

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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“A Holy, Healthy, and Loving Community Striving to Know Christ and to Make Christ Known”



September 24, 2023

Morning Worship

10:45 a.m.

WORDS OF WELCOME ----- Rev. Michael Atkinson

ORGAN PRELUDE ----- “A Southern Folk Hymn”

FUMC Bell Choir, Dr. Jessica Scott– Organ

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

L: Open your hearts to God’s loving mercy.

P: Lord, come into our hearts this day.

L: Having received God’s mercy, bring that love to others.

P: Lord, be with us as we reach out to others in compassion.

L: Feel your spirits filled with the goodness of God.

P: Lord, we thank you for the many blessings which you pour into our lives.

***OPENING PRAYER**

As we sing our praise to you, O Lord, we remember the multitude of blessings you have given us. We are mindful of the ways in which you have lifted us when we have fallen low. Be with us this day as we gather to hear your word for our lives. AMEN.

***HYMNAL #145** ----- “Morning Has Broken ”

***PASSING OF GOD’S PEACE**

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM ----- Hymnal Pg. 33

Alex and Madison Stout present *Oliver Lyndon Stout* for Christian Baptism

Baptismal Response Hymn #611

“Child of Blessing, Child of Promise”

CHILDREN’S MOMENTS ----- -Rev. Michael Atkinson

MORNING PRAYER

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.

OFFERING----- “Take Time To Be Holy”

FUMC Men’s Choir

***DOXOLOGY**----- U.M. Hymnal #95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise Him, all creatures here below;

praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON----- Exodus 16:2-15

In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the LORD’s hand in Egypt! There we sat around pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death.” Then the LORD said to Moses, “I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days.” So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, “In the evening you will know that it was the LORD who brought you out

of Egypt, and in the morning you will see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?” Moses also said, “You will know that it was the LORD when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the LORD.” Then Moses told Aaron, “Say to the entire Israelite community, ‘Come before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.’” While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked toward the desert, and there was the glory of the LORD appearing in the cloud. The LORD said to Moses, “I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, ‘At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God.’” That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread the LORD has given you to eat.

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE ----- “Our Daily Bread”----- Rev. Michael Atkinson
(you are encouraged to use this space for notes)

*HYMN #648 ----- “God the Spirit, Guide and Guardian ”
*BENEDICTION
ORGAN POSTLUDE ----- Dr. Scott

If you or someone you know is in the hospital, nursing home, has a need from the church, or would like a visit, please contact Pastor Atkinson.
**Please feel free to call or send a text to
Pastor Michael Atkinson at 304-771-3309**

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

- Tuesday, September 26** -- Monastic Meal 12:15 p.m.
 - Men’s Group at FOP at 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. (Please confirm with Pastor Mike 304-771-3309)
 - Finance Meeting at 5:00 p.m. in the Parlor
- Wednesday, September 27** -- Small Group Study, “A Disciple’s Path” at 6:00 p.m.
- Thursday, September 28** -- Prayer Shawl Group at 5:00 p.m., in the Parlor
 - Small Group Study, “The Good and Beautiful God” at 2:00 & 6:00 p.m.




Rummage Sale October 5-6th

Do you have gently used items you’re ready to part with?
We NEED Items for the rummage sale!

Volunteers are needed for setup (Oct. 4th) and to work Thursday & Friday.

For Questions contact Anita Burns
For Rummage Sale drop off contact the church office 304-623-3397




**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
PASTOR MIKE & CANDY
SEPTEMBER 28TH**






Save the Date


Second Sunday– Family Fun Day
October 8, 2023 5-7 pm
Plan to Join us for this family event in the fellowship hall
Contact Shelley Spellman for more information

Contact Tammy Matheny at 304-476-2015
If you would like information about our Prayer Chain.



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