*I Saw the Light

I wandered so aimless life filled with sin I wouldn't let my dear Savior in Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night Praise the Lord I saw the light

Chorus

I saw the light I saw the light No more in darkness no more in night Now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight Praise the Lord I saw the light

Just like a blind man I wandered along Worries and fears I claimed for my own Then like the blind man that God gave back his sight Praise the Lord I saw the light

I was a fool to wander and stray
Straight is the gate and narrow the way
Now I have traded the wrong for the right
Praise the Lord I saw the light

There Are Loved Ones In The Glory (Will The Circle Be Unbroken)

Chorus

Will the circle be unbroken By and by, Lord, by and by? There's a better home waiting In the sky, Lord, in the sky

There are loved ones in the Glory Whose dear forms you often miss When you close your earthly story Will you join them in their bliss?

In the joyous days of childhood Oft they told of wondrous love Pointed to the dying Savior Now they dwell with Him above

You remember songs of heaven Which you sang with childish voice Do you love the hymns they taught you Or are songs of earth your choice?

You can picture happy gatherings Round the fireside long ago And you think of tearful partings When they left you here below

One by one their seats were emptied One by one they went away Here the circle has been broken Will it be complete one day?

*Goodness Of God

I love You Lord
Oh, Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

All my life You have been faithful All my life You have been so so good With every breath that I am able I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice You have led me through the fire In darkest night You are close like no other I've known You as a father I've known You as a friend I have lived in the goodness of God

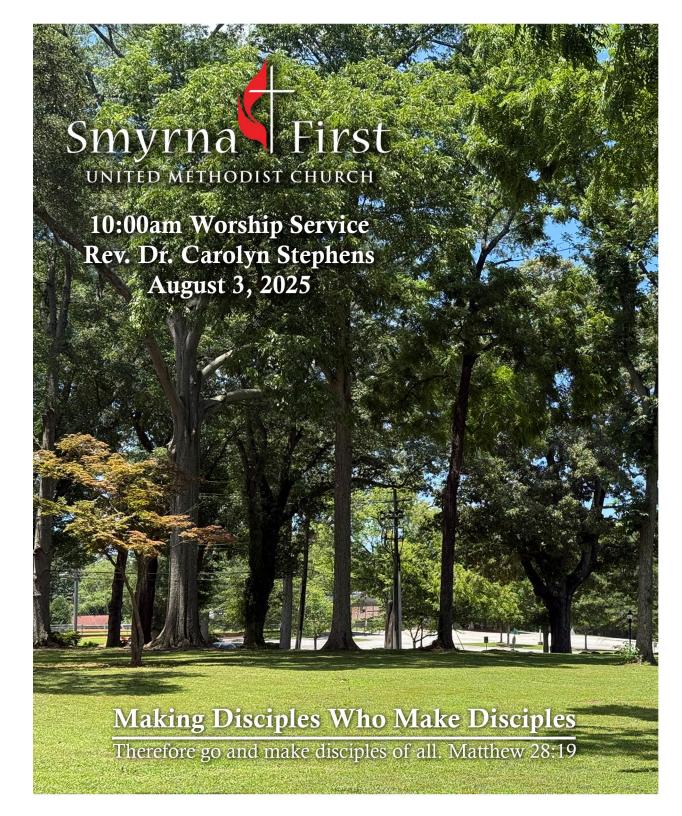
Bridge

Your goodness is running after It's running after me Your goodness is running after It's running after me With my life laid down I'm surrendered now I give You everything Your goodness is running after It's running after me



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We invite our youngest members (8 wks.-3 yrs.) to join our nursery ministry; however, children of all ages are always welcome in worship services.

