



# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*a Stephen Ministry Congregation*

**JULY 18, 2021**

**THE EIGHTH 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 Rev. Gillian L. Walters

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

Introit Cathedral Choir  
*O Be Joyful*  
Arranged by John Yarrington

\*Processional Hymn 546  
*The Church's One Foundation*

\*Call to Worship Katy Pass, Pastoral Intern  
Leader: The Lord is our God,  
People: **And the rock of our salvation.**  
Leader: God restores our souls.  
People: **God leads us in right paths.**

\*Invocation  
Leader: The Lord be with you.  
People: **And also with you.**  
Leader: Let us pray together.  
All: **Holy God, through the reading of your Word, draw us near to you. May the hearing of your Word break down the dividing walls between us, for Jesus Christ, your living Word, is our peace. Amen.**

\*Affirmation of Faith 881  
**The Apostles' Creed**  
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 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.*

Celebration of New Members (8:45) 38

Concerns of a Caring Fellowship Rev. Ben A. McDavid

Pastoral Prayer and 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.

**Offertory** **The Call** **Cathedral Choir**  
Arranged by Z. Randall Stroope  
*Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life: Such a Way, as gives us breath: Such a Truth, as ends all strife: Such a Life, as killeth death. Come my Light, my Feast, my Strength: Such a Light, as shows a feast: Such a Feast, as mends in length: Such a Strength, as makes his guest. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: Such a Joy, as none can move. Such a Love, as none can part: Such a Heart, as joys in love. Come, my Joy, my Love, my Heart: Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life.*

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

**\*Doxology** **Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow** **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 ages three through first grade will be escorted to Children's Church. Visitors are welcome to accompany their children. Children can be picked up at the close of worship in Room 101 in Wesley Hall.*

**\*Hymn of Preparation** **In Christ There Is No East or West** **548**

**Scripture Lesson** **Ephesians 2:11-22**

**Sermon** **United as Citizens** **Rev. Gillian L. Walters**

**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](mailto:ltribble@fumcmontgomery.org).*

**\*Hymn of Invitation** **Where Charity and Love Prevail** **549**

**\*Benediction** **Katy Pass, Pastoral Intern**

**\*Benediction Response** **Amen** **Cathedral Choir**  
Arranged by Hal Hopson

**\*Postlude** **Dr. Joshua H. Coble**

*\* Please stand as you are able.*

*The chancel flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
Jim and Helen Geesey by Bob and Gayle Auman.*

*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.*

**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**

**Robert William Bradford, Jr.**

Respite Ministry: *Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Perry*

**Mary Ann Pickard**

Archives and History: *Work Area of Archives and History*

**IN HONOR OF**

**Ramona Sue Smith**

Honor Gift: *Angie Smith and Eleanor Ernest*

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**AROUND THE CONGREGATION**

**BAPTISMS**

**Fitzpatrick Mathews Bryan**

*July 11, 2021*

Son of Mathews and Sarah Bryan

**William Marshall Green III**

*July 11, 2021*

Son of William and Mallory Green

**IN MEMORIAM**

**Helen Rittenour Geesey**

*July 12, 2021*

**SYMPATHY**

To Rob and Laura Newman and their family upon the death of Rob's father, *Cecil Newman*

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