

☞ **Welcome Visitors** ☞

Welcome to First Church! We are privileged to have you attend our church and grateful that you chose to worship with us. May you be moved and enriched by the Spirit and know you are among friends. Here is a list of some resources available to you this morning:

- ✦ Children's activity packs are located at the entrances and rear of the sanctuary
- ✦ Nursery childcare (under three years of age) is available during services (pagers available at the check-in childcare greeter desk)
- ✦ Infants in service are welcome! A Comfort Corner location is available, if desired (ask an usher for directions).
- ✦ Wee Worship (ages three and four) follows 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.
- ✦ For hearing assistance, wireless receivers are available. Ask an usher for assistance.
- ✦ Large print hymnals available. Ask an usher for assistance.

Daily Bible Study

August 28	Noah Found Favor With the Lord	Genesis 6:1-8
August 29	People and Creatures Enter the Ark	Genesis 7:1-10
August 30	People and Creatures Return to Earth	Genesis 8:13-19
August 31	Be Fruitful, Multiply, Fill the Earth	Genesis 9:1-7
September 1	Nobody Knows the Day and Hour	Matthew 24:36-44
September 2	Under the Rainbow the Angel Speaks	Revelation 10:1-7
September 3	The Bow, Sign of God's Promise	Genesis 8:20-22; 9:8-17

LEADING IN TODAY'S MORNING WORSHIP

Preaching.....Rev. Dr. Dennis Keller
 Liturgist

Acolyte.....TBD (8:15); TBD (10:45)
 Organist.....Tom Mullikin
 Sound & MediaBob Bittenbender & Michael Garman (8:15);
 Holly Kurten & Jim Murdoch (10:45)
 UshersTBD (8:15); Brian Vogl, Larry Buddenbaum, Stuart Diehl,
 Jason Fisher, Tim Kurten, Ron Guyer, Rick Kauffman,
 Chuck Kershner

SERVING OUR CHILDREN DURING MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday School Greeter .Barb Klingensmith
 Worship GreeterTBD (8:15); TBD (10:45)
 Crib/Toddlers:Kelly King, Sarah Jones (8:15);
 Janet Almond, Jess Michael, Ellie Hoover (10:45)
 Wee Worship (10:45).....Brandy Zimmerman, Vicky Shambaugh

☞ **Adult Sunday School** ☞

During the summer months from July 2 through September 3, all adults are invited to participate in either of these two Sunday School class options (from 9:30 – 10:30 am). Walk-in visitors and new class members are always welcomed!

- **A combined class** is being offered for adults and youth in the Multipurpose room. We will be studying Change the World: Recovering the Message and Mission of Jesus by Mike Slaughter. Each week we will dig into Scripture, explore Jesus' life and teachings, and discuss what our response should be to similar problems in our world today. We will look at our calling to:

Follow Jesus
 Welcome the stranger
 Feed the hungry
 Heal the sick
 Rescue those in distress
 Go boldly out into the world

We will also hear from some of the missionaries that we support, learn about ways that we can become involved and be given the opportunity to engage in missional service. Every Christian is a missionary - Join us as we take action together!

- **The Guyer Class** will continue meeting in room 125B in the sanctuary. This is a well-established group of elders in the church who study the United Methodist Quarterly Adult Bible Studies, which are designed to encourage and instruct participants on living a life of faith.

For more information on these classes, Bible studies and small-group opportunities contact Tina Eaton at adultministry@fumchurch.com or call 766-4611.

☞ **Youth Sunday School: 4G ~ Morning Edition** ☞

Meet in the multi-purpose room for a summer combined study.

☞ **Children's Sunday School** ☞

- Sunday School is such an important time for our children to learn about God. It gives the children a chance to really get to know their teachers and classmates, and forms bonds that will last a lifetime. Our goal is to plant that seed of faith the children can lean on when going through difficult times by engaging kids with God's Word.
- 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 help guide you to your child's room.

