

Welcome

We are glad that you are here. Please stop by the Welcome Desk in the Welcome Center for information on our ministries and visit us online at firstumc.org. When you're ready, we invite you to **Explore First** to learn more about the life of the church and how to get involved. To find out when you can **Explore First** or for information on how to become a member, contact Diana (drussell@firstumc.org or 863-686-3163).

Sunday school takes place at 9:30am.

Children

(On the ground floor of the C building)

Crib room	C-002
Toddlers	C-001
Two-year-olds	C-006
Three-year-olds	C-008
Four-year-olds	C-010

(On the first floor of the C building)

Kindergarten	C-111
First grade	C-110
Second grade	C-102
Third grade	C-105
Fourth grade	C-107
Fifth grade	C-106

Youth

6th-12th grade	F-1
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Adults

(On the second floor of the C building)

BYKOTA Class	C-207
Genesis Class	C-202
Koinonia Class	C-205
Searchers Class	C-206
Sendero Class	C-204
Storyline Class	C-201C
Vanguard Class	C-203
Homebuilders Class	Chapel

Sunday Morning Childcare During Worship

Check in on the ground floor of the C building.

- **8:15am service:** provided for children six weeks to four years old in C-001.
- **9:30am service or Sunday school:** provided for children six weeks through Pre-K 4. Infants & Toddlers are in C-001 and C-002, Nursery 2 is in C-006, Pre-K 3 is in Room C-008 and Pre-K 4 is in Room C-010.
- **11am and 11:20am services:** provided for children six weeks to four years old in C-001 and C-002.

Nursing Room: C-013

Worship service activity bags for children are in the Narthex of the Sanctuary and Lobby of the Fellowship Center. Ask an usher for assistance locating them!

The purpose of First United Methodist is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. We strive to accomplish this by being a **worship plus three church.**



Worship plus three is how we define our ministries. We believe **worship** is of prime importance and is our foundation. In addition, we are to **invite** others into a relationship with God, **grow** in our own relationship with God and our neighbor and **serve** others as a continued sign of God's work in our lives.

Worship Times:

8:15 & 11am Traditional, Sanctuary
 9:30 & 11:20am Contemporary, Fellowship Center
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Rev. David McEntire, Senior Pastor
 Rev. Melissa Stump, Associate Pastor
 Rev. Andy Whitaker Smith, Associate Pastor
 Rev. Lee Lallance, Minister of Music & Fine Arts
 Rev. Candace Lewis, District Superintendent
 Bishop Ken Carter, Florida Area Bishop

8:15am & 11am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS		David McEntire
PRELUDE	<i>Come, Ye Thankful People, Come/Corl</i>	Matthew H. Corl, CAGO
*CALL TO WORSHIP (please see below)		Melissa Stump
*HYMN 102	<i>Now Thank We All Our God</i>	NUN DANKET
*PSALTER 838, PSALM 117		Anna Brook Opalinski
WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC		Nick Folkes
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11am)	James Henry Kidwell, Jr., Son of James and Holly Kidwell	
	(Refrain) Bo, Bo, God claims you, God helps you, protects you and loves you, too	
	We this day do all agree, a child of God you'll always be (refrain)	
	We your family love you so, we vow to help your faith to grow (refrain)	
PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER		Andy Whitaker Smith
CHILDREN'S MOMENT		Andy Whitaker Smith
*CONGREGATIONAL GREETING		
OFFERTORY	(8:15am) <i>We Gather Together/Corl</i>	Matthew Corl, CAGO
	(11am) <i>Awaken the Dawn with Thanksgiving/Hayes</i>	Chancel Choir
*DOXOLOGY, 95		
SERMON	<i>A Church Which Serves/Luke 22:24-27</i>	David McEntire
PRESENTATION OF COMMITMENT CARDS		
*HYMN 694	<i>Come, Ye Thankful People, Come</i>	ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR
*BENEDICTION		David McEntire
*RESPONSE 666	<i>Shalom to You</i>	SOMOS DEL SENOR
POSTLUDE	<i>Now Thank We All Our God/Johnson</i>	Matthew H. Corl, CAGO

9:30am Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Center)

GATHERING	<i>Build Your Kingdom Here</i>	
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS	Please sign & pass the registration pad.	David McEntire
CALL TO WORSHIP/LITANY	<i>Cornerstone/How Great Thou Art</i>	Jeremy Hearn
SONGS OF PRAISE	<i>Lay Me Down; From the Day;</i>	
CONGREGATIONAL GREETING		Jeremy Hearn
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM	Delaney Rose Smith, Daughter of Bige & Megan Smith	
CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE		
PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER		Andy Whitaker Smith
OFFERTORY	<i>Called Me Higher</i>	Praise Band
SERMON	<i>A Church Which Serves/Luke 22:24-27</i>	David McEntire
PRESENTATION OF COMMITMENT CARDS		
CLOSING	<i>Sanctuary</i>	
BENEDICTION		David McEntire

11:20am Contemporary Worship (Fellowship Center)

