

PRAYER REQUEST

NAME – Please Print

Person or situation for which you are requesting prayer.

- ☐ Share this information with the congregation.
- ☐ For Pastors Only
- ☐ For Pastors & Prayer Team Only

OTHER INVITATIONS

Travelers Game:

Take me out to the ball game! Join us on Sunday, July 25 at 2 p.m. at Dickey Stephens Park for the Travelers game! We will eat together, laugh together, and cheer on the Travs together. The cost for this event is \$16 which covers your ticket to the game along with an all you can eat hotdog and hamburger meal! Sign-up below, and we'll email or call to get you registered.

Name: _____

Contact: _____

We need volunteers:

If you would like to be sure that others feel that same sense of welcome, please consider volunteering for one of our Sunday morning hospitality roles. We are looking for greeters, ushers, and hosts for different services and ministries throughout the Sunday morning experience. If you are interested in being a friendly face for our community, please check your interest below!

Name: _____

- ☐ Greeter
- ☐ Usher
- ☐ Host

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

SUNDAY, July 18, 2021

- 8:30 am First Cup Café
- 9:00 am First Word (Cokesbury Center)
- 9:45 am Communion (Chapel)
- 9:45 am Sunday School
- 11:00 am First Tradition (Sanctuary)
- 6:00 pm First YOUth

MONDAY, July 19, 2021

- 9:00 am Flower Girls
- 12:00 pm Life Group: Caring for Aging Parents

TUESDAY, July 20, 2021

- 7:00 am Tuesday Study Group
- 9:00 am Staff Meeting
- 10:30 am Worship Planning
- 12:00 pm Prayer w/ a Pastor
- 6:00 pm Honoring Life Class
- 6:30 pm Enneagram Group

THURSDAY, July 22, 2021

- 10:00 am PALs Journey Group

Youth Families:

For when families are traveling, I wanted to share something that may be of use during these next couple of months. Below is a link to a document for you to use any or all of during this summer, whether on road trips, vacations, or heading to sports competitions.

It's got a few activities, some prayer practices, various prayers for trips, some scripture, and discussion.

Go to this link bit.ly/FirstYouthTravel

You’re Invited! Baby Shower

Two of our FANN for Children and Families moms are expecting this Fall. We want to celebrate and shower them with love. FANN is one of our food ministries at First Church. These moms have been with us since the beginning of the program. On Sunday, August 15 join us in First Cup Café from 10:00am-11:00am. You are invited to bring diapers, wipes, or donations to be shared between them. Let’s show them the FUMCLR love and hospitality!



WELCOME TO FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH IN DOWNTOWN LITTLE ROCK. We have embraced our role in urban ministry. Our members and friends come because they are attracted to our vitality, warmth, friendliness, and energy. They stay because we travel with them on their journey.

ONES FOR THE MANY. Each week all the \$1 bills placed in the offering plate are donated to ‘Ones for the Many.’ These donations will go to support our friends and neighbors who visit us in need of birth certificates, state ids, prescriptions, and a place of rest in the Community Cafe. Your donations go directly back to our community.

AUDIO AND VIDEO OF TODAY’S SERVICE IS AVAILABLE. CD’s and DVD’s of today’s service are available by calling the church office at 501.372.2256 or by emailing Lesley Andrews at landrews@fumclr.org.

ATTENTION PARENTS. We understand that worshipping with children can be an adventure, but it is an essential part of their growth in Christ. If your child is staying in worship, we have busy bags hanging on the hooks just outside both entrances. The narthex is the entrance from Center Street and bags are located to the left as you enter. The other entrance, from the hallway behind the sanctuary, has bags as well.

First United Methodist Church

723 Center Street • Little Rock, AR 72201 • 501.372.2256 • fumclr.org

Follow us on social media: facebook.com/fumclr twitter.com/fumclr



July 18, 2021 • Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING

PRELUDE

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say Stephen Burtonwood

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. David C. Freeman

Gather all, for the day has begun.
Come, let us live by faith
You bright-eyed and energetic; you broken and weary,
Come, let us live by faith.
You who joyfully invite the coming day; you who reluctantly enter into the unknown,
Come, let us live by faith.
Listening with open ears to all Jesus has to say to us —
Come, let us live by faith.
Discovering with open eyes where the Spirit is leading us —
Come, let us live by faith.
Discerning with open hearts what God Almighty is stirring in us —
Come, let us live by faith.
Hearts united-- though many, yet one—
Come, let us worship and place our faith in the Lord God.

