

# First United Methodist Church

Rutherfordton, North Carolina

First Service	Sunday School	Second Service
8:45 am	9:45 am	11:00 am

**Our Mission:**  
**Sharing Christ's Light on**  
**Main Street and Beyond...**

**July 22, 2018**  
**9th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Worship of the Lord**



## WE GATHER FROM THE WORLD AND PRAISE GOD

Tolling of the Church Bell

Welcome and Announcements Jimmy Dancy  
(Worshippers, please complete your contact  
Information and name tags in the red Hospitality Folders.)

Prelude Here I Am, Lord arr. John Carter

\*\*Bringing of the Light Acolyte

\*\*Introit Come, Holy Spirit John W. Peterson

\*Call to Worship

Let us not despise our brother or sister,

**For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow  
to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."**

Let us no longer pass judgement on each other,

**But let us resolve instead never to put a hinderance in the  
way of another.**

For the Kingdom of God is not food and drink but  
righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit;

**The one who serves Christ is acceptable to God and has  
human approval.**

**ALL: Therefore, let us pursue what makes for peace and  
mutual upbuilding!**

\*Hymn No. 177 (UMH) HE IS LORD  
He is Lord (Sing through twice)

\*Opening Prayer

**Lord Jesus, we know that every knee will bow and every tongue will praise your name. We know that you died and live again to be Lord of both the living and the dead. We are yours, Holy Lord. Forgive us for our quarreling, for placing our need to be right before service to your kingdom. Strengthen our hearts that we might welcome one another without dispute. Help us in our convictions that we might not cause others to stumble because of them. Heal our broken and divided community, Lord. In the name of God, our creator, Christ, our righteousness, and the Holy Spirit, our peace and joy. Amen.**

\*Passing the Peace of Christ

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

**WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD**

Moments with Children

Rufus the Rabbit

*(Children, ages 4-2nd grade, are invited to exit  
with leaders for Children's Church)*

Anthem

Scripture Lesson

Romans 14:1-9, Pew Bible NT Pg. 163

Reader: The Word of God for the People of God

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

Chris Kiser

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

Prayers of the People

Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts

\*Response in Praise, No. 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

**WE ARE SENT FORTH INTO THE WORLD**

\*Hymn No. 2223 (TFWS)

ST. BRENDAN'S

*They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love*

\*Dismissal with Blessing

\*\*We Follow the Light into the World

Acolyte

\*\*Benediction Response

GOD BE WITH YOU

*God Be With You Til We Meet Again*

\*Chimes of the Trinity

\*Postlude

*How Firm A Foundation*

arr. Anna Laura Page

\*Congregation please stand, as you are able

\*\*11:00 am Worship Service Only

"Enter to Worship, Depart to Serve"

**When You Pray, Remember the Following Church Members and  
Also Our Homebound Members and Service Personnel:**

<b>Donna Carver</b> <sup>4</sup>	<b>Diane McMillan</b> <sup>3</sup>
<b>Wyatt Church</b> <sup>2</sup>	<b>Debbie Murphy</b> <sup>3</sup>
<b>Family of S. G. Gabriel</b> <sup>3</sup>	<b>Tom O'Farrell</b> <sup>2</sup>
<b>Bill &amp; Peggy McBrayer</b> <sup>2</sup>	<b>Myra Woody</b> <sup>2</sup>

**Remember the Following Friends & Family of Church Members:**

<b>Family of Myrtle Bennett</b> , aunt of Zana Whitmire <sup>3</sup>	<b>Jessica Martin</b> , great niece of Betty Gabriel <sup>3</sup>
<b>David Claroni</b> , son of Paul & Sally <sup>1</sup>	<b>Steve Mercer</b> , son of Joyce & Buzz Mercer <sup>2</sup>
<b>Halley Dannemiller</b> , granddaughters of Joan King <sup>2</sup>	<b>Carole Moore</b> <sup>1</sup>
<b>Lucas Harris</b> <sup>1</sup>	<b>Jacob Poteat</b> <sup>1</sup>
<b>Susan Hendrick</b> <sup>2</sup>	<b>Jane Rucker</b> <sup>4</sup>
<b>Hal Hermann</b> <sup>2</sup>	<b>Family of Anna Bryson Sauer</b> <sup>3</sup>
<b>Buck Juzyk</b> , son-in-law of Newt & Susan Hamlin <sup>1</sup>	<b>Lois Sims</b> , retired teacher and friend of Dan Smith <sup>3</sup>
<b>Phillip Lane</b> , cousin of Susie King <sup>1</sup>	

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*Prayer requests will run for 4-weeks in our bulletin. This will help to keep requests current. Requests may be updated/renewed at any time. We do not want to drop anyone from the list who needs prayer. Please keep us posted.*