Welcome to

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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



August 27, 2017

Sunday Services

**Worship
 Sunday School for all ages**

8:15 AM, 10:45 AM
 9:30 AM

CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

AUGUST 27, 2017

8:15 AM

PRELUDE“The Love of God”Lehman

GREETING

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively) Romans 12:1-2 (The Message)

Leader: So here's what I want you to do, God helping you:
Take your everyday, ordinary life-
your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking
around life-
and place it before God as an offering.

**People: Embracing what God does for you is the best thing
you can do for him.**

Leader: Don't become so well-adjusted to the culture that you
fit into it without even thinking.

**People: Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be
changed from the inside out.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE“Living for Jesus” No. 2149

Word will be projected on the screen

(Ushers will receive green prayer cards)

*OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)

**Almighty and everlasting God, in whom we live and move
and have our being, you created us for yourself, so that our
hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. Grant to us
such piety of heart and strength of purpose that no selfish
passion may hinder us from knowing your will, and no
weakness from doing it. In your light may we see life clearly
and in your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen.**

*PRAISE CHORUS“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah” No. 127

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sins)

*PRAYER HYMN.....“My Hope Is Built”No. 368

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY“Canteline in B Flat” Hosmer

*OFFERING RESPONSE

.....“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow” No. 95

*OFFERING PRAYER

MINISTRY OF MUSIC.....“Falling Slowly”

By Glen Hansard and Marketa Irglova,
arr. by Jim McMillen for Vitamin String Quartet

GOSPEL LESSON.....Matthew 16:13-20..... NT Page 18

SERMONPastor Keller

“When God Changes Your Story”

*HYMN.....“Take My Life and Let It Be” No. 399

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE“Fanfare Postlude”Graham

10:45 AM

GATHERING AND PRAYER

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

“This Is Amazing Grace”

“Healer”

“Revelation Song”

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER

OFFERING

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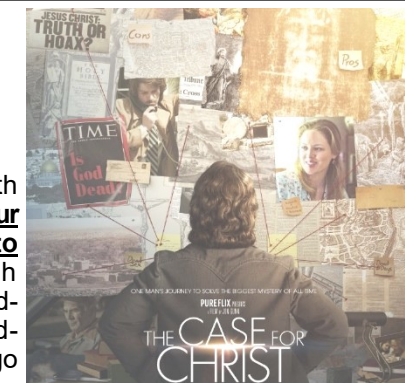
CLOSING SONG

“Take It All”

BLESSING

*Please stand as able.

The Case for Christ Fall Sermon Series, Movie and Study



Is there evidence that Jesus of Nazareth really is the son of God? **Invite your friends, neighbors and co-workers to join us** as we journey to seek the truth about Jesus together with atheist-turned-Christian, Lee Strobel (former award-winning legal editor of The Chicago Tribune and best-selling author).

There are many ways to participate in this journey:

TAKE A BOOK TO READ NOW

at the display in the main lobby. Books are just \$5.00.

SIGN UP NOW FOR A STUDY GROUP

at the display in the main lobby (4-week study goes along with the sermon series and movie).

COME AND SEE THE MOVIE

for free at First Church either
August 30 at 5:30 pm or
September 8 at 7:00 pm.
Snacks provided.

Pick up your
movie reminder and
treat at the “Case
for Christ” display
in the narthex

ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE

to attend worship every Sunday for
the 4-week sermon series, which begins September 10.

ATTEND THE CELEBRATION!

Pot-luck supper/worship night will be held October 15 at 5:30 pm in Fellowship Hall. Enjoy fellowship, music from our youth praise band and hear personal stories of how *The Case for Christ* has impacted our faith! A special gift will be given to honor those who completed the sermon series attendance challenge or invited a friend to participate in some way!

Questions? Contact Tina Eaton at
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or call 766-4611, extension 104

MINISTRY OF MUSIC MORNING SCHEDULE

Today's Ministry of Music provided by

Allison Ometz, flute
Emily Hammaker, violin
Abigail Wertz, viola
Janice Bowen, cello

September 3—Carvel Markley