

SERMON NOTES
"Sometimes It Takes Courage To Stand Still"
1 Thessalonians 2:1-8



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Helping persons take their next steps toward God,
and together, growing as disciples of Jesus Christ

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
October 29, 2017
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
8:30 SERVICE ON THE SCREEN 11:00 SERVICE BELOW



WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREET ONE ANOTHER

PRELUDE "Take Time to Be Holy" (Chopin/Stebbins)

(Please pass the attendance book in your row.)

(Guests, please be sure to list your address, phone number and email address.)

SERVICE OF LIGHT

Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: God has been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were raised up, before the universe was even formed, God has been there for us.

P: So let us live in him, rooted and established in the faith of Christ, and abounding in thanksgiving.

L: Love God, and love your neighbor. All the laws of Moses, and all the teaching of the prophets, hang on these two commandments.

P: May the love of God be upon us, establishing whatever is loving in the work of our hands.

ALL: Yes, let God establish all this is loving in the work of our hands.

MORNING HYMN UMH No. 432 "Jesu, Jesu"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

The money today in the Children's Coin Jar will go to support the efforts of the United Methodist Committee on Relief, (UMCOR).

All 1st-5th graders are welcome to join the Children's Church in the Orange Room on the second floor during the 11:00 Worship Service.

ANTHEM "Footprints on the Water" (Wilkinson/Habedank) Chancel Choir
Chris MacVean

JOYS, CONCERNS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH No. 895

Our Father, who are 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.

WORSHIP WITH TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory – "Mercy, Come In" (Cottrell/Story) Chancel Choir

Doxology – UMH No. 95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

HYMN OF FAITH UMH No. 163 "Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know"

SCRIPTURE I Thessalonians 2:1-8

SERMON "Sometimes It Takes Courage To Stand Still" Brian Seders

HYMN OF INVITATION UMH No. 128

"He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought" vs 1-3

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Just a Little Talk With Jesus" (spiritual)

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS (as of October 22)

RECOVERING AT HOME – Jim Bibey, Lisa Jones, Debbie Welshonce, Dee White
MILITARY – Joel DiStefano (Andy Montgomery's cousin), Sgt. Lantz Elbon (Tim and Beth Conklin's son-in-law), Tyler Fretwell, Max Jeffries (Heidi Jeffries' son), Robert Jerow (Jerry Jerow's son), Ryan Murphy, Tristan Reneau, (Carolyn Shepler's nephew), Patrick Spears, Isaac Stalnaker (Denise "Stalnaker" Losh's son), Patrick Thompson (Sue Mallow's Son), Joel Timmons (Seth and Michelle Pratt's son-in-law), Aaron Wetsch, Max White (Andy Montgomery's nephew), Sgt. Megan White (Kit Phillips' niece), Ann Urban

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS – Crosby Bender, Jack Calain, Dee Clark, Maxine Cooper, Gary Crawford, Mary Sue Daniels, Mike Despar, Ryan DiBacco (John DiBacco's son), Don Fitzwater, Nellie Galford, Barbara Halperin (Rachel Montgomery's mother), Skylar Harman, Jeri Hatch, Amelya Hensley, Janis Hensley, Ruth Hepler, Mike Herron, Bob Hinkle, Halie House, Evonne Howell, Kendra Kalar, Lois Kessler, Dana Kirkpatrick, Jack Maynard (Seth Maynard's son), Jim and Patty McCloud, Sharon McQuain, Norma Kerr Metzger, Jeremiah Myers, Alex Nelson, Roy Nelson, Bill Patterson, John Phillips (Jennifer Wanless' father), Joan Plant, Tommy and Anne Pritt (Dale Goodman's cousins), Nancy Rotruck (Jane Corley's sister), Frank Santmyer, Tommy Scott (Bill Umbright's grandson), Jason Snyder, Norma Stalnaker, Steve Stemple, Margie Sutton, Miranda Trader, Hollis Vance, Betty Walden, Dick Walden, Lewis Ware, Tom Williams, Margaret Winans

COLONIAL PLACE – Rose Barnett, Hope Caplinger, Jo Criss, Millie Metheny,

Mary Margaret Morrison, Katie Sayres

ERCC – Dixie Gutmann, Paul Mullins, Katie Pingley, Connie Pizzino

LAVENDAR FIELDS – Helen Kramer

NELLA'S - Mabel Phares

VALENTINE'S – Robert Fretwell

✠CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY✠

We express our sympathy to the family of Eva Stalnaker.

