

First United Methodist Church

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Rejoice
IN THE
LORD ALWAYS

Living in harmony with one another
is one important way we rejoice in the Lord.

 SCRIPTURE READING:
Philippians 4:2-7

Pastor Armando Rodriguez

Our Visión & Misión

“Shining the Light of God’s Love”

Through

Inspiring Worship ~ Personal Growth ~ Intentional Outreach

Senior Pastor, Rev. Armando Rodríguez
Associate Pastor, Rev. Rich Edwards
Assistant Pastor, Rev. Barbara Martinez

“Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost”

8:00 & 11:00 am Traditional Worship

GATHERING

WELCOME, COMMUNITY LIFE & INVOCATION

PRELUDE

“Only Trust Him”

Julie Propst

(Please be in an attitude of prayer as you prepare yourself for worship.)

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 32:11 & Psalm 33:1

UMH 766, 767

Leader: Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous;

Congregation: Shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

All: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Delight in praise, O you upright!

*OPENING HYMN

“Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven”

UMH 66

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven,
to the throne thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
evermore God's praises sing.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.

Fatherlike, God tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame God knows;
motherlike, God gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Widely yet God's mercy flows.

Praise the Lord for grace and favor
to all people in distress;
praise God, still the same as ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glorious now God's faithfulness.

Angels in the heights, adoring,
you behold God face to face;
saints triumphant, now adoring,
gathered in from every race.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.

Words: Henry F. Lyte, 1834 (Ps. 103); Music: John Goss, 1869; CCLI License #1229420

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

1 John 3:1-2

Leader: Dear friends, now we are children of God.

Congregation: See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!

*GLORIA PATRI

“Glory Be to the Father”

UMH 70

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. Amen.

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MORNING PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER

MUSICAL PRAYER RESPONSE

“Lead Me Lord”

UMH 473

Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness;
make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only,
that makest me dwell in safety.

Words: Psalms 5:8, 4:8; Music: Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1861; CCLI License #1229420

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“By Our Love”

FUMC Choir

*DOXOLOGY

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Words: Thomas Ken 1674, Music: Geistliche Kirchengesange 1623; CCLI License #1229420

***PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING**

*PASSING THE PEACE

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

“Be Still, My Soul”

UMH 534

Be still, my soul the Lord is on your side.
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
leave to your God to order and provide;
in every change God faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul your best, your heavenly friend
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul your God will undertake
to guide the future, as in ages past.

Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;

all now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul the waves and winds still know
the Christ who ruled them while he dwelt below.

Be still, my soul the hour is hastening on
when we shall be forever with the Lord,
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul when change and tears are past,
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

Words: Katharina von Schlegel, 1752; trans by Jane Borthwick, 1855, 1855 (PS 46:10); Music: Jean Sibelius, 1899; arr. from the Hymnal, 1933; CCLI License # 1229420

SCRIPTURE READING

Philippians 4:2-7 (NIV)

MESSAGE

“Rejoice in the Lord Always”

Pastor Armando Rodríguez

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

“’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus” (vv. 1, 2, 4)

UMH 462

"Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
and to take him at his word;
just to rest upon his promise,
and to know, "Thus saith the Lord."

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him!
How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus,
just to trust his cleansing blood;
and in simple faith to plunge me
neath the healing, cleansing flood!

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him!
How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust him more!

I'm so glad I learned to trust thee,
precious Jesus, Savior, friend;
and I know that thou art with me,
wilt be with me to the end.

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him!
How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust him more!

Words: Louisa M. R. Stead, 1882; Music: William J. Kirkpatrick, 1882; CCLI License # 1229420

***BENEDICTION**

*POSTLUDE

Go Forth and Let Your Light Shine

**Indicates that we are to stand to praise God.*

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given by Connie Hennings in loving memory of Paul J. Hennings, Jr., on the occasion of what would have been their 30th wedding anniversary on August 31st.

“Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost”

9:30 am Contemporary Worship

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

SONGS OF PRAISE

“Praise”

“Trust in God”

“Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)”

CHILDREN’S CHAT

Carol Wellons

PRAYER TIME

OFFERING

“How Great is Our God”

BIBLE READING

Philippians 4:2-7 (NIV)

MESSAGE

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ALTAR CALL / CLOSING

“How Great is Our God” Reprise

BENEDICTION

Go Forth and Let Your Light Shine

Philippians 4:2-7 (NIV)

²I plead with Euodia and I plead with Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³Yes, and I ask you, my true companion, help these women since they have contended at my side in the cause of the gospel, along with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. ⁴Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice! ⁵Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near. ⁶Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. ⁷And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Every Member Prayer List – Please pray for the following the week of August 30: Tom & Nancy Moore, Mario & Crucita Morales, Heriberto, Andrene & Micah Morales and Sandra Hughes, Tom & Nancy Morando, Yvo & Wendy Morris, Ronald & Carolyn Morton, Susan Mottice.