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~ OUR MISSIONARIES ~

**Newt & Susan Hamlin**, Missionaries to Papua New Guinea

## For the Record – Week of 07-15-2018

**STEWARDSHIP**  
**OF PRESENCE.....** 146

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**  
**ATTENDANCE.....** 85

Weekly Budget Needs.....	\$ 8,912.06
Pledged Offerings.....	\$ 5,736.00
Non-Pledged Offerings.....	\$ 835.00
Loose Plate Offerings.....	\$ 64.00
Total Tithes & Offerings .....	\$ 6,635.00

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### TODAY'S ASSISTANTS IN MINISTRY

**Bread Maker:** Debbie Best

**Acolyte:** Meg Prevatt

**Sound System:** 8:45 - Jay Ostrander  
11:00 - Ralph Hier

**Greeters:** 8:30 - Ken & Diane Sanford  
10:40 - Jean Schuck & Betsy Woolridge

**Ushers:** 8:40 - Rory Kiser, Head Usher; Earl Furbish  
Russ & Linda Armentrout

10:55 - Alan Henderson, Head Usher; Greg Hodge,  
Jimmy Dancy, Captain; Jeff Powell, Mel Bunch,  
Ralph Hier, David Rogers

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**WELCOME** to First United Methodist Church of Rutherfordton. If you are a guest, we are especially glad you are here. We hope you experience the love and grace of Jesus Christ and warm hospitality as we worship together today.

**MISSING - 3 RECTANGLE TABLE CLOTHS** used for the serving tables in the Fellowship Center. Please return ASAP.

**THE EXTRA DOLLAR** is an invitation to members of First Church who give to the church monthly, quarterly, semi-annually, or annually or by mail, to place "an extra dollar" in the offering plate each Sunday. This is a way to participate in worship through giving, and serve as an example to our children and youth and visitors of our love of Christ and our church.

**NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 29TH**

# Pancake Breakfast



**Sunday, July 29, 2018**  
**9:45 am (During Sunday School)**  
**Fellowship Center**

This will be a church wide event that will allow those of us who see each other infrequently to fellowship together. The cost of this breakfast is a donation of your choice. Come and spend some time getting to know your fellow church members. Meal will be provided by the Fellowship Committee.

**OUR CHURCH IN ACTION**  
**(Daily Bible Readings)**

**SUNDAY, JULY 22**  
**(2 Chronicles 27-28, Psalm 21, Matt. 28)**  
8:00 am - Prayer Walk, PMH  
8:45 am - Worship Service, S  
9:45 am - Sunday School  
11:00 am - Worship Service, S  
3-4:30 pm - Group Dream Work, PMH

**MONDAY, JULY 23**  
**(2 Chronicles 29-30, Psalm 22, Mark 1)**  
8:30 - 9:30 am - Fitness Follies, FC  
10 am - 8 pm - Welcome Table, FC & K  
5-6:30 pm - Welcome Table Served, FC  
6-8:30 pm - NETworX, N, 3<sup>rd</sup> Flr, BA, YC  
6:30 pm - Al Anon, PMH (Newcomers)  
7:00 pm - Al Anon, PMH

**TUESDAY, JULY 24**  
**(2 Chronicles 31-32, Psalm 23, Mark 2)**  
8:30 - 9:30 am - Fitness Follies, FC  
9:00 am - Noon - TLC  
1 pm - Staff Meeting, BA  
6-7:30pm - Youth Bible Study

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 25**  
**(2 Chronicles 33-34, Psalm 24, Mark 3)**  
7:00 am - Men's Breakfast, FC & K  
8:30 - 9:30 am - Fitness Follies, FC  
9:00 am - Noon - TLC  
6:00 pm - Logan Preaching Committee, FR

**THURSDAY, JULY 26**  
**(2 Chronicles 35-36, Psalm 25, Mark 4)**  
6:45 - 7:30 am - Prayer Group, PMH  
8:30 - 9:30 am - Fitness Follies, FC  
9:00 am - Noon - TLC

**FRIDAY, JULY 27**  
**(Ezra 1-2, Psalm 26, Mark 5)**

**SATURDAY, JULY 28**  
**(Ezra 3-4, Psalm 27, Mark 6)**  
12:00 pm - AA Meeting,  
7:00 pm - AA Meeting, PMH

**SUNDAY, JULY 29**  
**(Ezra 5-6, Psalm 28, Mark 7)**  
8:00 am - Prayer Walk, PMH  
8:45 am - Worship Service, S  
9:45 am - Pancake Breakfast, FC  
11:00 am - Worship Service, S  
3-4:30 pm - Group Dream Work, PMH

LEGEND: BA - Balcony, DMC - Dillard Morrow Class, FC  
- Fellowship Center, FR - Front Room, L - Library, N -  
Nursery, NC - Nifong Chapel, NM - Nifong Music  
Room, PMH - Perry-Moore House, S - Sanctuary, YC -  
Youth Center