



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

a Stephen Ministry Congregation

AUGUST 8, 2021

**THE ELEVENTH 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 Cathedral Choir
Praise the Lord
Arranged by Boyd Beacon

*Processional Hymn 89
Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

*Call to Worship Rev. Gillian L. Walters
Leader: Bless the Lord at all times;
People: **God's praise shall continually come from my mouth.**
Leader: O magnify the Lord with me,
People: **And let us exalt God's name together.**

*Invocation
Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
Leader: Let us pray together.
All: **Eternal God, your Son Jesus Christ is the true bread from heaven. Draw us in unity to Christ that we may receive nourishing grace for our journey in this world and know at last the joy of everlasting life with Christ, who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. 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 and 11:00) 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 **What Shall I Render to My God?** **Cathedral Choir**
Arranged by Austin Lovelace
What shall I render to my God for all His mercy's store? I'll take the gifts He hath bestowed and humbly ask for more. The sacred cup of saving grace I will with thanks receive, and all His promises embrace and to His glory live. My vows I will to His great name before His people pay, and all I have, and all I am, upon His alter lay. Thy lawful servant, Lord, I owe to Thee whatever is mine. Born in Thy family below, and by redemption Thine. Thy hands created me, Thy hands from sin have set me free, the mercy that hath loosed my bands hath bound me fast to Thee. Praise Him, ye saints, the God of love who hath thy sins forgiven, till gathered to the church above, we sing the songs of Heaven.

***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. Lucas S. Tribble**
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.

Act of Praise **Prayer of St. Francis** **Cathedral Choir**
Arranged by Allen Pote
Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love. Where there is injury, thy pardon, Lord. Where there is doubt, let there be faith. Where there is despair let me bring hope. Where there is darkness, let there be light, where there is sadness, let there be joy. O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console. To be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, and it is in pardoning that we are pardoned. And it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Lord, make me an instrument of thy peace. Amen.

Scripture Lesson **Ephesians 4:25-5:2** **NT 183**

Sermon **United as Members of One Another** **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** **Take My Life and Let It Be** **399**

***Benediction** **Rev. Gillian L. Walters**

***Benediction Response** **Amen** **Cathedral Choir**
Arranged by John Rutter

***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 Dr. Mary Ann Higgs Brown by her family.

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

Helen Rittonour Geesey

Music Ministry: *Mr. Ben Coker Jr. and Dr. Ann Mountcastle*; IMPACT: *Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lucas, Jr.*
Missions Ministry: *Mr. and Mrs. Steven S. Nesbitt*; Cathedral Builders: *Mr. and Mrs. Keith Norman*
Memorial Fund: *Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Carmichael*

Robert William Bradford, Jr.

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Clare Bowman Cardinal

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AROUND THE CONGREGATION

BAPTISM

Mary Alice DuBose

August 1, 2021

Daughter of Luv and Derek DuBose
