



# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

*a Stephen Ministry Congregation*

**AUGUST 22, 2021**

**THE THIRTEENTH 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

---

Prelude

*Sonata in D Major for Trumpet*  
Composed by Henry Purcell

Dr. Bryan Reeves, Trumpet  
Dr. Joshua H. Coble, Organ

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

*Come, Thou Almighty King*  
Arranged by Dan Bird

Cathedral Choir

\*Processional Hymn

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

UMH 61

\*Call to Worship

Katy Pass, Pastoral Intern

Leader: The Lord redeems the life of the Lord's servants.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Leader: No one who takes refuge in God will be condemned.

People: **Praise the Lord!**

\*Invocation

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray together.

All: **Living God, your Son Jesus Christ has the words of eternal life. Grant that we may come to him in faith, follow him in this world, and abide with him forever in the world to come; for he dwells with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. 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)

Thomas Winfrey Oliver VII  
Son of Thomas and Brandie Oliver

Maddox Brooke Phillips  
Daughter of Kyle and Millie Phillips

Celebration of New Members

UMH 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 Whole Armor of God***

Arranged by K. Lee Scott

**Cathedral Choir  
Dr. Bryan Reeves, Trumpet**

*Give me, O Christ, the strength that is in thee, That I may stand in every evil hour; Faints my poor heart except to thee I flee, Resting my weakness in thy perfect power. Give me to see the foes that I must fight, Powers of the darkness throned where thou shouldst reign; Read the directings of thy wrath aright, Lest, striking flesh and blood, I strike in vain. Give me to wear the armor that can guard, Over my breast thy blood-bought righteousness; Faith for my shield, when fiery darts rain hard, Girded with truth, and shod with zeal, with zeal to bless. Give me to wield the weapon that is sure, Taking through prayer thy sword into my hand, Word of thy wisdom, peaceable and pure, So, Christ my Conqueror, I shall conqueror stand. Yes, having all things done, O Christ my Conqueror, Having all things done, I shall stand!*

**\*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**

**Blessing of the Backpacks**

*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 114 of the Children's Building.*

**Rev. Lucas S. Tribble**

**\*Hymn of Preparation**

***Lead On, O King Eternal***

**UMH 580**

**Scripture Lesson**

**Ephesians 6:10-20**

**NT 184**

**Sermon**

***United as Warriors for the Gospel***

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

**\*Hymn of Invitation**

***Standing on the Promises***

**UMH 374**

**\*Benediction**

**Katy Pass, Pastoral Intern**

**\*Benediction Response**

***Amen***  
Arranged by James Seay

**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 Mary Nelle Feathers Hampton by her daughter, Mary Nelle Hampton.*

*The font flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of Maddox Brooke Phillips and Thomas Winfrey Oliver VII and in loving memory of their grandfather, Thomas Winfrey Oliver V.*

*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**

**Clare Bowman Cardinal**

Respite Ministry: *Mrs. Mimi Thompson*

**Helen Rittenour Geesey**

Memorial Fund: *Laura Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. John Bullard, Jr.*; Music Ministry: *Mr. and Mrs. Steve Schwartz*

**Robert Cecil Newman**

Memorial Fund: *Laura Sullivan*

---

**AROUND THE CONGREGATION**

**NEW MEMBERS**

**Steve and Louise Brown**

The Browns come to us by transfer from FUMC Decatur, Alabama. Steve is the Director of Client Services for Emperian Health and Louise is an education specialist at the Home Builders Association of Alabama.

**SYMPATHY**

To Tryon McLaney and his family upon the death of his sister, *Erin McLaney*

**WEDDING**

**Grace Ann Garner and Joseph Azar**  
*August 14, 2021*

---

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