

Let everyone who is thirsty for the Spirit
“Come.” Let anyone who wishes “Come,”
and receive the water of life as a gift.

**We come to rejoice in the Holy One, our
God. We give thanks for God’s steadfast
love that brings joy to our hearts in the
night, lights our lives like the dawn, and
sets us free. Amen.**

†Hymn UMH 731
“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

Opening Prayer

*Reform, O God, the passions and designs of our
hearts. Let your steady hand guide the nations,
and bring forth out of our discord a harmony
more perfect than we can conceive – a new
humility, a new understanding, a new purity and
sincerity, a new sense of truth, and a new
hunger and thirst for your love to rule the earth.*

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Lesson Ezekiel 47:6b-12

“Lead Me, Lord” S. S. Wesley
Mary Ann McConnell, Soprano Soloist
Chancel Choir

Children’s Time (11am)
(Children 3 years through 3rd grade may leave for
children’s church AFTER this.)

†Hymn TFWS 2145
“I’ve Got Peace Like a River”

New Testament Lesson Revelation 22:1–5

Sermon Rev. Keith Ritchie
Finding God in the City

†Affirmation of Faith UMH 888
I Corinthians and Colossians

†Passing the Peace

THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER:

SICK or A SPECIAL NEED: Rachel Catoe,
Tommy Adkins, Tyler Wooldridge, Martha Clark,
Katherine Heldreth, Pam Robertson, Tommy
Warren, Deborah Hite, Lillian Holland, Marilyn
Bremner, June Williams (Rebecca Crabtree’s
mother), Charlotte Klingman, Del Martin (Shirley
Self’s nephew), Jonathan Storch (Marian Myers’
grandson), Briggs Favero-Wylie, Pastor Stanley
Waddell, Lillie Sapp, Missy Lannom, Mickey
Johnston (Sharon Clanton’s brother), Lauren Prince,
Kenneth Moore, Donald Moore, Tommy Adkins,
Nellie Stanley (Shirley Self’s aunt), Heavenly
Harris, Patsy Harris, Autumn Harris, Teresa Hill,
Rita Pruitt, Richard Eggleton (Lynn Shumate’s
cousin), Lawrence Crigger, Dee Whetstone (Cheryl
Anderson’s aunt), Mark Roberson. *Please call the
church office to add or remove names on our prayer list. If
we have removed someone you wished to remain on the
prayer list, we are sorry. Please notify the church office to
have the person added.*

SHUT-IN: Dodie Bach, Meta Roth, Neza Jolly,
Barbara Rainey, Nancy Nash, Manota Thompson,
Ruby Gibson, Melanie Soulos, Helen Cook, Zora
Roberson

The Wesley Guild has stained glass notecards for
sale. The cards are of our church’s stained glass
windows, and a set of 12 is \$30. Individual cards
are available for \$3/each. Contact Kim Snyder if
interested.

Wesley Guild is selling pecans. Pecan pieces
(\$12/pound) will be delivered early in time for your
holiday needs. Pecan halves (\$13/pound) will be
delivered in early November. Also available are
chocolate covered pecans (\$7/6 oz.). The pecans
can also be purchased at Reflections.

Thank you those who have volunteered to hand out
hot chocolate at the Christmas parade, allowing us
to have enough volunteers to continue this mission.

Food Bank is collecting boxes of cereal for the
month of November.

Salvation Army Angel Trees are in the breezeway
and chapel narthex. Gifts need to be returned by
December 3.

Operation Christmas Child boxes are due back
TODAY! If you forgot yours today, please bring it
to the church **by Tuesday, November 13.**

On Tuesday, November 27, the ladies will begin
another Liz Curtis Higgs’ study for Advent - *The
Women of Christmas*. This study will be at noon on
Tuesdays and go through December 18.

A **four-week Advent study** focusing on the birth of
Jesus as found in the gospels of Matthew and Luke
will **begin on Tuesday evening, November 27, at
6:30pm.** The study will be held in the Uptown
Ministry Center. All are welcome, but we are asking
that you please register by contacting the church
office (office@fumcmartinsville.net or 638-8733).