GATHER TOGETHER		
WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS/GREET ONE ANOTHER		Melissa Stump
CALL TO WORSHIP		Jeremy Hearn
SONGS OF PRAISE	<i>Dawn to Dusk; From the Day; Lay Me Down</i>	
PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER		Melissa Stump
OFFERTORY/DOXOLOGY	<i>Build Your Kingdom Here</i>	
SERMON	<i>A Church Which Serves/Luke 22:24-27</i>	Melissa Stump
PRESENTATION OF COMMITMENT CARDS		
COMMUNION	<i>Great Are You Lord</i>	
DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING		Melissa Stump

Call to Worship (All Services)

LEADER:	Jesus came among us as one who serves.
ALL:	Help us, Lord, to be more like you.
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ALL:	Help us, Lord, to be more like you.

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First United Methodist

We are glad you joined us today! Whether you are a member or a guest, please take a moment to register your attendance on the registration pad before passing it on to your neighbor. Thank you for helping ensure our records are accurate.

Worship Notes

Acolytes and Crucifers:

8:15am: Kaley Delker and Mitchell Lynn

11am: Jeclisse Arman

Fresh flowers are placed on our altars to the glory of God and in memory of Bill Harrison by Gayle Harrison and in honor of Audrey Heath on her 90th birthday by her family.

Missions

Hurricane Recovery Trip to Big Pine Key:

Partner with the Florida Annual Conference to help survivors of the 2017 hurricanes. Leave Jan 1 and return Jan 6. The cost is \$275/person and includes transportation, food, lodging and a donation to the Florida Annual Conference Disaster Recovery Ministry. College students and young adults are welcome! Contact Forrest White for info (863-686-3163 or fwhite@firstumc.org).

This month we are collecting snacks (crackers, cookies packs and snackbars) and small coloring books for Peace River Center Holiday Care Packages. Please place these items in the blue collection bins located at each worship area and in the Welcome Center.

Opportunities

United Methodist Women's Book Club: Join in the discussion in the Church parlor, Tue, Nov 27, at 1pm. We will be discussing *Feathered* by Deborah Kerbe. This book is in the Leadership Development category. You may order at <https://tinyurl.com/y927clpf>.

Pecans are now on sale: Get your holiday pecans from the UMW. They will be sold outside our worship areas and in the fountain courtyard on Dec 9 from 8:30am - 12pm. \$9/ cinnamon or chocolate and \$12/pieces and halves. Contact a UMW member to order.

Our Giving Tree Bookstore and Gift Shop: Our hours have been extended during weekdays. Tell your friends and neighbors for their holiday shopping. New hours: Mon, Tue and Thu: 10am - 5:30pm; Wed: 10am - 7pm (when we have Phoenix) and Fri: 10am - 4pm. All proceeds go to missions.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship: Wed, Nov 21, join us in the Sanctuary at 6:30pm for a casual service to share our blessings as a church family. Note: there is no PHOENIX dinner that night. There is also no programming for children, youth or adults so families may attend together.

Please note - church offices will be closed Thu and Fri, Nov 22 & 23. They will re-open on Mon, Nov 26.

Order Poinsettias Today: May be placed in worship areas for Christmas services in honor of or in memory of loved ones. \$12/each. Orders due by Dec 14. Order online at firstumc.org/poinsettias or visit the Church Office.

From Hurt to Hope: A new group begins today and will meet through Dec 30. The holidays can be especially difficult for those living with depression, chronic illness, grief, loneliness, heartbreak or sadness. We invite you "From Hurt to Hope" on Sun mornings at 9:30am in Room C-201B. If you find this season of the year difficult or simply want to be around people seeking support, understanding and joy -- we invite you to attend. This is not a therapy group and no one has to say why they have come. Led by Rev. Terry Heck, a study of the book of Job will be the basic text. The goal is to help one another find a way out of the storms of life - or "From Hurt to Hope."

Advent is coming! All ages and stages of life are encouraged to join us for a Scavenger ADVENTure during PHOENIX on Wed, Nov 28. This intergenerational event will help you better understand Advent as we prepare for the birth of Jesus Christ. Dinner service starts at 5pm in the Fellowship Center, with the program for all ages to follow at 6:30pm.

Ring the Salvation Army Bell: Join us at the Highland City Towne Center Publix (5185 Hwy 98 S). We will ring in two-hour shifts from Nov 26 until Christmas Eve from 10am -8pm (except Sun). To sign up, go to firstumc.org/serve to use our volunteer scheduling software. *Note: the links to the software are in the left column of the page.* There is a link if you already have an account and another to create one. If you'd prefer, you may call Lea Ellen in the Church Office at 863-686-3163 to reserve a time.

Fun N Fellowship trip (55+): Dec 8 we will go to the Florida Southern College Christmas Gala. Meet at the church to take church vehicles. We'll enjoy lunch together before the Gala. \$10/luncheon, \$10/performance = \$20/total. If you are attending both events, we recommend parking your car at the church and riding one of our buses to Florida Southern. RSVP by Nov 21 to Gloria Jenney (863-682-1912 or gjenney@firstumc.org).

