



First United Methodist Church
Welcome! We're glad that you are here.
To all who need comfort, all who need friendship.
All who are lonely and need companionship.
all who want sheltering love, all who sin
and need a Savior, and whosoever will
—We open wide our doors and say, “Come; let us worship together.”

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, Year C

10:15 AM Summer Sunday Worship

Oct. 05, 2025

LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLE

Pearl Michels

MUSIC TO PREPARE OUR HEART

Vivian Eaton

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

James Gonzales

L: Welcome to God’s house! We are delighted to have you here!
P: We hunger for God’s word of hope.
L: You have come to the right place. Here you will be fed on
the life-giving love of God.
P: We thirst for God’s healing in our lives.
L: At the table of the Lord, you will be fed and your
Thirst quenched.
P: Thanks be to God who provides for our needs.

*** HYMN # 64 “Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty**

***OPENING PRAYER (In Unison)**

**God of hope and peace, you are with us in all our days
and in all our ways. As you walked with the Israelites
in the desert, when they had given up hope, you came
to them with nourishment and your steadfast love.**
**As Jesus walked through Jerusalem, healing the sick and
those afflicted, your love was made abundantly clear through
acts of love and mercy. Be with us this day as we gather
to hear your word. Inspire and encourage us in all that we
do, that we may serve you faithfully, bringing hope
and your message of love to our thirsting world.**
In Jesus’ name, we pray. AMEN

***THE APOSTLE’S CREED #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, died, 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**

Scripture Reading

James Gonzales

Matthew 26:26-29

L: The Word of God for the People of God
P: Thanks be to God

Music of Preparation: Ametenda Maajabu
- Gracias Choir -

Message: The table of Christian Hope Pastor Fernando

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

HOLY COMMUNION

INVITATION/ CONDESSION & PARDON

SLIENT PRAYER

OFFERING OURSELVES

***DOXOLOGY #95**

***OFFERTORY PRAYER (In Unison)**

**God, as we give today, we remember the struggles of Your people
both in the past and present. Help us to stand with those who are
longing for your justice and peace. May these offerings be a symbol
of our desire to bring hope and healing to a broken world,
trusting that you will ultimately restore all things. Amen**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE 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.**

***HYMN # 428 For the Healing of the Nations**

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

Pastor Fernando

***GOING FORTH TO THE WORLD**

Vivian Eaton

IN OUR PRAYERS

Sandy Froehlich-,(doing immune therapy), Curtis Pilgrim (Kris Yingling’s friend),
Tinslee (awaiting transplant), Alyssa Volkers, Karen (Paul’s Mayer sister,
in hospice), The Norman family, Dan Zambo, - cancer, Mia (Paula’s co-worker),
Julie Brunner (Linda Jachino’s cousin), Tim Cavanagh (waiting for heart surgery).
Derek Osborn, Vicki & Michael Thomas (Paula Mayer’s friends),
Janet Smith (Denise’s sister), The Lars Colgan family. Elijah- Cancer
(LaVonna & Bob Grandson)

Our shut-ins: Sylvia Reuterfors, Erik & Alice Riffe-Torrison, Joy Turner, Steve &
Linda Yenney, Brenda Hamm, Janice Wilt, Mary Ellen Dreger, and July Law
Florence Bevins-Powell, Jackie Walker, and Howard Nichols.
Our country & government, Military Personnel & their families, the safety of
Ukrainians & end of wars; Haiti; Syria; Israel and Iran, the Gaza Strip; peace
In the Middle East, families, students, school administrators, and those
grieving their loved ones.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

October

11 - Don Greenfield

CALENDAR

Monday, October 06

Office open

1 pm to 3 pm – Sewing Ladies

Tuesday, October 07

Office Open

8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Wednesday, October 08

Office Open

8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Thursday, October 09

8:30 am to 4:30 pm Office Open

Friday, October 10

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Sunday, October 12
8:30 am – Prayer Meeting
9:00 Adult & Children Sunday Schools
10:15 – Main Service

WORSHIP HELPERS

	October 05	October 12
Acolyte	Pearl Michels	Boyd Law
Liturgist	James Gonzales	Susan Michelle
Counter	Molly Andersen	Rhonda Law
Verifier	Pam Darrow	Linda Jachino
Coffee Hour	Rhonda Law & Kelly Johnson	Julie & Derrick Osborn
Greeter	Worship Cmte	Worship Cmte
Usher	Worship Cmte	Worship Cmte

Last Week’s Attendance: 87

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday service hours: 10:15

SOUL SISTERS LENA ADVENTURE” Monday, Oct. 6th, Carpool will leave
The Church 9:30 AM. 10:30 AM – Torkelson’s Cheese Co., 9453 Louisa RD,
Lena 11:30 AM -Lunch at the Lena Mercantile Co. Eatery,
101 W. Railroad St. After lunch.

WC Food Pantry –West Carroll School Food Pantry is preparing for the
summer months when children are out of school and missing 2 meals
a day. Please consider donating kid-friendly foods like microwavable
macaroni and cheese, ramen noodles, pasta, soups, and snack-sized
puddings or fruit cups. The pantry always needs crackers, too.
Thank you for thinking of our children in the community who are
food insecure.

Choir Practice: The Choir will practice
Wednesday 2 PM & Sing Next Sunday 12

Blessing Basket – Blessing Basket is asking
for donations of men's and women's deodorant
This month. Thank you for your continued
support of this ministry .

The Women's Group is asking you to bring clean and dry plastic bags.
The group will make sleeping mats out of them for homeless people.
You can drop them off in a box in the sewing room at church.

Prayer Group – Prayer Group Meets Every Sunday at 8:30 am.
Feel free to attend!!!

New Member Class – will be given by Pastor Fernando. This will
be 5 classes, **either in person or via Zoom**. If you are interested or
have questions, let the office know.

Bible Study – New Testament Bible Study starts in September.
8th Monday at 9:30 AM Books are in the office now!



Pulled Pork Sandwich Fundraiser

Sunday, October 19th

Carryout 4:00 - 5:30
Savanna First United Methodist Church
Pull up to the backdoor of the church and we will deliver your order to your car

Pulled pork sandwich, baked beans, cheesy potatoes & dessert

Tickets

Adult - \$10.00 Children 10 & under \$5.00

Advanced Sales Only

To purchase tickets call Mary Irons - 815-541-8487

Proceeds go towards Women in Faith mission projects



First United
Methodist Church
October 5th, 2025
Sunday, 10:15 am

Vision Statement

**“Reaching out to all people and
inviting them to experience the Love
of God through Open Hearts, Open
Minds, and Open Doors.”**

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