

WELCOME!!!

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

We welcome each of you to our worship services today.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES & TEACHERS

Children's and Youth Classes

Blackburn Education Building

Nursery (Infant to Pre-K): Rm. 102 - Kelly Hayes, Alicia Gregory, Nicole Duenas

Sunday School

Children's Sunday School (Pre-K—5th Grade)

Room 104 Hannah Thomas, Kate Putney, Ellen Poland, Amy Stadiem

Youth Small Groups

Room 204 Kaitlyn Dean, Mandy & Wes Berry

Adult Classes

Bradshaw Class: Parlor, Barbara Robl

Open Door Discussion Class: Room 201

Transforming Lives Class: 2nd Floor, Room 202

Sanctuary Building

Adult Classes

Pathfinders Bible Study Class: Chapel, Michelle Newton

Woman to Woman: First Floor, Conference Room - Debbie Bradley

Hardison Discussion Class: 2nd Floor, Dave

Williams, various class members

Watson Class: 2nd. Floor, Snookie Parker

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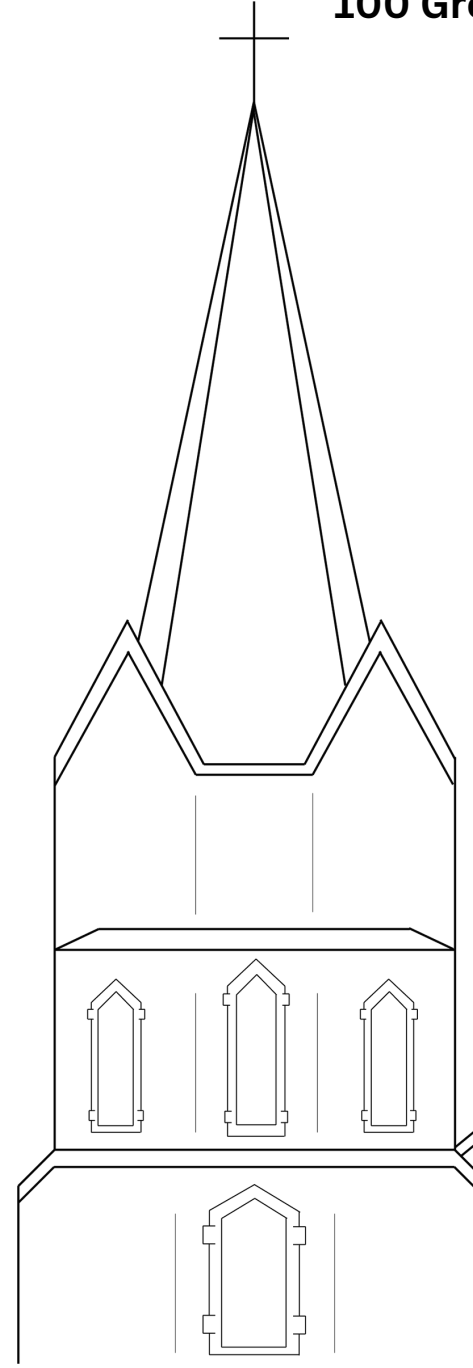
The Reverend Mike Frese, Senior Pastor
Dr. William M. Presnell, Pastor Emeritus
The Reverend Robert E. Bergland, Pastor Emeritus
Mr. David Bellows, Director of Traditional Music Ministries
Ms. Blythe Evans, Contemporary Worship Leader
Mrs. Hannah Bland, Director of Children and Family Ministries
Mr. Tiler Bland, Director of Youth Ministries
Mrs. Lindsey O'Neill, Administrative Assistant
Mrs. Shelley Gibson, Director of Communications
Mrs. Lorie Daniel, Director of Weekday School
Mrs. Fran Stafford, Financial Secretary
Mr. Boris Farmer, Custodian

Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00pm

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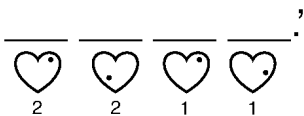
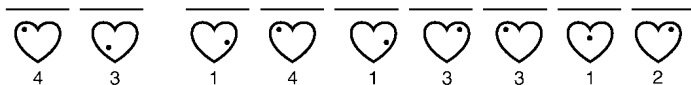
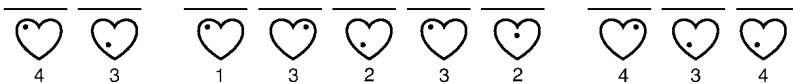
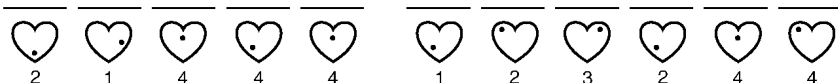
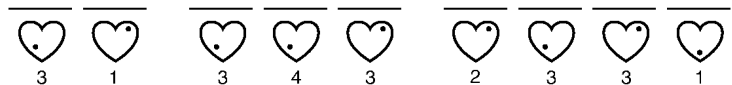
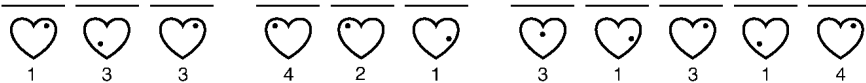
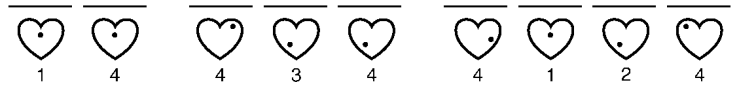
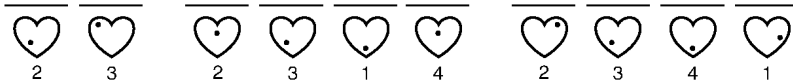
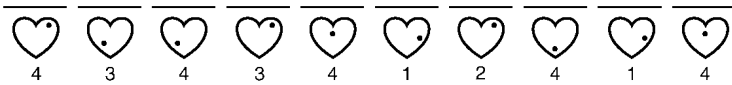
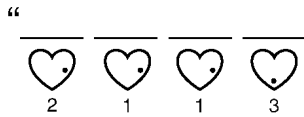
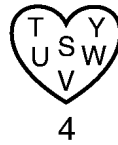


"Invite, Inspire, Ignite"

**November 17, 2024
Twenty-sixth Sunday
after Pentecost**

What did Jude want the believers to do?

Use the heart code to find the answer.



FUMC Kids will host their annual **Birthday Party for Jesus** on December 8th from 10 - 10:45 AM in Asbury Hall. This is open to kids from 3 - 5th grade and includes games, cookies and more!

FUMC Family Dinner & Christmas Celebration: This exciting celebration brings together multiple church groups for a memorable evening filled with fun and festive activities. We'll have two delicious dinner seatings, fun Christmas crafts for kids, visits with Santa Claus, and a cozy hot chocolate and coffee bar, and a musical program, "We're Going to Bethlehem," presented by the weekday school students at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. To RSVP for one of the dinners, please scan the QR code. For more information, please visit the "What's Happening" page of our website at www.fumcwilson.org.



Please stop by the front desk during the week to welcome our new Administrative Assistant, Lindsey O'Neill to our staff! We are delighted to have Lindsey as part of our church staff family.

MUSIC MINISTRIES

CHILDREN'S CHOIR will meet for rehearsal today, November 17 at 5:00 p.m. The Children's Choir will be singing next in worship on December 15 at the 5:00 p.m. White Gift Service.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT performance will be held on December 8 at 7:00 p.m. FUMC Chancel Choir, Guest Soloists and Orchestra will combine under the direction of David Bellows to present an exciting festive program featuring the Corelli *Christmas Concerto*, Vivaldi's *Gloria* and other Carols. Free Concert. Donations accepted for the "Psalm 150" Music Ministries Fund.

CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR Interested in singing some fun carols for the 9:00 p.m. service on December 24? Consider joining the chancel choir for just this special service. Contact David Bellows for more details: davidbellows@fumcwilson.org

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

- 9:00 Contemporary Worship Service - Asbury
- 10:00 Adult Sunday School Children/Youth Small Groups - Sanctuary Building and Blackburn
- 11:00 Traditional Worship Service - Sanctuary
- 5:00 Green Street Kids - Blackburn
- 5:00 Youth Group - Asbury Hall

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18

- 8:30 Weekday School - Blackburn Weekday School
- 10:00 CHEW Packaging - Asbury Hall
- 6:00 Choir Sectionals - Various rooms
- 6:30 Youth Leaders Meeting - Conference Room

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

- 8:30 Weekday School - Blackburn Weekday School
- 10:00 Staff Meeting - Conference Room
- 6:00 Handbell Rehearsal - Watson Classroom
- 6:30 SPRC - Conference Room

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20

- 8:30 Weekday School - Blackburn Weekday School
- 9:30 Weekday School Chapel - Sanctuary
- 6:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Music Suite

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21

- 8:30 Weekday School - Blackburn Weekday School
- 6:30 Praise Band Practice - Asbury Hall

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

- 8:30 Weekday School - Blackburn Weekday School
- 9:00 ECU Organ Lessons - Sanctuary

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

LOOKING AHEAD...

November 28 & 29: Church Office Closed

December 1: Family Movie Night

December 4: FUMC Christmas Celebration

December 8: Birthday Party for Jesus

December 8: Youth Progressive Christmas Party

December 8: Chancel Choir Christmas Concert

December 15: White Gift Service

December 24: Family Christmas Eve Service

December 24: Candlelight Christmas Eve Service

December 24 - 26: Church Office Closed

From the Pastor . . .

