## We're glad you're here!

Date:

Name:	

Address:\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

 $\Box$  I am interested in membership

- $\Box$  I would like a visit from the minister
- $\Box$  I am going to the hospital

□ Please note my change of address□ Visitor

## **PRAYER REQUEST**

Please place in the Offering Plate or give to the Pastor.

I ask your prayers for:

Prayer Request:

May we send this person a note of encouragement? \_\_\_\_\_yes \_\_\_\_\_no

If yes, please include their address:

May we include this in the prayer list for next week's bulletin? \_\_\_\_ yes \_\_\_\_ no

Person making request \_\_\_\_\_

Phone\_\_\_\_\_



First United Methodist Church

February 25, 2018 (2nd Sunday of Lent) 9:00 a.m.

Song of Praise Welcome

Song of Praise

Song of Preparation

Message

#### Holy Communion

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world,

until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

#### Service of Giving

Closing Blessing



"On This Rock" Matthew: 16:13-20

### FIRST CHURCH STAFF

Lara "Willis" Greene, Pastor Julie Braswell, Church Administrator Sarah Luhrs, Choir Director John Coffey, Organist Michael Roberts, Praise Team Kristi Spencer, Communications Kristi Harvell, Preschool Director

Our Lenten Sermon Series "Journey of Stones" continues to guide us toward Easter. As a reminder, please grab a stone each week as you enter worship. Hold the stone as you sing, as you pray, as you receive communion, as you give, as you listen to the Word read and the message proclaimed.

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# First United Methodist Church

February 25, 2018 (2nd Sunday of Lent)

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

We welcome all who worship with us today, and we are glad that you have joined us as we come together to praise God. Your presence is appreciated and we invite you to worship with us again.

Prelude

#### Welcome

\*Call to Worship

Dwaine Morgan (8:30) Marjo Erickson (11:00)

Leader: Let us worship God, who has done great things.
People: We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world.
Leader: Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.
People: We are the people God has formed through Christ; we worship him, and we rejoice!
Leader: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.
People: We praise God for the grace that has saved us. We rejoice!

\*Hymn, No. 103 Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

(8:30 verse 1) (11:00 verse 3 a capella)

To mark the season of Lent as time of penitence and preparation, we are joining congregations around the country in singing part of our congregational songs a capella (without instrumental accompaniment). By singing a capella, we are offering to God ourselves in our most basic form. Soli Deo Gloria - To God alone be the glory.

\*Affirmation of Faith, No. 881 The Apostles' Creed (11:00)

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.

#### \*The Gloria Patri (11:00)

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.

#### Newton Methodist Preschool (11:00)

Invitation to Prayer (11:00) Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** The Pastoral Prayer The Lord's Prayer (8:30) (11:00 Led by Newton Methodist Preschool)

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.

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Newton Methodist Preschool

Kristi Harvell, Director

Children's Sermon (11:00)

Julie Braswell

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\*Passing of the Peace Hymn, No. 133 (11:00 verse 1)

Children 3 years old-2nd grade are invited to follow the leaders downstairs to the Children's Dept.

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms; what a blessedness, what a peace is mine, leaning on the everlasting arms. Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms; leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

Scripture:	John 8:1-12	NT
Leader:	This is the word of God for the people of God.	
People:	Thanks be to God.	

Message Journey of Stones: Sticks and Stones Rev. Lara "Willis" Greene

Moment of Reflection (11:00)

Service of Giving (11:00)

\*Doxology UMH #95 (11:00)

During the season of Lent, we will sing an Alleluia-free version of the doxology. The discipline of "burying the Alleluia" until its renewing reappearance on Easter has been practiced by Christians since the Middle Ages.

Praise God, from who all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Hymn, No. 389 (11:00) *Freely, Freely (Repeat)* During the singing of this hymn, you are invited to lay your stone at the foot of the cross and kneel at the altar in prayer.

\*Benediction (11:00)

\*Chimes of the Holy Trinity (11:00)

\*Postlude (11:00)

Holy Communion (8:30)

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Service of Giving (8:30)

#### \*Benediction (8:30)

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon<br/>you and be gracious unto you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you,<br/>and give you peace. AmenNumber 6:24-26



The altar flowers last week were given in honor of Jackie & Wayne Dellinger's wedding anniversary, by their children.

PRAYER

Join the Prayer Team **TODAY** following the 11:00 a.m. service in the Chapel. We will meet and then head over for Prayer on the Square at 12:30 p.m. For more info, contact Susan Reinhardt 828-381-9841 or reinaero@yahoo.com.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Melba Nichols, Anne Hunsucker, Debbie Propst and Family, Bob & Brenda Saunders, The Orange Family, The Family of Louise Barkley

Military: Scott Beal, Taylor Bean, Todd Houtz, Michael Howard, Tai Orange, David Parker, Camaron Sills, President Trump

Nurseries: For children up to 4 years 8:30 a.m. - 12 noon (Level 1)

Sunday School: For children 2 years to 5th Grade from 10 - 10:45 a.m. on Level 1

**Children's Church:** Children K to 2nd Grade leave the Sanctuary for a worship enrichment program during the 11 a.m. Worship Service. Children may be picked up after worship in the Children's Church Room located on Level 1.

**Children's Sunday Sacks:** Located at the entrances of the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall; filled with quiet activities for little hands.





## WANT TO HONOR A SPECIAL LOVED ONE WITH FLOWERS?

If you would like to honor or memorialize someone or celebrate a special anniversary or birthday with flowers for the alter in the Sanctuary, please fill out the form below. You may return it to the church office to reserve the Sunday of your choice.

#### I will furnish altar flowers in 2018:

Date	

In Memory of:

In Honor of:

Given By: