

First United Methodist Church
11:00 AM Service of Worship
November 25, 2018
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

GATHERING

Before the Service Begins

Please write your praises or prayer concerns and either give them to the ushers or bring them to Pastor Mike during the Passing of the Peace. Prayer request slips are available in the Registration Pads in each pew and on the table in front of the Church Office.

WELCOME, REGISTRATION OF ATTENDANCE, ANNOUNCEMENTS..... Rev. Mike Brown

(Please sign and pass the attendance pad down your pew.
Guests: please include your phone number and complete address.)

OPENING VOLUNTARY . . . "St. George's, Windsor" and "King's Weston" . . . harmonizations by Richard Proulx
LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Brown and Congregation

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God,
"who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."

Blessing and honor and glory and might be unto the Lamb!

Worthy is Christ who has ransomed us by his blood
from every tribe and tongue and nation,
and made his people a kingdom, and priests to our God.

**Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,
who was and is and is to come! Amen.**

--U.S.A., 20TH CENT., in *The Book of Worship* 420, alt.

OPENING PRAYER Rev. Brown

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that He might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at His feet;
who is alive and reigns with You,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

-- Rev. William Flewelling at lifeinliturgy.wordpress.com

***HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 176** "Majesty, Worship His Majesty"

***CANTICLE OF HOPE NO. 734**

***RESPONSE NO. 70** "Glory Be to the Father"

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**
SHARING PRAISES AND CONCERNS

A LITANY FOR CHRIST THE KING

You alone, O Christ, are King of kings and Lord of lords,

and You will reign for ever and ever!

You are King of our lives, King of Your Church, and King of all creation;

There is no other King but You!

Yet we offer praise and worship to other so-called “rulers”;

forgive us when we give our allegiance to anyone or anything other than You.

Fill our spirits with Your Spirit,

that we may serve You in all we say and do.

Hear our prayers for the sick and the bereaved;

lift up the downcast and depressed.

Now to You we offer all honor and glory and praise,

both now and for ever!

Hear, this our prayer, which we offer in Your Name,

and hear us as we pray in the words You gave us . . .

THE LORD’S PRAYER Rev. Brown and Congregation

*HYMN NO. 369 “Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me”

OFFERTORY PRAYER Rev. Brown

OFFERTORY Prelude from “Partita on *He Leadeth Me*” Charles Callahan

*PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS NO. 95 “The Doxology”

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Ida Cooksey

(Children, Kindergarten and younger, are invited to leave the Sanctuary for age-appropriate learning activities.)

*HYMN OF PREPARATION NO. 171 “There’s Something About That Name”

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE Revelation 1:4b-8 Rev. Mike Brown

SERMON “The King” Rev. Mike Brown

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT NO. 664 “Sent Forth by God’s Blessing”

SENDING FORTH

*BENEDICTION Rev. Mike Brown

CLOSING VOLUNTARY “Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending”. text by Charles Wesley, UMH#718

*PLEASE STAND (AS ABLE)

Bulletin Baskets: are found at the back of the Sanctuary for your convenience to discard your bulletins.

Reminder to parents: Safe Sanctuary Policy - “No child left unsupervised for any reason at any time”. Parents are encouraged to take their children to the restroom before any worship service begins. If a child needs to go to the restroom during worship, an adult or buddy needs to be with them.

Calendar for November 25, 2018

Sunday, November 25, 2018 - CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

*8:45 AM-----Mission Café, J. O. Smith Building
*9:00 AM-----Contemporary Worship Service, J.O. Smith Building
*9:30 AM-----Mission Café, Adult S. S. Building
*9:45-10:45 AM----- Sunday School, Sharp Building and Adult S. S. Building
*11:00 AM-----Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary
5:45 PM-----Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Handbell Room
-----No Children or Youth Evening Activities

Monday, November 26, 2018

8:30 AM-----Seasoned Saints to Wakulla Springs, FL
6:00 PM-----Church Council Meeting, Reynolds Chapel

