



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PENSACOLA

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

October 2, 2022 | 8:30 and 11:00am



Boy Praying (by the Nigerian sculptor Ben Enwonwu)
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Welcome to First Church

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us this morning! This Methodist congregation was founded in December of 1821. Now in 2022, we are marking an incredible 200 years of worship and service in this great community! We are the oldest Protestant church in the area and the oldest Methodist church in Florida. It's an historic church that preserves the past and embraces the future, and we want you to be a part of that future. We are entering a new era of ministry and service, and there's a place here for you.

VISITORS

If you are visiting with us at First Church, we are so glad you're here! We invite you to leave us your information in our registration pads so we can contact you in a more personal way. We hope that you enjoy your visit and we hope that you will consider becoming a member of our church family. You can contact Lacey Adair, Assimilation Director, for more information about how to get involved at First Church. Email LAdair@FUMCPensacola.com.

NURSERY AND CHILDREN'S BULLETINS

Nursery is available this morning for children up to five years old. If you need help locating the nursery, please see an usher or greeter for assistance. Also, children's worship bulletins and crayons are available at the entrances.

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Today is World Communion Sunday. World Communion Sunday is an annual celebration observed by a number of Christian denominations on the first Sunday of October. It is a time of profound Christian unity and ecumenical cooperation, marked by our shared celebration of the Lord's Supper. Jesus instituted the first such meal, and World Communion Sunday is a helpful way in which Christ calls us back together to celebrate the liturgy.

HOW WE RECEIVE COMMUNION

All are invited to receive communion in the United Methodist Church. The method for receiving communion is *intinction*; it is the ancient Eucharistic practice of *receiving* the consecrated bread into your open hands and then *dipping* it into the consecrated grape juice before *consuming*. If you need communion brought to you, please let an usher know and communion will be served to you in your seat. Gluten free wafers are available at the center station for those that need them. After you receive communion please feel free to kneel and pray at the rail as long as you like. Any offerings given during communion will go to the pastor's discretionary fund.

OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

8:30 and 11:00am

Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

World Communion Sunday

ENTRANCE

GATHERING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Dr. Rick Branch, *organ*

“Linstead” *arr. John A. Behnke*

CHIMING OF THE HOUR *

CALL TO WORSHIP *

8:30, Rev. Brandon Bures

Almighty God: from the ends of the earth
you have gathered us around Christ's holy table.

11:00, Ashley Meyer

We come to feast together.

Have mercy on your church, troubled and divided.

Renew us and make us one. Amen. [2 Timothy 1]

OPENING HYMN *

“Forward Through the Ages” **no. 555**

COLLECT *

Almighty Father, whose blessed Son before his passion prayed for his disciples that they might be one, as you and he are one: Grant that your Church, being bound together in love and obedience to you, may be united in one body by the one Spirit, that the world may believe in him whom you have sent, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

HYMN *

“We Are the Church” (stzs. 1,2) **no. 558**

WELCOME & REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE

Please register your attendance on the registration pads. If you are visiting with us, we're glad you're here! Please include your address, phone number, and email so that we may welcome you in a more personal way.

ANTHEM

8:30, “How Beautiful” Twila Paris Women’s Ensemble
11:00, “God Gives the Song” Craig Courtney Sanctuary Choir

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Children may come down to the front of the sanctuary as we sing.

**Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus,
to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him.
Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen.
Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.**

CHILDREN'S SERMON

EPISTLE LESSON

2 Timothy 1:1-14

8:30, Sara Hunt

11:00, Dr. Howell Tiller

At the end of his ministry, Paul exhorts Timothy to “not be ashamed” of the great truth of the gospel with which he has been entrusted.

GOSPEL LESSON *

Luke 17:3-10

Using the metaphor of a mustard seed, Jesus calls his disciples to a faith that can transplant trees. He then says that if they practice that faith, they are but doing what is expected of them.

SERMON

Rev. Emily Kincaid

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

“The Nicene Creed”

no. 880

GLORIA PATRI *

no. 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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

INVITATION, CONFESSION & PARDON

no. 12

OFFERTORY

8:30, “Didn’t My Lord Deliver Daniel?” *arr. Marianne Kim* Piano Duet
11:00, “Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ” *arr. Ellingboe* Sanctuary Choir

DOXOLOGY *

no. 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heav’nly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

no. 13

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.*

HOLY COMMUNION

*You are invited to come forward to the altar to receive the elements of Holy Communion.
Gluten-free wafers are available at the center communion station for those who need
them. After you take the elements, feel free to kneel and pray at the rail as long as you like.
Any offerings given during communion will go to the pastor's discretionary fund.*

“One Bread, One Body” **no. 620**

SENDING FORTH

CLOSING HYMN *

“Hymn of Promise” **no. 707**

BENEDICTION & GOING FORTH *

POSTLUDE

“Fantasia” *Johann Pachelbel*

*Stand as you are able

TODAY’S LECTIONARY SCRIPTURE

PROPER 22

The First Reading—Lamentations 1:1-6—The writer (Jeremiah?) observes the desolation of Jerusalem which has come under God’s righteous judgment.

The Psalter—Psalm 137—A lament (by Jeremiah?) of the captives in Babylon. Cut off from God, they mourn their plight.

The Second Reading—2 Timothy 1:1-14—At the end of his ministry, Paul exhorts Timothy to “not be ashamed” of the great truth of the gospel with which he has been entrusted.

The Gospel—Luke 17:5-10—Using the metaphor of a mustard seed, Jesus calls his disciples to a faith that can transplant trees. He then says that if they practice that faith, they are but doing what is expected of them.

DAILY READINGS - PROPER 22

Each of us is encouraged to read scripture during the week. It's a good practice if you don't already have a daily devotion. The scriptures below are designed to expand the range of biblical reading in worship and personal devotion. You can find them in the bulletin each week. The Daily Readings are taken from “The Daily Office Lectionary” in *The Book of Common Prayer*. Make a commitment to read each week. It will be a blessing.

	<u>Psalms</u>	<u>Old Test.</u>	<u>New Test.</u>	<u>Gospel</u>
MONDAY	106	Hosea 14:1-9	Acts 22:30--23:11	Luke 6:39-49
TUESDAY	124, 125, 126	Micah 1:1-9	Acts 23:12-24	Luke 7:1-17
WEDNESDAY	128, 129, 130	Micah 2:1-13	Acts 23:23-35	Luke 7:18-35
THURSDAY	134, 135	Micah 3:1-8	Acts 24:1-23	Luke 7:36-50
FRIDAY	141, 143:1-11	Micah 3:9--4:5	Acts 24:24--25:12	Luke 8:1-15
SATURDAY	104	Micah 5:1-4, 10-15	Acts 25:13-27	Luke 8:16-25

NEXT WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Join us next week here at First Church as we come together to worship God on the Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Dr. Geoffrey Lentz will preach in the 8:30 and 11:00am worship services here in the Main Sanctuary. The Rev. Brandon Bures will preach in the ICON worship service at 11:00am in Wesley Abbey. The Sanctuary Choir will sing at the 8:30am service. Next Sunday’s scriptures: *Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7* • *2 Timothy 2:8-15* • *Psalms 66:1-12 (UMH 790)* • *Luke 17:11-19*