**Please remember the invitation to remember
General Conference 2019,** by praying each day
from 2:23 – 2:26 as we in the UMC prepare for this
conference, to be held February 23 – 26 in St.
Louis.

**First Baptist Church, Martinsville, is to install
the Rev. Libby M. Grammer** as its new pastor at
5pm, November 18. Rev. Grammer has kindly
invited members of FUMC to this service; a
reception is to follow. Please let me know if you
would like to attend, so that FBC may plan
accordingly.

Senior Pastor, Keith Ritchie
Director of Programs/Children’s Ministries,
Annette Huckfeldt
Director of Music Ministries/Organist, Jill Gardner
Children’s Music Ministry/Accompanist,
Beth Chapman

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The Giving Of Our Gifts

Offertory

†Doxology UMH 94

Responsive Prayer and Prayers of the People

God, we pray for those who returned from battle forever changed by what they had seen – for those who bore, and still bear, wounds of body and soul. In particular we remember those from within this community who have died since the last time we gathered in this way....

And now, God of love, as we have remembered and honored, we prepare to go back into our everyday lives. May the remembering we have done here today reawaken and strengthen our commitment to work for peace, true peace.

Help us to remember that peace will never truly come from any kind of weapon, but from the depths of our hearts. Help us remember our calling to be peacemakers at home and abroad, in the big things and in the small. And may we never forget the cost that has already been paid.

God of peace that surpasses all understanding, we pray our remembrances and our hopes in the name of Christ, the Prince of Peace.

Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

†Hymn UMH 723
"Shall We Gather at the River"

† Choral Benediction P.C. Lutkin
"The Lord Bless You and Keep You"

†Postlude

†Carrying Christ's Light into the World

†Indicates standing interval if you are able.

A cordial invitation is extended to you to worship with us regularly. If you would like to become a member of First Church, please speak to the pastor.

**CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF
November 11, 2018**

Early Learning Center Monday – Friday 6:30 am – 6:00 pm

The church office hours are
8 am–5 pm Monday–Thursday.

The church office will be closed 12:30 pm–1:30 pm for lunch.

Sun.	Nov. 11	12:30 pm	JAMZ
Mon.	Nov. 12	10:00 am 3:30 pm	Adult Puppets Children's Choirs & Puppets
Tues.	Nov. 13	10:00 am 10:00 am 12:00 pm 7:00 pm	Lunch Bunch Circle 2 (Hospitality Room) Ladies' Bible Study (UMC) Chancel Choir
Wed.	Nov. 14	10:30 pm 12:00 pm	Staff Meeting Seniors Unlimited
Thur.	Nov. 15	10:00 am 6:00 pm	Lunch Bunch Church Council
Fri.	Nov. 16		Office Closed
Sat.	Nov. 17	8:30 am	Food Bank & Clothes Closet

USHERS: Woods Carter, J.C. Compton, Craig Dietrich, Don Eanes, Will Gravely, David McConnell

COUNTERS: Joe Philpott, Connie Roberts, Betsy Gravely

SOUND TECHNICIAN: Paul Huckfeldt

VIDEO: Craig Dietrich

ACOLYTE: Lillie Cate Sapp

CHILDREN'S CHURCH: Meredith Vaughn

NURSERY: Mary Barnes

We have equipment for the hearing impaired. If you wish to use this equipment, please see an usher.

Nursery (beside the Read Robins class) available for infants through three-year olds for Sunday School and 11:00am.



**Welcome to
First United
Methodist Church**

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST**



November 11, 2018 8:45 am & 11:00am

*WELCOME to this celebration of worship where we
remember God's saving grace in Jesus Christ!*

Fellowship & Ministry Announcements

Please let us know you worshipped with us today by signing the friendship pad and passing it down the pew.

Prelude

(Bringing in the Light of Christ during Prelude)

Chimes

The chimes will ring 11 times on the 11:00 hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, (November 11, 2018 at 11:00 am) to recognize Armistice Day, the day that brought a cessation of fighting during the Great War. 2018 marks the 100th anniversary of Armistice Day.

Choral Introit "This Is the Day!" D. Besig

†Call to Worship

The Spirit of God bids us, "Come." Let everyone who hears within their hearts "Come." Hear the whole earth rejoice and the coastlands sing of our God's steadfast love.

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