† PASSING THE PEACE

May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

† OPENING HYMN 140

Great is Thy Faithfulness FAITHFULNESS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Haley Jones

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Habakkuk 2: 1-4, 3: 17-19
The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON Majors from the Minors: Habakkuk Rev. David C. Freeman

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

OFFERTORY
O Love That Will Not Let Me Go Arr. Gerald Anderson

† DOXOLOGY 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.

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

† INVITATION

† FIRST CHURCH VISION STATEMENT
As a community and individuals, we seek to be good neighbors to make Little Rock a place where children THRIVE. Through our own faith development and active engagement with our community, we will work for the core values we believe all children of God need; Trust, Health, Relationships, Imagination, Value, and Education.

SENDING FORTH IN THE NAME OF GOD

† HYMN OF COMMITMENT 377
It is Well With My Soul VILLE DU HARVE

During the singing of the hymn, individuals desiring to join the church are asked to come to the chancel so the pastors may offer membership vows and welcome you to the congregation.

† BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE
Love Divine, All Loves Excelling Stephen Burtonwood

Two new online connection points - First Look & First Steps!

First Look: Prepare your heart and mind for worship through this short peek into what is coming on Sunday morning. Each Saturday at noon both on Facebook and our website you will have the chance to begin the worship experience through music, scripture, and a some food for thought. This is also an easy way to invite friends and neighbors to join you in worship by sharing this short look into worship at First.

First Steps: On Sundays at 5 p.m. we are offering an opportunity to engage your faith and worship online through our First Steps worship service. This service will be offered on Facebook and our website as a continuation of our Sunday morning worship. Our hope is that this service will give you tangible ways to live out your faith in the week to come. Whether or not you joined us for worship on Sunday morning, this service will be an opportunity prepare to take your first faith-filled steps into the week.

Looking for: Friendly Hosts

On Sunday morning, so many of us find a spiritual home at First Church. If you would like to be sure that others feel that same sense of welcome, please consider volunteering for one of our Sunday morning hospitality roles. We are looking for greeters, ushers, and hosts for different services and ministries throughout the Sunday morning experience. If you are interested in being a friendly face for our community, please let us know by filling out this form (<https://fumclr.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/31/responses/new>) or contacting Rev. Brittany. If you have any questions, reach out to Rev. Brittany or Lesley Andrews.

Sign-up for the game on your Journey Card!



ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE

Clergy: Rev. David C. Freeman, Rev. Haley Jones
Music & Worship Arts: James Stanley, Scott Schallhorn
Audio/Visual: Christopher Cone
Altar Guild: Linda Baker
Liturgist: Carol Roddy
Altar Flowers: To the glory of God and in loving memory of our son, Hunter David Hickey, given by Lanny Hickey & Greg Daniels.
IN OUR PRAYERS
Requesting Prayer: Sara Hickman, Pat Blackstone, Brad Jordan, Ed Wyers, Ceile Faulkner, Ron Clark, Ben Jordan, Kyle Linson

PASTORAL CARE

Rev. David Freeman, Senior Pastor
Cell: 479.409.4893
Email: dfreeman@fumclr.org

Rev. Donna Hankins, Associate Pastor
Cell: 501.319.5683
Email: dhankins@fumclr.org

Looking for people to spread love, friendship and flowers!

The Flower Girl Ministry is looking for new team members. If you like spreading sunshine and working with flowers, this endearing service opportunity is just for you. Each Monday morning the group meets to divide Sunday’s altar flowers into smaller arrangements for delivery to members in their home. They’d love new friends to join the fun! If you are interested, you can let me know or contact Barbara Gilbert-Wise directly. A weekly commitment is not required. Thank you! Donna, dhankins@fumclr.org



☐ CHECK IF FIRST-TIME GUEST

FULL NAME – Please Print

CHILDREN & YOUTH PRESENT TODAY
Names & Ages

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____

EMAIL(s) _____

☐ My info has changed.
Please update my records.

- ☐ Repeat Guest
- ☐ Member
- ☐ Friend
- ☐ Subscribe to E-Newsletter
- ☐ I am interested in joining FUMC.
- ☐ I would like more information about FUMC.
- ☐ I would like a call from the pastor