

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

November 9, 2025

Twenty-second Sunday After Pentecost

WELCOME AND GREETING

God is Good All the time.
All the time God is Good

Rev. Wil Posey

PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRELUDE

**CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing to the Lord, all the earth!
Share the news of God’s saving work every single day!
Declare God’s glory among the nations;
declare God’s wondrous works among all people
because the Lord is great and so worthy of praise.
Sing to the Lord, all the earth!
- 1 Chronicles 16:23-25, alt

Tom Payne

**HYMN OF PRAISE “Praise To The Lord, The Almighty” UMH 139

**OPENING PRAYER Tom Payne

O God, you pour out your Spirit of grace and love. Deliver us from cold hearts and wandering thoughts, that with burning zeal and steady minds we may worship you in spirit and in truth. Amen.
- Ancient Collects and Other Prayers

CHILDREN’S TIME

PROCLAMATION

**SCRIPTURE READING Luke 12:32-34, Acts 2:42-47

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

**Gloria Patri

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.

SERMON

“Can I Get Give an Amen?”

Rev. A.J. Thomas

RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Wil Posey

**APOSTLES’ CREED

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Moments of silent prayer & personal confession.

Rev. Wil Posey

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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

RECEIVING OF GOD’S TITHE AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

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Leave a gift in the Offering Plate
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Mail: PO Box 86, Murphy, NC 28906


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**DOXOLOGY

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.

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Rev. Wil Posey

**HYMN “To God Be The Glory” UMH 98

SENDING FORTH

BENEDICTION

Rev. Wil Posey

**BENEDICTION “May The Lord Bless You”

May the Lord bless you, May the Lord Keep you,
May the Lord lift up His face to shine on you,
May the Lord bless you, May the Lord Keep you,
May the Lord lift up His face to shine on you.

Chiming of the Trinity

POSTLUDE

RESPONSE The light goes before us into the world.

UMH: United Methodist Hymnal TFWS: The Faith We Sing

** Rise in body or spirit

Our Service of Worship has ended
Our Worship through Service begins
All are welcomed to Worship.

Please assist us by registering your attendance in the notebooks located in the pews, or if you have changed your address or phone number.

Please be aware that we are live streaming and recording this service and will be posting it to social media.

Parents of Young Children

During Worship (11am)*
Nursery (2 rooms) - Birth-2, and 3-5 year olds
Worship readiness—K-5th Grade
No Worship Readiness on Communion Sundays. Kids stay in church.



*Nursery is open from 9:45am-12pm, though children are welcome in worship and will then be released after Children's Time to return to their nursery or

Memorial Donation

In Memory of Deanie Avett
Terry & Vikki Fortner

Heads Up! - New Technology for the Church


Our new church software package allows us to send notices to folks by email, text message and phone call. So if you receive a text from the code, 22383, that’s us.

DOWNLOAD OUR NEW MOBILE APP
Use this link <https://mobile.myamplify.io/landing/W9NP> or search “My Church Home” in your app/play store. Once you have installed it, if you wish to use all of the available features, you must first be registered as a user in our Amplify system. To receive an invitation, reach out to Sue Bell at suzie1028@gmail.com and she will initiate the invitation to register yourself. You MUST have either a unique cell phone number or email Address . If you share email, register with your cell phone number. The app includes the church directory.

Our Potluck Lunch November 16 after Worship:

The host group this month is the Trustee Committee, who will be responsible for set up, serving and clean up. The church will furnish paper products and drinks. We will all enjoy a traditional Methodist fellowship meal together, so please make plans to bring something tasty and join in the fun. Please Join Us.

Next Sunday, November 16 will be New Member Sunday.

If you would like to join the church please reach out to Pastor Wil.
November 17 at 10 AM at Rare Bird—Coffee with Pastor Wil.
If you are interested in either of these items please reach out to Pastor Wil at 386-647-6181

CHRISTMAS IS COMING! - Mark Your Calendar

October is over, and we’re already in Advent and Christmas mode. There’s always more to announce about Advent and Christmas than we can squeeze in one space, so please stay tuned for communications in the month ahead on these opportunities:
11/23 (after worship) Decorating Sanctuary for Advent/Christmas. We’ll share a pizza lunch.
11/30 Hanging of the Greens (in worship)
12/6 Memories with Santa (3:30-5pm)
12/6 S’Mores at the Parade (4-6pm)
12/7 Children’s Christmas Presentation (in worship)
12/7 (6pm) Special Advent Service (Los Posados) at Tomotla UMC
12/14 Choir Cantata (in worship) and Caroling (3-6pm) followed by dinner together
12/17 (6pm) Service of Hope
12/20 Choir Cantata 6 pm at Andrews First UMC
12/21 (12:00pm) Pot Luck Lunch—Trustees will be our hosts
12/24 (6:30pm) Christmas Eve

In addition to these opportunities to worship and share in connection, there will be several ways you can celebrate Christmas through giving: Alternative Christmas Giving, organized by our Missions Team; Christmas Eve Luminaries, that support our Youth Group, special Christmas Eve Offering that will 100% go toward a local ministry.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty 139

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might-y, the King of cre - a -
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous-ly reign -
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros-per thy work and de - fend
 4. Praise to the Lord, who doth nour-ish thy life and re - store
 5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore

tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and sal -
 ing bears thee on ea - gle's wings, e'er in his keep-ing main -
 thee; sure - ly his good-ness and mer-cy here dai - ly at -
 thee, fit - ting thee well for the tasks that are ev - er be -
 him! All that hath life and breath, come now with prais-es be -

va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his tem-ple draw
 tain - ing. God's care en - folds all, whose true good he up -
 tend thee. Pon-der a - new what the Al - might-y can
 fore thee. Then to thy need God as a moth-er doth
 fore him! Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a -

near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 holds. Hast thou not known his sus - tain - ing?
 do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.
 speed, spread-ing the wings of grace o'er thee.
 gain; glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him.