The Lord's Supper – Communion is available each Sunday morning between 7:30 am – 12:30 pm. Bread and juice, as well as guide sheets to lead you through your time communing with God, are available in the Prayer Room in the back of the Sanctuary.

Youth Group – Grades 6-12, Thursdays & Sundays, 6-7:30 pm in the OC.

Lighthouse Kids –for children in K-5th grade, Thursdays, 6-7:30 pm in the Ark.

Churchwide Fellowship Dinner – Sunday, September 20th at 5:30 pm in the Beacon Life Center. Please bring your favorite dish (appetizer, salad, veggie or entrée). UWF ladies will be bringing desserts. Beverages will be provided! RSVP by Sept. 16th on your Attendance Form or by calling the church office.

Food, fun and fellowship for all ages. All are welcome.

Free Back to School Haircuts by one of our professional barbers, TODAY from 2-4 pm in Room 4 of the OC. Offer eligible for male students from grades K-12.

Discipleship Classes - Grow Your Faith This Fall! Ready for the next step in your spiritual journey? Join us this September as we launch Disciple Classes I, II, & III. Deepen your understanding of Scripture, build meaningful community, and grow closer to God. Sign up today using the Attendance Form, or call the church office.

Mission Team Pasta Dinner – Take Out – September 4th 4:30 – 7 pm. Tickets \$10.

30 Day Bike Ride - Carol Wellons is participating in a 300-mile bike ride in 30 days during the month of August. If you would like to sponsor her, please note “Bike Ride” on your offering envelope. Any funds collected will go toward our operating budget.

Food Pantry – We serve families in need on Tuesdays from 10 am to 12 pm in the Outreach Center. Please bring your donations of non-perishable foods. Special needs: tuna fish, peanut butter, pasta sauce, rice, toilet paper and empty bags (reusable & plastic). We also offer clothing through **Hope's Corner**. Clean, gently used clothing is accepted.

Upper Room Devotionals – the September-October edition is now available in the Narthex. The regular size is \$2.00, while the large print is \$2.50. Please deposit your donation in the box provided to help defray the cost.

Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting – We meet together to pray on Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 pm, Room 101. Join us as we seek God together.

Residing Hope - all churches in the FL Conference take a collection to support the ministry of Residing Hope on fifth Sundays. Contributing allows them to carry on this life changing ministry. Today is a fifth Sunday.

Presence in Worship for 8/23: 376 Sunday School: 53

Financial Update – Last week we received \$10,589.50 toward our weekly need of \$15,827.00. So far in the month of August we received \$61,764.01 toward our monthly need of \$79,137. Your financial dedication is appreciated.



Online/Mobile Giving – You can make your donation at pslfumc.com by clicking on the easyTithe link, use the easyTithe app or scan the QR code.

Meetings This Week

BLC – Beacon Life Center

OC – Outreach Center

Sunday

8/30 8:00a Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
8/30 9:30a Contemporary Worship/100, BLC
8/30 9:30a Searchers Adult Sunday School/101, BLC
8/30 9:30a Children's Sunday School/meet at Oasis
8/30 9:30a Mid High Sunday School/2, OC
8/30 9:30a High School Sunday School/103, BLC
8/30 10:00a Haitian Church/1, OC
8/30 10:00a Hispanic Disciple Class/102, BLC
8/30 11:00a Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
8/30 11:00a Pathfinders Sunday School/105, BLC
8/30 11:30a Hispanic Worship/100, BLC
8/30 2:00p Free Haircuts/4, OC
8/30 6:00p Youth/4, OC

Monday

8/31 10:00a Bell Ensemble/Sanctuary
8/31 1:00p Prayer Shawl Ministry/102, BLC

Tuesday

9/1 9:30a Hispanic Prayer Group/105, BLC
9/1 10:00p Food Pantry/2, OC
9/1 10:30a Alanon/101, BLC
9/1 2:00p Teresa Circle/103, BLC
9/1 6:15p NA/1, OC
9/1 6:30p Disciple IV/101, BLC

Wednesday

9/2 6:45a Men's Prayer Group/Conference Room, BLC
9/2 10:00a UWF Executive Board Meeting/103, BLC
9/2 6:30p AA/1, OC
9/2 6:30p Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting/101, BLC
9/2 7:00p Praise Team/100, BLC
9/2 7:00p Haitian Bible Study/2, OC

Thursday

9/3 9:00a Lighthouse Quilters/101, BLC
9/3 9:30a Women's Prayer Group/Conference Room/BLC
9/3 5:00p Safe Space/1, OC
9/3 6:00p Lighthouse Kids/Ark
9/3 6:00p Youth/4, OC
9/3 6:30p Disciple I/105, BLC
9/3 6:30p Alpha Course/101, BLC
9/3 7:00p Choir Practice/Sanctuary
9/3 7:00p Nar-Anon/2, OC
9/3 7:00p Hispanic Prayer Service/100, BLC

Thursday

9/4 4:00p Missions Pasta Dinner Take-Out/101, BLC

Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30a–4:30p