Tuesday, November 27, 2018

9:00 AM-----Food Bank, Adult S. S. Building
9:30 AM-----Church Staff Meeting, Simmons Parlor
11:30 AM-----Church Staff Lunch
6:00 PM-----Finance Committee Meeting, Library
6:00 PM-----Contemporary Worship Team Meeting, Simmons Parlor
6:00 PM-----Sistas Bible Study, Mildred Thigpen SS Classroom
6:00 PM-----Cub Scout Pack #519 Meeting, Scout Hut

Wednesday, November 28, 2018

3:00 PM-----Knitting/Crochet Ministry, Simmons Parlor
5:30 PM-----Two Year Old Music Group, Circle Room
*6:00 PM-----Christian Fellowship Dinner, J. O. Smith Building
*6:25 PM-----Children's Worship Arts, Drama Room & Sanctuary
*6:25 PM-----Preschool Music and Arts, Circle Room
*6:40 PM-----Youth Small Group Bible Study, Youth Basement
*7:30 PM-----Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

* denotes 'nursery provided'

No Sunday Evening Children & Youth Activities November 25

We will not have Children or Youth activities on Sunday evening, November 25. Handbells will rehearse at 5:45 p.m. Our Advent and Christmas special programs will start the following Sunday, December 2, with the "Hanging of the Greens" at 7:00 p.m.

Seasoned Saints to Wakulla Springs

The Seasoned Saints are heading (again) to Wakulla Springs on Monday, November 25. All reservations should have been made by Friday, November 23. If you have to change your reservation, contact Lauren Turner. We will depart the church on Monday morning at 8:30 a.m. and expect to be back around 3:30 p.m. The cost of park admission is \$8.00 per person and lunch will be Dutch treat.

Church Council Meeting

The Church Council will hold its final regular meeting of 2018 on Monday, November 26, at 6:00 p.m. in Reynolds Chapel. All Council members are *expected* to attend, but all church members are invited to attend.

Birthday Celebration for Sis Cook

All family and friends of Sis Cook are invited to a reception celebrating Sis's 90th birthday. The reception will be Saturday, December 8, beginning at 1:00 p.m. in Simmons Parlor. This is to be a surprise, so don't let Sis know! Also, no gifts, please!

2018 Advent and Christmas Calendar

Advent and Christmas are busy and exciting seasons at Bainbridge First United Methodist, filled with special services and activities. Please mark your calendars for the following events and plan to participate in as many as you can! December schedule flyers are available at the Church Office, Sanctuary and J. O. Smith entrances.

December 2, First Sunday of Advent

Hanging of the Greens, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

December 9, Second Sunday of Advent

Come to Christmas, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Sharp and J.O. Smith Buildings

December 12

Last Christian Fellowship Dinner for 2018, 6:00 p.m., J.O. Smith Building
Children's Christmas Program, 6:45 p.m., Sanctuary

December 16, Third Sunday of Advent

Service of Lessons and Carols, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

December 19

Chili, Cornbread, and Caroling, 6:00 p.m., J.O. Smith Building

December 24, Christmas Eve

Come-and-Go Communion, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Reynolds Chapel
Communion and Candlelight Service, 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary

December 30, First Sunday after Christmas Day

Fellowship Breakfast, 9:30 a.m., J.O. Smith Building
Unity Worship Service, 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary
(No Sunday School)

Foster Children's Christmas

Our December Mission project is the adoption of two foster children. Currently, we have about 85 children in foster care in Decatur County. Our church is adopting two young ladies and will provide Christmas gifts for them. There will be information for these children in the back of the Sanctuary and in the J. O. Smith Building. We ask that you select one or more of the "trees" and purchase for these young ladies. The information will be on the tree. Please take the tree with you to assist in your purchasing. If you prefer to make a contribution for us to make the purchases, please make the check payable to the church and write "Foster Children" in the memo. There will also be a piggy bank with the information if you wish to place a cash donation in there. We are assisting an 8-year-old girl and a 14-year-old girl. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus as we help these children have a wonderful Christmas. If there are questions, please contact Lauren. We ask that gifts be brought to the Church Office or to the church by Wednesday, December 12. If you need gift pickup, please let Lauren know. If all "trees" are taken, we can always adopt another child as there are many to be served.

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