Daily Bible Readings

Mon – Hosea 12 Thurs – Revelation 7:9-17 Sun – Matthew 5:1-12

Tues – Hosea 13 Fri – Psalm 34:1-10, 22

Wed – Hosea 14 Sat – I John 3:1-3

Weekly Memory Verse:

"Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is." I John 3:2

Theme for Sunday, November 5:

Scripture Passage: Ephesians 2:8

Sermon Title: "Prevenient Grace"

Operation Christmas Child News

Thanks to all who have contributed in any way to Operation Christmas Child. We have already packed 360 gift filled shoeboxes! We need 940 more to reach our goal of 1,300. For those who haven't had a chance to contribute, we can accept monetary donations until November 12th. If you want to donate shoebox items the following items are needed most: soap, washcloths, Crayons, large erasers, notebooks, dolls, balls, girl's hair accessories, small cars/trucks. Do not include war related toys, liquids, candy, gum, or toothpaste. There are still 3 openings for volunteers to go to the Processing Center in Charlotte, NC
Please contact Bob Cowgill for more information if you want to go ASAP.

The Annual Church Conference
(Highland Parish Charge Conference)
has been scheduled for Sunday, November 5th
at 3 pm in the FLC.

I will support my church with my presence and gifts"

October 22, 2017

ATTENDANCE:

8:30 AM Worship 33

Sunday School 30

11 AM Worship 156

GIFTS: Weekly Collection \$ 8,911.74

Our 2017 Budget is \$436,000.

TYRAND'S PARTNERS IN MISSION

SCHEDULED ITEMS FOR TYRAND'S THANKSGIVING AND CHRISTMAS BASKETS:

Oct. 29 – pork & beans; Nov. 5 – canned potatoes;

Nov. 12 – canned fruit; Nov. 19 – cookies; Nov. 26 – hand soap

Donations for the Thanksgiving Baskets need to be in before

November 14th and donations for the Christmas Baskets need to be in

before December 5th. Collection containers will be placed in the

vestibule and by the church office.

The Backpack Food Program needs YOUR help!

We are presently collecting food items to include: granola bars, oatmeal, canned ravioli, fruit cups, veggie cups, snack cracker packs and puddings. Please drop off your items in the bin marked "BACKPACK PROGRAM" by the church office or you may make a donation and earmark your check "Backpack Program". This is an ongoing school project. Monetary, school supplies and food donations are always appreciated. Thank you for your continued support to help the children in Randolph County



UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

Staff meeting on Monday, October 30, 2017 at 9:00 am.

Staff-Parish Relations Committee Meeting will be on Tuesday,
November 7th at 6:00 pm in the Parlor.

Finance Committee Meeting will be on Tuesday, November 7th
at 6:30 pm in the Parlor.

Church Council Meeting will be on Tuesday, November 7th
at 7:00 pm in the Parlor.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Thursday, 8:30 AM – 3 PM / Friday 8:30 AM – 12-noon PH: 304-636-0660

Pastor: Brian Seders (304-636-0406 Home)

Administrative Assistant: Rhonda Elmer

Director of Christian Education: Kary Kramer

Financial Secretary: Danielle Taylor

Music Director: Gale Poe

Pastor Emeritus: Basil Hensley

Custodian: Angela Kisner

Nursery Worker: Jennifer Wanless

COME, SHARE, REJOICE...