Our Brain Fitness Club begins in Jan 2019:

This program, designed for early memory loss patients, will help them learn healthy brain activities and lifestyle adaptations. Each session is 14 weeks long and the club meets twice weekly. We need volunteers for Mon and/or Thu from 8:30 - 11am and 11am - 2pm. Training for the volunteers will be held Nov 26 from 10am - noon. For information, contact Nina Rehberg (863-686-3163 or nrehberg@firstumc.org).

Children Pre-K 3 - fifth grade are invited to Make & Take on Sun, Dec 2, from 4:30-7pm.

Children make age-appropriate gifts for loved ones. At the end of the night, they will take home presents wrapped and ready to put under the tree. 4:30-5pm an optional pizza dinner will be available for \$3/child, followed by the event from 5-7pm. Make & Take is free, although donations are accepted. There will not be a Nursery available that evening.

Will you partner with us to provide supplies for Make & Take?

Items needed include metal lids from spaghetti, pickle or salsa jars, gift bags and tags, tissue paper (green, white and red) and gift boxes. Please bring items to the Children's Check-In Desk on the first floor of the C Building or the Church Administrative Office.

We are accepting appointments online for the last Directory photo sessions Jan 29, 30 and 31.

This is the final opportunity to have your photo included in the Directory. Make an appointment online at firstumc.org/directory or outside worship areas after the first of the year. The online appointment center is unavailable on Sun. Just for having your photo taken you will receive a free 8" x 10" portrait. Everyone receives a \$10 off coupon and seniors (60+), military and first responders are eligible for another 20% off.

Adult Sunday School

Classes are from 9:30-10:30am. We welcome visitors to any class. For more info, contact Warren Pattison (863-682-1912 or wpattison@firstumc.org). You can also call and listen live to Rev. Brian Tiffany's lesson with the Homebuilders Class - dial 863-225-0968 at 9:30am.

- **BYKOTA:** Led by Dr. Doug Hallman in Room C-207
- **Genesis:** Room C-202
- **Homebuilders:** Led by Rev. Brian Tiffany in the Chapel
- **Koinonia:** Led by Rev. Terry Knight in Room C-205
- **Searchers:** Led by Dr. Linda Comer in Room C-206
- **Sendero:** Led by John Curtis in Room C-204
- **Storyline:** Led by Jason Rogers in Room C-201C.
- **Vanguard:** Rev. Jose Bove is teaching in Room C-203.

Children

Sunday School at 9:30am:

- **Nursery through fourth grade:** A widow and her sons ask a prophet for help. God performs a miracle for them (2 Kings 4:2-7)
- **Fifth grade:** David joined King Saul's family (1 Samuel 18:2-3)

Tonight: PK3 - fifth grade students, join us for fun, dinner and a program on "Remember Me" from 5-7pm. \$3/person for dinner.

Mon: NO PRAY AND PLAY

Wed: Thanksgiving Eve Service at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary. No programming.

Youth

Sunday Morning Bible Study (sixth-twelfth grades) at 9:30am in F-1: Join us for in-depth study and discussion.

Tonight: Join us from 5-7pm in F-1 for Youth Group for a meal, recreation, worship, music, small groups and lots of fun.

Wed: Thanksgiving Eve Service at 6:30pm in the Sanctuary. No programming.

Mark your calendar for Dec 7: We will meet at 6pm for Youth Caroling!

Called Charge Conference: Alex Daley, a member of our church and exploring candidate for ministry, is ready to appear before our SPRC and Charge Conference. There will be a called Charge Conference in the Chapel on Sun, Nov 25, at 12:30pm for the purpose of presenting, interviewing and voting on Alex as a Declared Candidate.

Prayers, Presence, Gifts

The First United Methodist prayer line is available 24/7. Call 863-686-3163 x*652 and leave your request. The prayer line is regularly checked by our intercessors and your request will be prayed for. (Please note: you must enter the * before the extension). You may also submit a confidential prayer request on our website at firstumc.org.

Prayers

Hospitalized (as of Nov 12)

Rebecca Boyd, Shirley Chapman, Clark Green and Eleanor Powner

In Memoriam

Andrew Stephens

Presence In Worship Last Sunday

8:15am Traditional:	209
9:30am Contemporary:	507
11am Traditional:	327
11:20am Contemporary:	138
Online viewers week of Nov 4:	128

Gifts

Needed Each Sunday: \$ 69,357
Received on Nov 4: \$ 61,306
Received to Date: \$ 2,846,713

Electronic Donations

VIA QR CODE: Scan the code with your phone's QR Reader and follow directions.

VIA TEXT: Text the amount you would like to give to 863-617-7899. Make sure to include a "\$" before the amount and follow instructions.



For more information on electronic giving, please contact Harriet Mayes (hmeyes@firstumc.org or 863-686-3163).