



# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*a Stephen Ministry Congregation*

**AUGUST 1, 2021**  
**THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**EIGHT FORTY-FIVE AND ELEVEN O'CLOCK**

*Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ  
for the transformation of the world.*

**Dr. Jay D. Cooper**  
Senior Minister

**Reverend Lucas S. Tribble**  
Associate Minister

**Reverend Gillian L. Walters**  
Associate Minister

**Reverend Ben A. McDavid**  
Associate Minister

**Dr. C. Jason Borders**  
Theologian in Residence

**Dr. James H. Seay**  
Director of Music

**Dr. Karl K. Stegall**  
Pastor Emeritus

**Bishop David W. Graves**  
Bishop Alabama-West Florida  
Conference

**Dr. Joshua H. Coble**  
Organist/Assistant Director of Music

**Dr. C. Mike Pearson**  
District Superintendent  
Montgomery-Prattville District

**FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
2416 West Cloverdale Park | Montgomery, Alabama 36106

# MORNING WORSHIP

## LITURGICAL COLOR: GREEN

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Prelude Dr. Joshua H. Coble

Words of Welcome Dr. Jay D. Cooper

Chiming of the Trinity  
*The three chimes signify the presence of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

Introit *Surely the Presence of the Lord Is in This Place* Cathedral Choir  
Composed by Lanny Wolfe

\*Processional Hymn *O Church of God, United* UMH 547

\*Call to Worship Dr. C. Jason Borders

Leader: Let us praise God for all of our blessings,  
**People: That we might be united and gifted.**  
Leader: Come forth with humility, gentleness, and patience,  
**People: That we might bear love for one another.**

\*Invocation

Leader: The Lord be with you.  
**People: And also with you.**  
Leader: Let us pray together.  
**All: Giver of life, every day you rain down manna from heaven so that we can eat the bread of angels. Turn our complaints into gratitude, that we, as a church, may mature into the body of the risen Christ given for the life of the world. Amen.**

\*Affirmation of Faith **The Apostles' Creed** UMH 881  
**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri UMH 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.*

Sacrament of Baptism (11:00) Mary Alice DuBose  
Daughter of Luv and Derek DuBose

Concerns of a Caring Fellowship Rev. Lucas S. Tribble

Invitation to Holy Communion

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sins and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession and Pardon

**People: Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us we pray. Free us for joyful obedience through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*All pray in silence.*

Leader: Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**

**All: Glory to God. Amen.**

**Offertory**

***Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether***

**Cathedral Choir**

Composed by Harold Friedell

*Draw us in the Spirit's tether; For when humbly in thy name, two or three are met together, Thou art in the midst of them:*

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Touch we now thy garment's hem. As the brethren used to gather in the name of Christ to sup, then with thanks to God the Father, break the bread and bless the cup, Alleluia! Alleluia! So knit Thou our friendship up.*

*All our meals and all our living, make as sacraments of Thee, that by caring, helping, giving, we may true disciples be.*

*Alleluia! Alleluia! We will serve Thee faithfully.*

**\*Presentation of the Tithes and Offerings**

**\*Doxology**

***Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow***

**UMH 95**

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly hosts;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

**Children's Minute**

**Rev. Gillian L. Walters**

*Children will remain in worship on the first Sunday of the month to participate in Holy Communion with their church family.*

**Scripture Lesson**

**Ephesians 4:1-16**

**NT 182**

**Sermon**

***United and Gifted***

**Dr. Jay D. Cooper**

**Procession of the Elements**

**Celebration of Holy Communion**

***Musical Setting A***

**UMH 17**

**Music During Holy Communion**

***Ave Verum Corpus***

Composed by W.A. Mozart

***Eat This Bread***

Composed by Jacques Berthier

***O Lord, Hear Our Prayer***

Composed by Jacques Berthier

**Invitation to Christian Discipleship**

*Those desiring to unite with the church, either by profession of faith or by transfer of membership, are invited to come forward during the Hymn of Invitation or to contact Rev. Lucas Tribble, ltribble@fumcmontgomery.org.*

**\*Hymn of Invitation**

***Forward Through the Ages***

**UMH 555**

**\*Benediction**

**Dr. C. Jason Borders**

**\*Benediction Response**

***The Lord Bless You***

Arranged by Hal Hopson

**Cathedral Choir**

**\*Postlude**

**Dr. Joshua H. Coble**

*\* Please stand as you are able.*

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Mary Alice DuBose.*

*A nursery is provided during this service of worship for your convenience. The nursery can be found in Wesley Hall 202, accessed through the double doors on the pulpit side of the sanctuary.*

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### **LITURGICAL SEASON: ORDINARY TIME**

Ordinary Time, which includes the season after Pentecost, begins the day after Pentecost and ends the day before the First Sunday of Advent. It may include twenty-three to twenty-eight Sundays, depending on the date of Easter, but the first Sunday is always Trinity Sunday. Trinity Sunday celebrates one of the most fundamental of Christian beliefs, the reality of the Holy Trinity: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.  
The liturgical color is green.

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### **IN MEMORY OF**

#### **Helen Rittenour Geesey**

Memorial Fund: *Judy Duggar, the Forester Sunday School class, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Grissom, Dr. Elizabeth S. Cheshire, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Wolf, Brian and Adelyn Wolf, the Tower Sunday School class, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel C. Doss, III*  
Missions Ministry: *Thelma Braswell*; Cathedral Builders: *Mr. and Mrs. Philip Butler, Mr. and Mrs. James Turner*  
Building Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Lamar Thompson*

#### **Clare Bowman Cardinal**

Memorial Fund: *Arthur Britton Foundation, Mrs. Mamie Ward Weiss, Mrs. Fairlie L. Haynes, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Henry, Jr.*

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### **AROUND THE CONGREGATION**

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

##### **Michael and Sara Beth Beals**

Michael comes to us by transfer from Millbrook Presbyterian Church and Sara Beth comes to us by transfer from Covenant UMC in Dothan, AL. Michael is a juvenile probation officer with the Talladega County Juvenile Court, and Sara Beth is a digital content creator for Alfa Insurance.

#### **BIRTH**

##### **Ann Morgan Dunn**

*July 23, 2021*

Daughter of John and Taylor Ramsey Dunn

#### **SYMPATHY**

To Amber and Michael Cameron and their family upon the death of Amber's father, *Virgil Baxter Kirby*; and to Sarah Beth and Lucas Tribble and their family upon the death of Sarah Beth's grandfather, *Kenneth Vann*

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*If you are in need of a minister after hours or on weekends, please contact [pastoralcare@fumcmontgomery.org](mailto:pastoralcare@fumcmontgomery.org).*