WORDS: Joachim Neander, 1680; sts. 1, 3, 5 trans. by Catherine Winkworth, 1863
 st. 2 by S. Paul Schilling, 1986; st. 4 by Rupert E. Davies, 1983 (Ps. 103:1-6; 150)
 MUSIC: Erneuernten Gesangbuch, 1665; harm. by William Sterndale Bennett, 1864

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1. To God be the glo-ry, great things he hath done! So loved he the
 2. O per - fect re-demp-tion, the pur-chase of blood, to ev-ery be -
 3. Great things he hath taught us, great things he hath done, and great our re -

world that he gave us his Son, who yield - ed his life an a -
 liev - er the prom-ise of God; the vil - est of - fend-er who
 joic-ing thru Je - sus the Son; but pur - er, and high-er, and

tone-ment for sin, and o-pened the life-gate that all may go in.
 tru - ly be-lieves, that mo-ment from Je - sus a par-don re - ceives.
 great-er will be our won-der, our trans-port, when Je - sus we see.

Refrain
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the

Lord, praise the Lord, let the peo-ple re - joice! O come to the Fa-ther thru

WORDS: Fanny J. Crosby, 1875
 MUSIC: William H. Doane, 1875

TO GOD BE THE GLORY
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Je - sus the Son, and give him the glo-ry, great things he hath done!

Sermon Notes

Next Week: November 9, 2025
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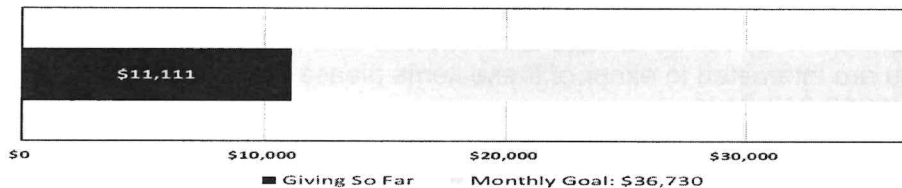
This Week's Ministry Opportunities

Sunday, November 9		Wednesday Continued	
Sunday School	9:45 am	Wesley Ringers	4:30 pm
Worship Service	11:00 am	Chancel Choir	5:30 pm
Quarterly Church Finance Mtg	12:15 pm		
Youth	4:00 pm		
Monday, November 10		Thursday, November 13	
Preschool	8:00 am	Mom's Spiritual Formation	9:30 am
Yoga	10:30 am	Quilters	10:00 am
Chair Exercise class	11:30 pm	Common Ground	6:00 pm
Preschool Committee	5:00 pm		
Tuesday, November 11		Friday, November 14	
Trustees	5:30 pm	Preschool	8:00 am
		Chair Exercise class	11:30 pm
Wednesday, November 12		Saturday, November 15	
Preschool	8:00 am	Al Anon	10:00 am
Worship Meeting	10:00 am		
Chair Exercise class	11:30 pm		
Recapturing Wesley- Bible Study	1:00 pm		
Children's Choir	3:15 pm		
		Sunday, November 16	
		Sunday School	10:00 am
		Worship Service	11:00 am
		Pot Luck Lunch	12:00 pm
		Youth	4:00 pm

OUR FAITHFULNESS 2025

Worship attendance November 2 256
Received November 2 \$ 11,111
Detailed Financial information is available at the church office upon request.

Monthly Giving Report November 2025



*When you're waiting on God's plan for you,
your life is not on hold.
This is the season that the Lord is refining you,
preparing you for His purpose and renewing your strength in
His presence.*

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!!

We are asking for donations for our annual Christmas Box Project. With these funds we purchase gifts and gift cards for students selected from Murphy High School, Murphy Middle School and the Tri-County Early College program. We plan to do our Christmas shopping during the last week of November so these gifts can be passed along to the schools in plenty of time for distribution.

We will also be preparing for our "Memories with Santa" event which will occur on Saturday, December 6th. In an effort to make it easier for parents and small children to participate in both Memories and also the town's Christmas Parade, this event will run from 3:30 to 5:00 pm in our Fellowship Hall. Our Mission Team will also be doing popcorn and smores out in front of the church from 4:00 to 6:00 pm when the parade actually begins. Thank you for your prayers and gifts during this special time of year! UWFaith - Willing Hands Circle

ONLINE GIVERS we've changed our giving platform please use the new QR code in today's bulletin or the online button on the web page. Please also turn off your Vanco donation if you are already giving online—for help send an email to admin @murphyfirstumc.org



What's Next? Memory Verse
Secret Code

Decode the secret message.

The secret message is written in symbols. In the code key at the bottom of the page you can find what each symbol means. Write the letter above the symbol and you can read the secret message.

Good luck!

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TRUSTEE ON CALL

November—Mark Mobley

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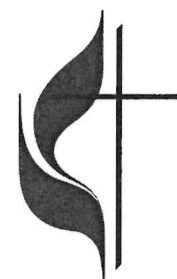
Everyone, Ministers

Church Office Hours

Tuesday - Thursday
Monday and Friday

9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Closed

**First United Methodist Church
Murphy, NC**



Our **Mission** is to:

Live as a community transformed by God's grace,
sent to love and serve like Jesus.

Our **Vision** is to:

Build communities of hope where all people
experience belonging and abundant life.

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