



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

a Stephen Ministry Congregation

JULY 25, 2021

**THE NINTH 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

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MORNING WORSHIP

LITURGICAL COLOR: GREEN

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

O Worship the Lord
Arranged by Hal Hopson

Cathedral Choir

*Processional Hymn

O Spirit of the Living God

UMH 539

*Call to Worship

Rev. Lucas S. Tribble

Leader: Your creation gives thanks to you, O God.

People: **And we, your faithful, bless you.**

Leader: We shall speak of the glory of your realm and tell of your power.

People: **We shall let all people know your mighty deeds and glorious splendor.**

*Invocation

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: **Generous God, who supplies our needs, grant that our inner beings may be strengthened through your Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in our hearts through faith, that you may accomplish within us far more than all we ask or imagine. 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.*

Celebration of New Members (11:00)

UMH 38

Concerns of a Caring Fellowship

Rev. Gillian L. Walters

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**O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High****Cathedral Choir**

Arranged by Hal Hopson

O love, how deep, how broad, how high, beyond all thought and fantasy, that God, the Son of God, should take our mortal form for mortals' sake! For us baptized, for us he bore his holy fast and hungered sore; for us temptations sharp he knew; for us the tempter overthrew. For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his daily works he wrought, by words and signs and actions thus still seeking not himself, but us. For us by evil power betrayed, scourged, mocked, in purple robe arrayed, He bore the shameful cross and death, for us gave up his dying breath. For us he rose from death again; for us he went on high to reign; for us he sent his Spirit here to guide, to strengthen, and to cheer. All glory to our Lord and God for love so deep, so high, so broad; the Trinity whom we adore forever and forevermore.
O love, how deep, how broad, how high.

Presentation of the Tithes and Offerings**Doxology**

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

UMH 95**Children's Minute****Dr. C. Jason Borders**

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**Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee*****UMH 175****Scripture Lesson****Ephesians 3:14-21****NT 182****Sermon*****United and Full of Life*****Dr. Jay D. Cooper****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**To God Be the Glory*****UMH 98*****Benediction****Rev. Lucas S. Tribble*****Benediction Response**

Amen
 Arranged by Peter Lutkin

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 loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Eugene Beauchamp on the occasion of their 71st Wedding Anniversary by Al and Aimee Beauchamp Steineker.

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.

IN MEMORY OF

Emily Ann Cole

Sacred Arts Ministry: *Mr. and Mrs. Pete Land*

Music Ministry: *Mr. Ben Coker and Dr. Ann Mountcastle*

Helen Rittenour Geesey

Sacred Arts Ministry: *Mr. and Mrs. Pete Land*

Robert Cecil Newman

Respite Ministry: *Mr. and Mrs. John Keene*

IN HONOR OF

Ramona Sue Smith

Respite Ministry: *Betty Jean Lobsiger*

AROUND THE CONGREGATION

NEW MEMBERS

Michael, Tara, and Barr Armistead

The Armisteads come to us by transfer from FUMC Butler, Alabama. Michael is a probate judge for Choctaw County; Tara is an attorney for ADPH; and Barr is a senior at a local high school.

Wendall Barr

Wendall also comes to us by transfer from FUMC Butler, Alabama. He is a coach at Saint James School.

BIRTH

Elizabeth Lee Rolen

July 16, 2021

Daughter of Samantha and Zack Rolen
