us! Here are some resources available to you this morning:

- **Children's Activity Packs** are located at the entrance and rear of the sanctuary.
- **Nursery Childcare** (under 3 years of age) is available during services (pagers available at the Check-In Childcare Greeter Desk).
- Please bring your infant with you to worship! A **Comfort Corner** is available for your convenience, ask an usher for directions.
- **Wee Worship** (ages 3 to 5) and **Kids Worship** (ages 6 through 5th grade) follow the Children's Message at the 10:45 service. This program is designed to help children become accustomed to the structure and purpose of worship. Wee Worship is in Room 118 and Kids Worship in Room 216.
- For **Hearing Assistance**, wireless receivers are available. See an usher for assistance.
- **Large Print Hymnals** are available, see an usher for assistance.
- **Seat Cushions** for the wooden pews are available at the Sound Desk located in the rear of the Sanctuary.

Thank you for joining us today and we hope to see you again! Please visit the **Welcome Desk** (located outside the multipurpose room) for more information and to receive a special gift.



Week 17: Theme ~ *Worship*

Daily Bible Readings

- April 23** *Undignified*
2 Samuel 6:12-23; Psalm 100
- April 24** *In Spirit and Truth*
John 4:1-42
- April 25** *Worship and Justice*
Amos 5:21-24; Isaiah 58:1-14
- April 26** *A New Song*
Psalms 96-99; Revelation 4:11
- April 27** *Keep God First*
Leviticus 23
- April 28** Relax & Reflect
- April 29** Worship



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Disability Awareness Sunday

*Opening Doors with Christ, One Another
and Our Neighbors*



Week 16: Reconciliation

Memory Verse:

"Therefore, as God's choice, hold and loved, put on compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience."

(Colossians 3:12)

Sunday Services

Worship 8:15 AM, 10:45 AM
Sunday School for all ages 9:30 AM

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LEADING IN TODAY'S MORNING WORSHIP

Preaching..... Rev. Dr. Dennis Keller
Worship Leader..... Rev. John Shellenberger
Organist..... Frank Heberlig
Sound & Media..... Bob Bittenbender & Jim Murdoch (8:15);
Jim Murdoch & Roger Walton ((10:45)

SERVING OUR CHILDREN DURING MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday School Greeter. Barb Klingensmith
Worship Greeter..... TBD (8:15); TBD (10:45)
Crib/Toddlers:..... Kelly King, Sarah Jones (8:15);
Janet Almond, TBD (10:45)
Wee Worship (10:45) Brandy Zimmerman, Vicki Shambaugh
Kids Worship (10:45)..... Tracy & Bob Wertz



FOUNDATION SERVICE ~ 8:15 AM

"For no one can lay any foundation other than the one that has been laid; that foundation is Jesus Christ."

~ I Corinthians 3:11

Prelude

"That Easter Day with Joy was Bright" arr. Lynell Leatherman

Welcome

Greeting (Responsively)

(Written by those attending "Rejoicing Spirits")

Leader: Lord, our hero, thank you and bless you for becoming human.

People: We praise you because you take care of people.

Leader: You give us jobs and places to live.

People: Savior, we are blessed that You died for our sins.

All: We love you! Help us to lead a purposeful life and to worship you.

*Hymn of Praise..... "Rejoicing Spirits"
Words will be projected on the screen

(Ushers will receive green prayer cards)

*Opening Prayer (Responsively)

Leader: We come together today as people with different skills, different abilities, different disabilities.

People: We come, however, as one body in Christ.

Leader: We ask God to help us be compassionate toward all, even as God has been compassionate toward us.

People: Gather us together, in compassion and in faith. Help us to welcome and honor everyone in this community.

Leader: Regardless of physical strength and ability,

People: Regardless of differences of mind or spirit,

Leader: Open us, O God. Make us accessible to your Spirit, and accessible to all your people.

All: Amen.