Generosity Sunday is coming soon. On the last Sunday of the month, November 24, we will collect Pledge Cards and consecrate to the Lord the generosity that has been indicated in our responses. While stewardship is often associated with financial commitment to the budget, the concept of stewardship is much greater and deeper than money. Stewardship is about the way we live our lives. It is how we invest our time, talent, and treasure in God's work in the world through the church. Ultimately, this is a matter of faith. Our giving is first and foremost an act of worship. Through our giving, we acknowledge that God is the source of all blessings. Our generosity is a sign of our gratitude for God's good gifts. Secondly, our giving is an act of faithfulness in which we trust God to provide for our needs, even as we give to Christ's mission in the world.

Scripture teaches us that God is generous, and that God is loving. The heart of the gospel is summed up in John 3:16, "God so loved the world that he gave his only Son ..." Loving leads to giving. Grace leads to generosity. Even in times of difficulty, God's blessings abound. The sharing of our lives with God and through Christ's church is a sign of both our gratitude and our love. This is the rationale behind this year's stewardship theme, "Give out of thanksgiving – with a full heart."

I hope you will take time over the next few weeks to consider all the blessings in your life and the fullness of God's love for you. Pray about how God is calling you to invest in the ministry of Jesus by supporting the church with your gifts of time, talent, and treasure. They freely, joyously, and faithfully respond through your pledge. May God's Spirit guide you.

Mike Frese

UPHOLDING OUR VOWS TO THE CHURCH BY OUR PRAYERS

Remember those in hospitals, retirement and rest homes, and the sick and shut-ins with prayers, cards, calls, and visits:

Hospital: Nell Wheeler - WilMed
Chalmer Grantham - Rex

BY OUR PRESENCE

The following numbers represent our in-person and livestream numbers for Sunday, Nov. 10, 2024:

9:00 am Worship Service

In-Person - 62 Online - 16*

11:00 am Worship Service

In-Person - 127 Online - 26*

Total In-Person Attendance - 189

Total Online Worship Attendance - 42

Sunday School - 45

*YouTube did not stream

BY OUR GIFTS

2024 Operating Budget	\$1,083,500
Weekly Requirement	\$20,837
Received November 10, 2024	\$10,878
YTD Requirement	\$937,644
Received YTD	\$936,653
Over (Under)	\$(992)

BY OUR SERVICE AND OUR WITNESS

FUMC Kids will be hosting a **Family Movie Night** on December 1 from 5 - 7 p.m. Dinner will be included (chicken nuggets and pizza), along with games and other activities. Please wear your PJ's and come out for a fun night! Families of all types and ages are welcome! Movie - *The Star*

The Worship of God

9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship Hour

Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Gathering of God's People

Sharing in Song

**RAISE A HALLELUJAH
MADE FOR MORE**

Praise Band

Welcome and Announcements

Children's Moments

Stewardship Moment

First Lesson

Ephesians 6:10-20

Pastoral Prayer

Special Music

I SPEAK JESUS
(Please sign and pass the attendance pad)

Praise Band

Prayer of Dedication

WORD FOR THE DAY

Second Lesson

Jude 1:17-25

Morning Message

"Defending Our Faith"

Tiler Bland

OUR RESPONSE

Closing Song

JESUS MY EVERYTHING

Praise Band

Reader: Blythe Evans

Sound Operator: Ashdyn Clemmer

ProPresenter: Shelley Gibson

Video: Emma Reel

Greeters: The Clemmers

We are so grateful to all who give of their time and talents to our Praise Band. Thank you for leading in worship and for your ministry to our church!

The Worship of God

11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Hour
Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Please let the first note of the prelude be a call to silent meditation.

PRELUDE “We Gather Together” D. Wood

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

+HYMN NO. 131 “We Gather Together” KRESMER

CHORAL INTROIT “Let All Things Now Living” Traditional

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

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.

+HYMN NO. 71 GLORIA PATRI GREATOREX

CHILDREN’S CHOIR “For the Beauty of the Earth” K. Coe
Janet Bennett, Accompanist

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

FIRST LESSON Ephesians 6:10-20 NT page 195

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please sign and pass the attendance pads.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM “Sing to the Lord of Harvest” H. Willan

+HYMN NO. 95 DOXOLOGY OLD 100th

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SECOND LESSON Jude 1:17-25 NT page 242

MORNING MESSAGE “Defending Our Faith” Tiler Bland

+HYMN NO. 102 “Now Thank We All Our God” NUN DANKETT

+DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

+A TIME OF SILENCE AND TRINITY CHIMES

POSTLUDE “Dance on ‘We Plow the Fields and Scatter’” M. Archer

+Those who are able, please stand.

The flowers in the chancel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Joyce Narron Gay by Sandy and David Clark and family.

Participating with the clergy today:

Sound: David Presnell Scripture Reader: Nancy Owens
Video: Shelley Gibson Greeters: Jenny Harrison
Crucifer: Walton Green Acolyte: Nola Green

Prepare for Next Sunday: Psalm 100 and Exodus 25:1-5, 36:20-29