Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 8, 2021

The liturgical color is red remembering the Holy Spirit coming to the Church.

We lift up prayers for the community, our church family, staff, ministers, and for the work of Christ in the world.

Prelude "I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus"

arr. Ludwig Lenel

(The Prelude is a pathway into the presence of God. Let the worshipers remain silent and contemplative.)

* The Chiming of the Hour (congregation stands)

* Opening Hymn

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

UMH #127

Welcome

Rev. Jennifer Hupko

* Affirmation of Faith

UMH #881 UMH #70

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.

Pastoral Prayer

* The Gloria Patri

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.

Celebrating Grace by Returning God's Tithes and Giving Our Offerings

(Offering Stewards will come forward at this time)

Offertory

"O God Who Shaped Creation"

arr. D.S. Ferguson

* The Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #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.

* Offertory Prayer

Children's Message

Rev. Hupko

11:00 | Children 3 years old to 1st Grade are invited to attend Little Church. Please pick them up following the service in room 201, Wesley Bldg.

* Hymn of Preparation

"Be Thou My Vision"

UMH #451

* Sermon Text

John 6:51-58

Shelby Sansbury 8:30

SETTING AND

Al Wendler 11:00

Anthem

"One Bread, One Body" Norman McQueen, Soloist arr. Hayes

Sermon

"Living Bread"

Rev. Hupko

Service of Word and Table

UMH #13

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Communion Music D. Scott Ferguson, Organ

Please feel free to pray at the altar after Communion.

A receptacle is placed at each station for your Communion offering to benefit Happy Wheels.

* Closing Hymn

"Come Sinners to the Gospel Feast"

UMH #339

* Benediction

Rev. Hupko

Postlude

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

arr. Hal H. Hopson

The Steeple Highlights

First United Methodist Academy (FUMA) OPEN HOUSE on August 9th from 5:00-7:00PM. All are welcome! Come to the Wesley Building sub-level, 901 N Kings Hwy (Main campus).

FUMA Book Drive to benefit the new Academy's library—new or used children's books. Collection bins are located in the Sanctuary Narthex and at the Wesley Worship Center entrance.

Blessing of the Backpacks—Sunday, August 15th, 11AM Contemporary Worship, Wesley Worship Center. All Students, Teachers, School Staff, Parents, and Former Teachers are invited. Recognition will be given to those attending all worship services.

Ladies Lunch & Devotion, Wednesday, August 11th, 11:30AM, at Magnolia's, upstairs.

The **Good Grief Group** for ladies who are widows will have lunch on Thursday, August 19th, 11AM at Friendly's Restaurant, 4705 N. Kings Hwy, MB. **Please RSVP** to Suzie Wheeler, **843-424-6323**.

Volunteer Opportunity—ABCs—Acolytes, Bible Bearers, Crucifers

Acolytes & Bible Bearers (grades 2-6) and Acolytes & Crucifers (grades 6-12) serve in Traditional Worship. Acolytes carry the light into and out of worship signifying the light of Christ in the world. Bible Bearers bring God's Holy Word (Bible) to the altar as we study scripture. Crucifers processes with the cross representing Christ's presence with us. Training is provided. Scheduling relies upon volunteer response. To sign up, please contact Rhonda Singleton at rsingle@sccoast.net.

Children's Choirs/Handbells rehearsals will return on Sunday August 22nd in the Wesley Building from 4:15PM to 5:30PM (see the full schedule in *The Steeple*).

Adult Chancel Choir and Adult Handbell Choir will return to rehearsals on Wednesday, August 11th at their regularly scheduled times (see *The Steeple*).

VENMO is an electronic giving option available for use with a cell phone. Open the camera icon on your cell phone and hold it over the QR code (to the right). Tap on the link at the top of the screen to open the VENMO app then follow instructions to give electronically. Another option is to download the **VENMO app** on a cellular device and search **@firstchurchmb** to proceed with giving options.



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Attendance

Members and guests, kindly pass the attendance book along the pew for everyone to register their attendance.

Sunday School

Classes are available for Children age 3 through Adult every Sunday from 9:45-10:45 AM.

Ask the ushers for children's Wiggle Bags, hearing devices and large print hymnals

Children

First Church invites families to worship together. We offer "Little Church" to children ages 3 through 1st grade following the Children's Message in worship. Little Church is a child-friendly "mini" worship service in room 201 of the Wesley Building (upstairs). Parents, please pick up your children immediately after worship.

The **Flowers** that beautify our sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God and in honor of Jim and Carolyn Creel on their anniversary by their children.

Flowers are needed for the following dates: Oct 10, 31; Nov 14, 21, 28. To place flowers in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Jennifer Julian in the church office, 843-448-7164 or jennifer@fumcmb.org.

We welcome our guests today and pray that you will experience the presence of Christ in our worship together.

Sunday Worship may be viewed Live on Facebook at 8:30AM or on the website (www.fumcmb.org), on our mobile app, or on FOX TV Sundays at 10AM on channel 7 (one week delay).

Masks are required today. Distancing for those vaccinated is optional. Please be respectful of others.

Assisting in Worship

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8:30 TBD

11:00 Clark Butler, Gene Butler, Tracey Connor, Alec McMillan, Keith McMillan

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