



Welcome to First UMC Commerce!

We Gather

Prelude "Festival Procession" R. Strauss
 Enter with Acolytes The Bourcy Family
 Choral Call to Worship "Let All Mortal Flesh"
 Welcome Pastor Cheryl

We Praise

* Hymn "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" UMH 278
 * Words of Worship Psalm 95

Leader: God is good!

People: All the time!

Leader: And all the time!

People: Good is good!

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

People: God's steadfast love endures forever!

Leader: We enter the gates of the Lord and gives thanks, for this is the day the Lord has made!

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

* Hymn "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" UMH 277

We Proclaim

Children's Place Amy Stark
[You are invited to sign our attendance register. Fill out your contact information to receive emails about activities going on in the church.]

Anthem "Hosanna to the King" D. Forrest
 Scripture Matthew 21:1-11 Pastor Cheryl

Message **I Love a Parade**

We Respond

For Baptism & Confirmation: Brianna Marie Bourcy and Michael Scott Bourcy

For Confirmation: Tucker Stark

Reception into the Local Congregation

Commendation and Welcome

Offertory "Dear Christians, One and All, Rejoice" J. S. Bach
 Invitation to Christ's Table
 The Great Thanksgiving
 The Lord's Prayer
 Prayer after Receiving Communion Pastor Cheryl
 * Hymn of Invitation "What Wondrous Love Is This" UMH 292

We Go Forth

* Opportunities to Serve
 * Sending Forth Pastor Cheryl
 * Choral Benediction "Three Fold Amen"
 Postlude "Postudio Festiva" S. Karg-Elert
 *You are invited to stand.

Worship Leaders

Cheryl Murray, Pastor
 Gene Lockhart, Choir Director
 John Burkett, Organist
 John Mark Dempsey, Sound Tech
 Claire Floyd, Video Tech

Prayer List

- Family of Sandy Hutton
- Amanda, named by Jan Helton
- Jack Gray
- Richard Stapleton, Al Stapleton's brother (advanced Parkinson's)
- Emma Dean, 3rd grader fighting a severe staph infection, named by Chance Webster
- Scott Prather, fighting stomach cancer
- Sam Elwell
- Lynette Gill, Lee Riddle's daughter
- Tom Bailey
- Pete and Ann Chamberlain
- Carlos Rickman
- Rev. Dennis Wilkinson
- Bill Heitholt
- Janet & Jim Payne, sister of Becky Coker
- Manuel Henderson
- Georgia Gholston
- Melanie Corteaal
- Judy Corteaal

Our Lenten Mission of the Month is the Blessings Table. Every dollar bill dropped in the collection plate (or check with "Blessings Table" in the memo line) will benefit this mission.

You can also give online. Get started today by visiting the church website at www.fumccommerce.org or by scanning the QR code below and select Mission of the Month. It's easy! Try it today.



Ministers
Pastor
Office Manager & Communications
Financial Secretary
Children's Director
Youth Director
Little Ark Director
Choir Director
Organist
Custodians

All Members of the Congregation
Rev. Cheryl Murray
Sharon Duncan
Mariann Andrews
Amy Stark
Ashlyn Woods
Jennifer Knight
Gene Lockhart
Dr. John Burkett
Sandra & Fernando Medrano

Upcoming Activities

- April 4-Men's Breakfast at Omega's at 8am
- April 5- Oak Manor worship at 10am, Little Ark chapel at 11am, Country Home Estates worship at 2pm
- April 5-Pastor's Lenten Bible Study at 6pm in the Friendship Room
- April 5-Choir Rehearsal at 7pm
- April 6-Serve meets at 10:30am
- April 6-First Thursday Luncheon at noon in the Family Ministry Center
- April 6-Maundy Thursday Communion Service 7pm
- April 7-Good Friday Church Offices and Little Ark closed
- April 7-Tenebrae Service at 7pm
- April 9-Easter Sunday egg hunt at 9:30am; service at 10am



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**April 2, 2023
10:00am Sanctuary**