*Hymn of Praise..... "To God Be the Glory" No. 98

*The Gospel John 3:16-18..... CEB Page 810

Anthem "I Will Rise and Go to Jesus" Handbells

Scripture Reading..... Isaiah 11:1-10..... CEB Page 532

Anthem "Shine on Me" Sounds of Worship
Words and Music by Rollo Dilworth

Sermon..... "Love Takes the First Step" Pastor Keller

Words of Witness..... Karin McHale

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (sins)

*Hymn..... "Together in One Spirit"
Words will be projected on the screen

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory "Silent Devotion" (Avodath Hakodesh)..... Ernest T. Bloch
May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable to you, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer. ~ Psalm 19:14

*Offering Response
"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 95

*Offering Prayer

*Hymn..... "Freely, Freely" No. 99

*Benediction

Postlude

.... "Thine Be the Glory" (Resurrection Suite) arr. Mark Hayes

**Please stand as able.*

SUNDAY SCHOOL ~ 9:30 AM

☪ Children's Sunday School ☪

- Classes for 3 year olds to 5th grade are using the Deep Blue Curriculum where kids dive deep into the bible and learn more about God, Jesus, faith and how it all fits together into life today. All classes learn the same bible lesson, but at different levels appropriate for their age.
- Classes for babies and toddlers are located on the first floor of the Children's Department. Check in with the greeter who will guide you to your child's room.

☪ Youth Sunday School: 4G ~ Morning Edition ☪

Middle School: B003
High School: Youth Lounge
UMHC Students: B005

☪ Adult Sunday School ☪

Walk-in visitors and new class members are welcome in all classes.

- **FAITH IN EVERYDAY LIFE** (Room 207) - A group of singles and couples age 25ish and above, but all are welcome. A discussion-based class that values friendship. Come discuss a variety of contemporary topics related to living out the Christian faith, compassion, and social justice.
- **FAITHFUL FAMILIES** (B001A, off Youth Lounge) - This class is made up of parents who are in the child-raising stage of life, and who enjoy discussion-based Bible studies related to living a faithful, Christ-centered life.
- **CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP** (Room 223) - A multi-generational adult class that selects short-term studies which generate challenging discussion of Christian principles. Moses: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet by Adam Hamilton. Join us as we follow the footsteps of Moses, a reluctant prophet, who blazed a trail of faith. We will explore the sites of Moses' life from the Nile River to the Red Sea, from Mt. Sinai to the desert wilderness.
- **GROWING IN CHRIST** (Room B004) - A mixed class of single adults and couples of all ages that select short-term studies intended to challenge thinking and create fruitful conversation of Christian principles.
- **GUYER CLASS** (Room 123) - A well-established group of elders in the church who study the United Methodist Quarterly Adult Bible Studies, which are designed as encouragement and instruction in living a life of faith.



CONVERGENT SERVICE ~ 10:45 AM

"Many gifts, one Spirit, one love known in many ways."

Gathering

Anthem "This Is the Day" Handchimes

Greeting (Responsively)

(Written by those attending "Rejoicing Spirits")

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Leader: You give us jobs and places to live.

People: Savior, we are blessed that You died for our sins.

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*Opening Song "Rejoicing Spirits"
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*Praise and Worship

"God I Look to You"

"No Longer Slaves"

"Death Was Arrested"

*The Gospel..... John 3:16-18..... CEB Page 810

Anthem..... "I'll Fly Away" Sanctuary Choir
Arr. Mary McDonald

Scripture Reading..... Isaiah 11:1-10..... CEB Page 532

Sermon..... "Love Takes the First Step" Pastor Keller

Words of Witness

Karin McHale

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (sins)

*Hymn..... "Together in One Spirit"
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Worship with Tithes and Offerings

*Closing Song

"Deep Cries Out"

*Blessing

**As you feel led, please stand or be seated.*

- **HELPING HANDS CLASS** (Room 105 in office wing) - A group of active seniors who focus on studies designed as encouragement and instruction on living a life of faith. Interactive studies and discussions are led by several class members. Also, class members enjoy many Christian social activities together.

For information on adult Bible studies held during the week and other small-group opportunities contact Tina Eaton at adultministry@fumchurch.com.