SUNDAY, October 29 (Matthew 22:34-40)

8:30 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

9:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

11:00 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHURCH / Orange Room (1st-5th Graders)

5:00 PM G.L.O.W. FAMILY FESTIVAL / FLC (5PM-7PM)

MONDAY, October 30 (Joshua 3:7-17)

SET UP FOR COUNTRY STORE / Fellowship Hall-Basement

U.M. WOMEN MAKING CANDY IN KITCHEN

9:00 AM QUILTERS / Basement – **WILL NOT MEET!**

9:00 AM STAFF MEETING / Sunday School Room

10:00 AM CREED BIBLE STUDY / Parlor

6:00 PM DEN 1 MEETING (Harris) / FLC

7:00 PM CONWAYRINGERS REHEARSAL / Handbell Room

7:00 PM DEN 3 MEETING (Straley) / Middle School Room (Blue Room)

TUESDAY, October 31 (Revelation 7:9-17)

SET UP FOR COUNTRY STORE / Fellowship Hall-Basement

5:00 PM DEN 2 MEETING (Ward) / FLC (5PM-6PM)

6:00 PM DEN 6 MEETING (Reed) / Youth Sunday School Room

7:00 PM TROOP 88 MEETING / Scout Room Basement

WEDNESDAY, November 1 (Revelation 7:9-17)

SET UP FOR COUNTRY STORE / Fellowship Hall-Basement

10:00 AM BIBLE STUDY / Parlor – **WILL NOT MEET!**

7:00 PM CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL / Choir Room

THURSDAY, November 2 (Matthew 23:1-10)

U.M. WOMEN'S FALL BAZAAR

9:00 AM COUNTRY STORE / Fellowship Hall-Basement (9AM-3PM)

10:00 AM LUNCHEON, BAKED GOODS AND VENDORS / FLC (10:30AM – 1PM)

6:30 PM BACKPACK PROGRAM / FLC Stage

FRIDAY, November 3 (Matthew 23:11-12)

9:00 AM COUNTRY STORE / Fellowship Hall-Basement (9AM-12PM)

SATURDAY, November 4 (I Thessalonians 2:9-13)

LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT SUNDAY, November 5 (Matthew 23:8-10)

8:30 AM CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

9:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

11:00 AM TRADITIONAL WORSHIP

11:00 AM CHILDREN'S CHURCH / Orange Room (1st-5th Graders)

3:00 PM HIGHLAND PARISH CHARGE CONFERENCE / FLC



THE G.L.O.W. FAMILY FESTIVAL has been scheduled for **Sunday, October 29th** from 5:00-7:00 PM in the **FAMILY LIFE CENTER!!** Come G.L.O.W. with us at the Family Festival as "God Lights Our Way" **LOTS OF FUN ACTIVITIES** including a Hay Ride (parents are asked to chaperone their child/children), **THE BOUNCE CASTLE, GAMES, FOOD, AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!!**



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN'S donation for mission quilt tickets are available! \$5 per ticket or 5 tickets for \$20. Tickets may be purchased from any U.M. Women's member or in the church office. The beautiful quilt is displayed in front of the church office. Drawing will be held on Thursday, November 2nd, Bazaar day.



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN'S FALL BAZAAR is coming up.
Any crafter wishing to set up a table, please get in touch with Kathy Hitchcock at 304-636-7236. Cost: ½ table-\$10 or whole table-\$20.

2018 UPPER ROOM DISCIPLINE

PURCHASE FORM

If you would like to purchase a 2018 Upper Room Discipline, please fill out the form below and return it to the church office with your payment. Since we have a limited number of Disciplines, it will be first come first serve.

_____ Yes, I would like to purchase a 2018 Edition of the Upper Room Discipline at \$10.50.

_____ Yes, I would like to purchase a 2018 Edition of the Upper Room Discipline, Enlarged Print at \$12.

Please make checks payable to First UMC.

Thank You

First United Methodist Church

Women's Fall Bazaar

315 Kerens Avenue

Downtown Elkins

Thursday, November 2nd

Luncheon 10:30 - 1:00

Luncheon Menu

Potato Soup....Vegetable Soup	\$1.00 each
Hot Dogs ...Pepperoni Rolls	\$1.00 each
Pulled Pork Sandwiches	\$2.00 each
Desserts or Fruit Cups	\$1.00 each

Complimentary Drinks

Country Store, Baked Goods, and Vendors

Country Store Hours:

Thursday November 2nd 9:00-3:00

Friday November 3rd 9:00-12:00

