

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Christ the King/Reign of Christ

At the conclusion of the Christian year, the church gives thanks and praise for sovereignty of Christ, who is Lord of all creation and is coming again in glory to reign. This festival was established in 1925 by decree of Pope Pius XI. Originally it took place on the last Sunday in October, just prior to All Saints' Day. Now it is celebrated on the last Sunday of the Christian year, a week before the season of Advent begins

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Order of Worship

Christ the King/Reign of Christ

November 21, 2021

**Congregation Stands*

PRELUDE

“Lead Me Lord” by: *Samuel S. Wesley*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***CALL TO WORSHIP #105 (AA)**

“Bless The Lord”

PRAYER OF THE DAY (*adapted from Book of Common Worship*)

Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let us sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master, grant that we may not seek so much

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,

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

In Christ's name. **Amen.**

SELECTION

“Oh Give Thanks” by: *Dr. Judith Christie McAllister*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON

“To Know and To Be Known” (*1 Corinthians 8:1-3*)

Serenitye Taylor

HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP #257 (AA)

“There Is A Fountain”

OFFERING

SELECTION

“Nobody Like You Lord” by: *Maranda Curtis*

DOXOLOGY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Oh Sing To The Lord” by: *Mozart Wolfgang Amadeus*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORSHIP with FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

We will resume our 4th Sunday worship with First Presbyterian Church on Sunday October 24th. Be sure to tune in to their TV ministry on channel 64 - WAXN on 4th Sundays.



*Ten Cents-a Meal

We Can Make a Huge Difference when ALL participate. Using the same passage Two and Five Cents-a-Meal has used since 1982.... *“Verily I say unto you, inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of my brothers you have done it unto me.”* –Matthew 25:45. Please consider a gift to Ten Cents-a-Meal every 1st Sunday.

MARRIAGE MONDAY:

Meet the 1st Monday of each month

Zoom Meeting ID: 889 2108 8270 **PC:** 769459

WAY FORWARD COMMITTEE

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month via Zoom from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm

MINISTRY MEETING: Nov. 21, 2021 @ 12:30 pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 869-4433 8861 **PC:** 422794

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MEAT EATERS

Next Gathering Wednesday, December 1, 2021 @ 7:00 pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 862 5816 5203 **Passcode:** 113991

“Welcome” to our New Member

We are happy to welcome to our church family **Ms. Erikka Digsby** and her children, Rashad, Rakwan, and Ranya Jones, and Lovett, Aviona, and Aaron Ingram. Ms. Digsby was received by the session last week on Homecoming Sunday. She will begin new member classes soon. Please extend a warm FUPC welcome to Ms. Digsby and family.



CHRISTMAS JOY
SPECIAL OFFERINGS
LEADERSHIP: PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

A gift opens doors.

— PROVERBS 18:16



THE PERFECT GIFT.

First United will observe the Christmas Joy Offering December 19, 2021

The Perfect Gift

*When we give to the Christmas Joy Offering, we Share our love with the leaders
of our Church -past, present and future*

Please give generously ... for when we all do a little, it adds up to a lot!

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We all were moved from wonder to awe as we witnessed/participated in **2021 Homecoming!** Working together helped us go deeper in our trust of God, to engage the hope we have in Christ, and to share that hope with others. Remember our charge from the speaker –

“Giving You The Best That I’ve Got”

Information below is provided to share more information about our Guest Preacher.



BYRON WADE’S BIOGRAPHY/FAITH JOURNEY

I was born into a household of faith handed down to me from my mother and father in Los Angeles, CA, the place of my birth.

The pivotal experience which led to my sense of call in the ministry was attending the very first Presbyterian Youth Triennium in 1980 at Indiana University in Bloomington, IN.

Being surrounded by other teenagers in a setting far away from home learning and worshipping with each other was a powerful experience that I remember to this day. I have been blessed to have certain people in my life who identified the gifts and skills in me to serve in leadership positions at the mid council and General Assembly levels. I began in youth ministry, serving on the Presbytery of the Pacific’s Youth Core and was the Synod of Southern California and Hawaii representative to the Youth and Young Adult Advisory Committee of the old UPCUSA. At Community United, I was elected a Ruling Elder at 21 years old. A few years later I was elected as the Moderator of the Synod’s Committee on Representation.

After college, I worked in the secular world for six years. However, I felt the call of God to enter seminary and enrolled at Johnson C. Smith Seminary in Atlanta, GA and went on to earn the Master’s Degree in Christian Education from Presbyterian School of Christian Education in Richmond, VA (now Union Presbyterian Seminary), and the Doctor of Ministry from McCormick Theological Seminary. In 1996, I was ordained and installed as the Minister of Word and Sacrament of Davie Street Presbyterian Church in Raleigh, NC. God has led me to serve the church as a member of the General Assembly Council (now Presbyterian Mission Agency Board), Vice-Moderator of the 218th General Assembly (2008), Moderator of the Presbytery of New Hope Black Caucus, Member of the Presbytery of New Hope Committee on Preparation for Ministry and Examination and Transfers Subcommittee, the Pentecost Project Team, McCormick Theological Seminary Board of Trustees, and Co-chairperson of the General Assembly Mid Council Commission II. In addition to serving as PWN’s General Presbyter, I currently serve on the Mountain Retreat Association (Montreat) Board of Directors, and as the Co-Moderator of the General Assembly Special Committee on Race, Truth, and Reconciliation.

He and his wife Regina and have one son, Andrew, who is a sophomore at UNC-CH



2021 Charlotte Church Partners Build
2629 Remington St., Charlotte, NC 28216

DATE	HOST CHURCH	TASK	# of Volunteers per site
Saturday, 11/19	Memorial Presbyterian	Interior paint	10
Friday, 11/20	Myers Park Baptist	Interior paint	10
Saturday, 12/3	First United Presbyterian	Interior trim	6
Saturday, 12/4	St. Peter's Episcopal	Finish paint Punch	10



❧SICK AND SHUT-INS❧

AT HOME

Mrs. Darlene Brown9632 Stonebridge Mint Hill, NC 28227
 Mrs. Louise Ezell 1850 Magwood Dr. #212, Charleston SC 29414
 Mr. Marvin Grigsby C/O Linda G. King, 103 Black Angus Run, Cary, NC 27513
 Mr. Samuel Reid 3040 Cricketeer Dr., Charlotte, NC 28216

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PRAYER LIST Email: prayer@fupcc.org

Barbara Cannon (recuperating at home) Ronald Mullen (recuperating at home)
 Eugene Stitt (recuperating at home) Shepard Foley (recuperating at home)
 Caryle Blakeney-Bennett (progressing) Abby Flanders
 Lorraine Beaston (illness)

God of us all, sometimes the task seems impossible. Peace in our world sounds like a good idea but it doesn't seem like it could ever happen. Encourage us when we feel we're trying to accomplish the impossible. Show us where our efforts make a difference. Give us strength and courage to never give up. Make us your peacemakers. Amen