

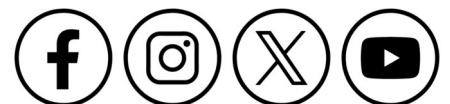


March 9, 2025

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

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March 9, 2025
First Sunday of Lent

Traditional Worship

8:30am Sanctuary
11:00am Sanctuary & Livestream

*Whether you've attended for years or this is your first visit, please sign the pew pad and pass it down so we can get better acquainted.
Please use the Notes section of the Pew Pad to register for events, for questions, or for prayer requests.*

WELCOME & PRAYER

Rev. Don Hanshew,
Rev. Rachel Collins

OFFERING IN MUSIC

"Have Thine Own Way, Lord"

arr. J. Koerts

†HYMN

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

UMH 127

11:00am CHILDREN DISMISS TO FOUNTAINKIDS BIBLE EXPERIENCE

Children (K-5th) may exit to Rm 212. If this is your first visit, please accompany your child for check-in.

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

"The Apostles' Creed"

UMH 881

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.

†GLORIA PATRI

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.

11:00am SPECIAL MUSIC

"Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
Kathryn Paden, *soloist*

arr. Mark Hayes

PRAYER TIME

PASTOR/LEADER: Lord, in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

UMH 895

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.

OFFERTORY

"My Song is Love Unknown"

John Ireland

†DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below;

praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†HYMN

“If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee”

UMH 142

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Exodus 16:4-12

John Mays, Chad Chamberlain

LEADER: The story of God’s love, for the people God loves.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

8:30am SPECIAL MUSIC

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”
Kathryn Paden, *soloist*

arr. Mark Hayes

11:00am ANTHEM

“Good!”
Chancel Choir

Gail Jones Murphy

†SERMON GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 6:7-15

Rev. Collins

PASTOR: The Gospel of our Lord, Jesus Christ, for us, the people of Christ.

ALL: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Bread”

Rev. Collins

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rev. Collins

LEADER: Let us open our lives to this mercy as we pray, saying,

**ALL: It seems we cannot decide, Cloud of Glory. We say we will live to serve others,
But end up meeting only our needs. We claim to live in a way that honors Christ,
But we do not take him to work, school, home. We believe that the Gospel can
Transform lives (at least, for those who need it-not us).**

**Forgive us, Presence of Peace. Instead of grumblers, may we be ambassadors of grace.
Instead of continual complaining, may we carry compassion to the hurting.
Instead of whiners, may we be workers with Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior,
To reach out and bring the kingdom of God to everyone we meet.**

LEADER: This is the good news: there is no ranking in God’s kingdom.

God graces everyone with the same gifts: mercy, restoration, new life.

**ALL: God has kept the covenant. We have been forgiven, we have been made new people.
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

†HYMN

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

UMH 140

†BENEDICTION

Rev. Collins

†11:00am CHORAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE

POSTLUDE

“Largo”

GF Handel

†*Please rise in body or in spirit*

PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Don Hanshew, *Senior Pastor*

Rev. Rachel Collins, *Pastor of Discipleship*

Leslie Hill, *Director of Music Ministries*

Kim Meade, *Pianist*

Stephanie Wayland, *Organist*

Kathryn Paden, *Soloist*

John Mays & Chad Chamberlain, *Lay Readers*

Craig Holtzclaw, David Hueser, Stuart Mitchell,

Richard Bolus, & Greg Smith, *Multimedia*



March 16 & 23 are available to sponsor altar flowers. Many Sundays later in 2025 are also available. Please contact the church office to select your Sunday!

Welcome to Fountain City UMC! We are so glad you are here today. Whether you've been attending for years or this is your first visit, we would like to get better acquainted.

Sunday Morning Schedule

- 8:30am Traditional Worship, Sanctuary
- 9:45am Sunday Morning Discipleship church-wide
- 11:00am Traditional Worship, Sanctuary & YouTube
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship, Gym & YouTube

FountainKids (K-5th) & FountainLittles (Birth-PreK)

- Miss Donna, donna.lewis@fountaincityumc.org
- KidCheck check-in kiosk at Welcome Center
- FountainKids 8:30 & 9:45am Sunday
- Kids Bible Experience, Sunday 11:00am
- Wednesday Kids Club, 6:30pm, Room 209

FCUMC Youth (MS 6th-8th/HS 9th-12th)

- youth@fountaincityumc.org
- 9:45am Sunday Morning Discipleship, Room B17
- Wednesday Night Youth, 6:30pm, OFH
- Sunday Night Youth, 6:30pm

Celebrate Recovery

- Seth Charles, seth.charles@fountaincityumc.org
- Tuesdays 6:00pm Meal, Wesley Hall
- 6:30pm Worship, Gym
- 7:30pm Open Share Groups
- 6:30pm CR Crosswalk Children & Youth
- Wednesday 6:30pm Step Study, Room 201

Dates for Your Calendar

- March 9 Parent Focus Group Breakfast, 9:45am, WH
- March 17-21 KCS Spring Break-No FCF**
- April 13 Palm Sunday
- Dogwood Painting Class, 4:00pm, WH
- April 16 No FCF-Holy Week**
- April 17 Maundy Thursday service, 7:30pm
- April 18 Good Friday service, 7:30pm
- April 20 Easter Sunday

Dogwood Painting Event-Sunday, April 13

Moms, daughters (5 and up) grandmothers, friends-join us for a fun painting class with Carla Keck! She will share step-by-step instructions for creating our own dogwood paintings to take home! All materials will be provided for a \$20 registration fee. There will also be a few fun surprises! Call the church office or scan the QR code in the box at the lower right to register. We look forward to painting with you Sunday, April 13 at 4:00pm in Wesley Hall! Don't miss out, ladies!

Fountain City Fellowship Meal-March 12

Join us this Wednesday, March 12 at 5:30pm for our Fountain City Fellowship meal and classes! **Meals are free for the month of March**, but to help us be good stewards of resources, please register for the meal by noting in the pew pads, calling the church office, or scanning the QR code below. Stay after the meal for one of our classes!

Menu: Shepherd's pie, candied carrots, salad, rolls, cookies
Light meal: Roasted chicken & mixed veggies.



Parent Focus Group Breakfast Today, 9:45am

Inviting all parents! Join us for a Parent Focus Group this morning in Wesley Hall-breakfast will be served! Gather at 9:45am for a 10:00am start, and we will conclude by 10:45am. We invite parents to attend and share insights and ideas on our current children and youth ministries. Help us dream big dreams that will make disciples and change lives for generations to come! Our facilitators will be Dana Underwood, Samantha Hurst, and John Meade, and they look forward to engaging with you. Your voice as a parent is vital as we shape the future of our programs!

Correction of Sympathy Notification

Our sincere apologies to Debbie Sharp. Her father's name was listed incorrectly in last week's bulletin and in the March edition of *The Spirit*. Debbie's father, Richard Lindsey, passed away on February 19, 2025. Our apologies for the error and our sympathies go out to Debbie and her family.

Lenten Devotionals Now Available

Our mission partner, the Society of St. Andrew, produces a Lenten devotional each year. Copies of this year's edition, *A New Day Dawns*, are available outside our worship spaces through Lent. Please take advantage of this Opportunity for spiritual growth through this sacred season.

GIVE NOW!



Scan QR Code to Support our General Ministry Fund or any of our Specific Ministry Areas

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Regular Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm
Friday 9:00am-12:00pm

Ladies-Come, Paint With Us!

April 13 • 4 pm

Step-by-step instructions for creating our own dogwood paintings to take home!

Register →

