

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost, October 20, 2019

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE "Spirit of God"

THE LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

GOOD NEWS FOR CHILDREN Carrie Hamilton

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

Children age three and under may go to the nursery

Children age four through 6th grade (2nd floor)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: We gather to honor our covenant with God.

We gather to worship the God who has covenanted with us.

People: Our help comes from God who made heaven and earth.

Our wisdom comes from the one who meets us here.

Leader: Open your eyes to meet God face to face.

Open your ears to hear God's instruction.

People: God takes us by the hand to lead us.

The Word of God is written on our hearts.

Leader: Come to taste God's Word, which is sweeter than honey.

Come to touch the reality of God's presence.

People: Surely God will welcome us and protect us.

We will walk with new understanding of truth.

SCRIPTURE "Jeremiah 31:27-34" Kay Grimes

***THE HYMN OF PRAISE** "Halle, Halle, Halleluja" FWS #2026

SCRIPTURE "Psalm 119:97-104" Taylor Fultineer

SCRIPTURE "2 Timothy 3:14-4:5" Jerry Gieseke

ANTHEM "Testify"

SCRIPTURE "Luke 18:1-8" Ella Hamilton

THE MESSAGE "Celebrating Laity" Pastor Paul

JOYS & CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

RESPONSE "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" UMH #349

THE GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

THE OFFERTORY "Psalm"

***THE DOXOLOGY** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH #95

SENDING FORTH

***THE SENDING HYMN** "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" UMH #526

***BENEDICTION** "Go In Peace"

Go in peace and the peace of God

Be with you this day.

Go in peace and the peace of God

Be with you always.

Celebrate and share the joy!

Celebrate new life!

Go in peace and the peace of God

Be with you always.

POSTLUDE "Trumpet Tune"

PRAYER REQUESTS

Family of Janice Snyder

Family of Tosha Thomas

The Kirby Family

Laura Adkins

David Marple

Therese D'Agostino

Vicie Knowlton

Bryce Casdorff

Patrick Casey O'Neil

Jodi O'Neil

Tina Summers

Judy Dumont

Linda Harper

Baby Gabriel

*These names will be moved to our on-going prayer list after two weeks.

Ministry of Worship

The Ushers: Jim Snyder, Danny Murphy, George Russell, Larry Wolfe, Roy, Spencer and Taylor Fultineer, Bob Judge, Andrew Byrd, Jerry, Wesley, Cody Buckley, Don Barnard and Gary Anderson

Acolytes: Rachel Bostic, Lillian Hamilton, and Reagan McLeary

Christian Education Director: Carrie Hamilton

WOW: Wednesday, October 23

Director of Music: William Holbrook

Administrative Assistant: Linda Nehr
Deadline for submitting items for Sunday Worship bulletin is

Noon on Wednesday.

Custodian: Janice Pauley

Tape Ministry: Don Ryan, Gary Good, Ed King and Mike Cidor

Tech Today: Mike Cidor

Oct. 27: Kathy Parsons

Nov. 3: Kathy Helmick

Nov. 10: Greg Young

Nov. 17: Sara Hampton

Nov. 24: Kathy Parsons

Newsletter: Barbara Brown

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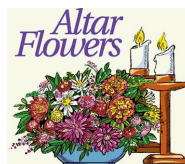
Articles due monthly on the 20th

Please remember to sign the registration pad located in the side of the pew.

Please greet our visitors and pass the registration pad to them.

What Is Happening This Week at First Church October 20 through October 27

SUN:	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Worship
	12:15 PM	Church Council
	4:00 PM	Memorial Service for Janice Snyder at Snodgrass Funeral Home UM Youth will not meet
MON:	5:00 PM	Zumba
	7:00 PM	Boy Scouts in Scout Room
TUES:	5:00 PM	Zumba
	6:00 PM	TOPS
	6:30 PM	3 R Team Meeting in Chapel
	6:45 PM	Cub Scouts Pack Meeting in Social Hall
WED:	5:30 PM	WOW! for Children in Social Hall
THUR:	5:00 PM	Zumba
	7:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal Church Office Closed
FRI:	5:00 PM	Community Dinner in Social Hall
SUN:	11:00 AM	Worship
	5:30 PM	UM Youth in Youth Room



Altar Flowers are to the Glory of God and in honor of Mike Warwick for his dedication to First Church and always being ready to help wherever needed.

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***Morning Worship
October 20, 2019
Pastor Paul Helmick
First United Methodist Church
South Charleston***

Our Sympathy and prayers go to David Snyder and family on the death of wife and mother, Janice Snyder. Janice passed away on Tuesday, October 15, after a long illness. The visitation (2:00 – 4:00 p.m.) and Memorial Service (4:00 p.m.) for Janice will be held today at Snodgrass.

Kim and Don Barnard will be hosting the Community Dinner next Friday, October 25, 2019. They will be serving homemade chili with toppings. Join your church family and community friends at the Community Dinner in the social hall, 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Kim needs help with desserts and cornbread to be served at the dinner. If you can make a dessert or cornbread, call Kim at 304 -744-0353.

Trunk or Treat will be held on Thursday, October 31, 2019, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. on the church parking lot. This year we are calling on all groups (UMM, UMW, DIVAS, WOW, etc) of the church to participate in the Trunk or Treat event by decorating a trunk and giving out candy to the neighborhood kids. A prize for the best decorated trunk will be awarded! (and bragging rights). There will be a rest station in the social hall where free hot dogs and cold drinks will be served.

All Saints Day is Sunday, November 3, 2019. If you want to remember a family member or friend who has passed away since the last All Saints Day, November 4, 2018, please call the church office by Monday, October 28, 2019. You may also write your request on the registration pad.

Altar Flowers Open Dates: January 5, 12, 19, 26, February 2, and March 22, 29, 2020. Please call the church office if you would like to place flowers on the altar. The cost is \$30.00.

Questions for reflection: October 20, 2019

1. Think about the multiple ways that people in your congregation, through their work and their broader vocations, embody the light of God.
2. Think about the persistent and insistent widow. What are some of the ways that the people of God in your community call for justice over and over? How does your congregation join with the community in this work?
3. The Wesleys talked about “means of grace.” Means of grace included regular prayer, study, and service by which people’s lives were formed in faithful ways. How do you highlight some of the means of grace in today’s worship?