

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

February 15, 2026
Morning Worship
10:45 a.m.



WORDS OF WELCOME

ORGAN PRELUDE

"Allein Gott in der Hoh Sei Ehr" by G. Bohm

Dr. Jessica Scott

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: On this Transfiguration Sunday, we gather on the mountaintop with Jesus, wondering what we will encounter.

People: We come to encounter God's glory revealed.

Leader: We witness the revelation of Christ's divinity made plain before us.

People: We come to witness God's glory revealed.

Leader: We remember that God's glory is not about spectacle but truth, not about show but about Love made real among us.

People: We come to remember God's glory revealed.

Leader: We follow Jesus down from the mountaintop into the valleys, as God's glory goes before us and behind us.

People: We come to be sent out to share God's glory revealed. Thanks be to God!
Amen.

Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, July 2025

*OPENING HYMN #173

"Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

*PASSING OF GOD'S PEACE

PASTORAL 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.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Laudamus Te from *Gloria* by A. Vivaldi

Soprano I: Dr. Debra Dean Murphy, Alto: Dr. Jessica Scott, Piano: Dr. Melody Meadows

Laudamus te,	We praise you,
Benedicimus te,	We bless you,
Adoramus te,	We adore you,
Glorificamus te.	We glorify you.

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS "This is Where Children Belong" TFWS #2233

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng.
Water, God's word, bread and cup, prayer and song: This is where children belong.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 17:1-9

After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus.

Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!" When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. But Jesus came and touched them. "Get up," he said. "Don't be afraid." When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus. As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus instructed them, "Don't tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

“A Gentle Nudge”
(you are encouraged to use this space for notes)

Rev. Michael Atkinson

OFFERTORY MUSIC

“This Is My Song” by John Innes
Organ: Dr. Jessica Scott, Piano: Dr. Melody Meadows

*DOXOLOGY

U.M.H #94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*CLOSING HYMN #2103 T.F.W.S. “We Have Come at Christ's Own Bidding”

*BENEDICTION

Come down from the mountain with mountain-like faith. Walk on God's paths as bright, shining lights. Live in God's ways with faith, hope, and love. Go into the world transformed and renewed!

From the Abingdon Worship Annual. Posted on the Cokesbury website, <http://www.cokesbury.com/forms/DynamicContent.aspx?pageid=830&id=198>.

POSTLUDE

“Toccatà on Leoni” by Gordon Young

Dr. Scott

SOUPEL BOWL OF CARING UPDATE

From start to finish we had a wonderful time and the true winners are The Mustard Seed and the First Church Backpack Program! Collected were 271 items + \$448 in \$\$\$. Our Team Trivia agreed with the donation prediction ... Donations picked the Seahawks ... Team Trivia has the Seahawks winning 14-77 ... Congratulations to Team 10 for scoring 2 of those touchdowns and scoring a fun snack basket to share. (Beth Skidmore)

Today's Worship Participants

Liturgist: Amy Gardner

Ushers: Georgia Daniels, Richard Berdine, Rick and Jane Lynn Squires

Altar: Carolyn Yost Livestream: Mathew Wray

Acolyte: Carson Wray

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



**Kyle Harris
Joretta Lewis
Diane Davis
Robert Winfrey
Jim & Rose Cole
Ted Lemasters
Family and Friends of
Levi Mitchell**

The Children of FUMC

THIS WEEK AT FUMC

- **Tuesday, Feb. 17**— Outreach Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- **Wednesday, Feb. 18** — Bell Rehearsal, 11:00 a.m.
—Monastic Meal, 12:15 p.m.
—Ash Wednesday Service, Quiet Dell UMC, 7:00 p.m.
- **Thursday, Feb. 19**—Prayer Shawl group, 5-6 p.m.
- **Sunday, Feb. 22** — Choir Rehearsal, 9:30 a.m.

Acolyte & Usher Training

Anyone who has signed up or is interested in learning more please stay after worship on **Sunday, February 22 for a brief training.**
Children 2nd grade and up, Teens, Adults

Ash Wednesday Service

There will be a parish wide service at **Quiet Dell UMC on Wednesday, February 18 at 7:00 p.m.**

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