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

8th Sunday after Pentecost August 3, 2025 • 10:00am Classic Worship

WELCOME

Rev. Derek Porter

MURAL BLESSING

Clergy, Donna Jordan, Julia DeVane, Alan Nicely, Trustees, City Officials, Pace Academy Representatives

WORSHIP SONG

* I Saw the Light (lyrics On back)

Bluegrass Band

RECOGNITION OF EDUCATORS

Rev. Derek Porter

CHILDREN'S MOMENT / BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

Rev. Kathryn Davis, Estee Lassiter

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Jono Moehlig

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

WORSHIP SONG

* Will the Circle Be Unbroken (Ivrics On back)

Bluegrass Band

OFFERTORY

Matthew 5:3-12

Bluegrass Band

OFFERTORY PRAYER

MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Carolyn Stephens

HYMN

* Goodness of God (lyrics On back)

Bluegrass Band

BENEDICTION

Bluegrass Band: Amy Wallace, Mike Wallace, Rick Quinton, Jesse Davis, Patrick Wood, Courtnaye Wood, Taylor Gray, Jeff Duggins, Mike Meiser, Aaron Marr, Richard Hill, Matthew Bernhart

Ushers: Pat Haley, Jim Moore, Tommy Johnson and Martha Curtis

PAUL'S JOURNEY INFORMATION

TODAY, August 3rd,
12:15pm, B211 will be
the first meeting
Rev. Porter will host to
share information on
the September 2026 cruise. If you
cannot make it today, this will
also be offered on August 10th,
and 17th, same time and place.
scan QR code or email Derek
at dporter@smyrnafumc.org.

YOUTH MINISTRY PARENT MEETING

TODAY, August 3rd, 5:30pm, C212. The most important meeting of the year! All parents are invited to learn about all the exciting plans for youth (6th-12 grade) in 2025/26. Meet some of our adult volunteers who will be leading your youth and get a special discount on the first ever Elevate Weekend (in February 2026) just for coming!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

We will welcome back Wednesday Night Dinner **THIS WEEK**, **Aug. 6th**, **5:30pm-6:30pm**, **Fellowship Hall**.

GREETERS

We have many opportunities to serve on Sunday mornings. We are currently **actively looking for Greeters.** If you would like to know more about being a Greeter, contact Amy Kimm, akimm@smyrnafumc.org.

Other servant opportunities include, Donut/Coffee Team, Altar Guild, Communion Stewards, Acolytes, and Audio/Visual team.

AUGUST 10TH, FOLLOW ME TO CHURCH SUNDAY

We will be celebrating being back, fully in the swing of things!

New Service Times:

9:00am - Classic Sanctuary

9:00am - Modern Fellowship Hall

11:15am - Classic Sanctuary

Sunday School Time:

10:15am

WHY SUNDAY SCHOOL?

Because Your Faith Deserves More Than Just a Seat in the Sanctuary.



Whether you're just starting your walk with Jesus or you've been journeying for years, there's a class for every age and stage of life. If you would like to register for Sunday school, please scan the QR Code. All classes will start back on August 10th.

Sunday School Description List

SMYRNA FIRST NAMETAGS

If you would like to order a **Church Name Tag**, contact Amy Kimm, akimm@smyrnafumc.org

MUSIC REHEARSALS

For all involved in the Music Ministry and for those interested in joining the program, we will begin rehearsals, as follows.

Adult Rehearsals begin this Wednesday, August 6

God's Light Youth Choir begins Sunday, August 10

Children's Choirs begin Wednesday, August 13

For specific questions, contact Kim Duggins at kduggins@smyrnafumc.org.
Scan OR code for more information.

THE BRANCHES BIBLE STUDY

Beginning Fall Study on **Thursday, August 14th, 10am-noon.** The Branches is a multi-generational group of women, seeking to grow in Biblical knowledge and deepen our spiritual walk. Contact Claudia Lilly for more information. text: 678-467-4959 or *camlilly49@gmail.com*.

UWF THROUGH THE YEARS: DECADES OF FASHION

August 17th, 2pm, Fellowship Hall. We're thrilled to present a celebration of fashion through the decades, highlighting the rich history of United Methodist Women! We will also serve delicious ice-cream.

If you'd like to participate in the fashion show, contact Kate Marr at *audiologygirl@gmail.com*.

August Calendar

