

### CHILDREN'S CORNER

Children are always welcome in worship and we embrace their presence, their joy and the fun things they often do & say as we worship. However, if your child is actively upset we would invite you to take them into the gathering area to be calmed down. You are also welcome to take advantage of our nursery which is down the hall for children 6 months-3 years old. All children who are ages 4-10 may participate in a children's church ministry called First Steps following the Children's Moment. They will enjoy a snack, an activity or craft, and a lesson based on the sermon text. Lastly, we have crayons and children's bulletins available in the gathering area for those who would like to be creative during worship.



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### Attendance last Sunday

In-Person: 102 On-line: 36

### Stewardship as of August 2, 2026

Giving last week: \$4,345.00

Weekly budget need: \$5,723.00

Year-To-Date giving: \$184,211.57

Year-To-Date budget: \$177,413.00

*Thank you so much for your continued generosity and faithfulness in supporting the ministry of our church.*

**Flowers:** Given by the children of Chad and Margaret Chester in honor of their parents 50th anniversary

**Coffee Bar:** Kris Browder

**Lay Leader:** LeeAnne Strickland

**Usher Team:** Ray Nelson and Ben Barger

**Production Team:** Steve Tweed, Regina Warfel, Carter Kennedy, Briley Williford and Zander Liszeski

**Pianist:** Bev Taylor

**Organist:** Mary Alice huff

**Youth Ministry Leaders:**  
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# First United Methodist Church

August 9, 2026

*Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost*



## “A Walk on the Water”

**Matthew 14: 22-33**

*Welcome! We pray that worship here at First United Methodist Church is a blessing for you, as your presence blesses us. Our mission here at FUMC is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. If you would like to learn more about our church and its ministries you can find a copy of the church newsletter, welcoming brochures, and devotionals in the gathering area. There are refreshments available at our coffee bar. Please fill out the clipboard at the end of your row to register your attendance and tell us a little more about you.*

***“So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water and came toward Jesus.”***

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

August 9, 2026

10:30AM

*We are glad you have chosen to worship with us this morning. Whether this is your church home or the first time that you have entered our doors, we extend a warm welcome to you.*

✠ *Please stand as you are able*

# PRELUDE

# WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# LeeAnne Strickland

*(At this time please register your in-person attendance on the clipboard placed in each pew.)*

# INVITATION TO PASS THE PEACE

*"May the Peace of Christ be with you....and also with you."*

# TRINITY CHIMES

## SUNG CALL TO WORSHIP

## *“Jesus, Name Above All Names”*

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## ✠ WORDS OF INVITATION

L: God speaks peace to the faithful, to those who turn to God in their hearts.

**P: Surely salvation is at hand for those who fear God.**

L: Where God dwells, steadfast love and faithfulness meet;  
righteousness and peace kiss each other.

**P: Faithfulness springs up from the ground and righteousness looks down from the sky. God gives what is good and we respond with abundant praise!**

## ✠ HYMN OF PRAISE

## *“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”*

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## ✠ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

## From Romans 8

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**✠ GLORIA PATRI**

## #70

## CONFESSION

**Lord Jesus, we call upon you. Save us! We are intimidated by our circumstances, distracted from your purposes, drowning in doubts and fears. We are presumptuous about your will, belittling others and magnifying ourselves. We envy the blessings of others, secretly despising their dreams. We have hardened our hearts to the suffering of our brothers and sisters, feeding ourselves in the face of the injustice that holds the captive. Lord Jesus, who searches our hearts, lift us from sin and help us to walk with you in faith, humility, and brotherly-sisterly love. Amen.**

*silence for personal confession*

## Sermon Notes

We hope you use this space for reflections and reminders from the Sermon or throughout the service.

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## Prayer Requests for 8/9/26

Requests will stay in our bulletin for 2 weeks and  
will be moved to our continuing prayer list at  
lumcm.com

- ◆ John Maiuri and family
- ◆ Mary Kefauver and family
- ◆ Dan Cordial (health) (Taylor friend)
- ◆ Gary Cloud and family (Lois Green)
- ◆ Kathy Isbill and family
- ◆ John West and family (passing of daughter) (Larson)
- ◆ Conlie Rasnake (health) and family (Dopkins)
- ◆ Praise that Abby Blair will be joining our staff and as our Coordinator of Children and Family Ministries
- ◆ Dr. Barbara Levin and family
- ◆ Ron Stiltner and family (Rose)
- ◆ Margie Burns and family in the death of her husband Dave Burns (Browder)
- ◆ Family of Gene Bivens (Tweed family)
- ◆ Janice Grimm (Rose)
- ◆ Praises and prayers for the birth of Oliver Dean Lands son of Hannah Harrell and Hagen Lands (grandson of Charlie and Phyllis Harrell)
- ◆ Alisha Gordon (beginning boot camp and friend of Haley Derby)
- ◆ Family of Ronnie Gay (Veronica Venable's father)
- ◆ Family of Amber Isbill's father (Jennifer McKenzie)
- ◆ Family and friends of Reverend Larry Dial and his congregations at Asbury UMC and French Broad UMC
- ◆ Carolyn Peters and family
- ◆ Praise for the Barr family in the adoption of their new son and brother Drake
- ◆ Tara Stewart and family
- ◆ Jill (Peters) Reeves and family
- ◆ Kevin and Bev Taylor and family
- ◆ Sue Kromhaut (Warfel friend)
- ◆ Unspoken Prayers



**New Pastor’s Bible Study Beginning in September...“Mostly Methodical”**

Rev. Chris Black will once again host a home style Bible Study beginning on Wednesday, September 2nd at 7:00PM in classroom #5 which is a downstairs classroom across from the Community Room. This new class called “*Mostly Methodical*” will take a fun and inviting look at what it means to be Methodist today. We will rely heavily on scripture but will also delve into the history, theology and experience of what it means to be a Methodist. If you have questions about the upcoming class, please email Pastor Chris at [cblack@firstumcmadisonville.org](mailto:cblack@firstumcmadisonville.org).



**Mark your calendars for Family Night Supper!**

On Wednesday, August 19th at 6:00PM we will be having our monthly family night supper in the fellowship hall, and we want to invite you to bring your favorite summer dish! This could be casseroles, deviled eggs, vegetables, fruit, bread, meat loaf, chicken, etc. Every time we have a family night supper it is a wonderful time to fellowship and break bread together and our dinner on August 19th will be no different!

**Bible Fellowship and Joyful Ringers**

We are continuing with the new series today, Sunday, August 9th after worship. Please join us for “*Think, Act, Be Like Jesus*”. A light lunch will be shared during the study.

\*On the 2nd and 4th Sundays come back/stay until 2PM for our amazing Joyful Ringers, FUMCs Bell Choir. You do NOT need to have musical talent to play with us and we would love to have a full bell choir!



**Become Part of Our Church Family**

**Are you interested in joining our Church?**

We are a faith community that is incredibly blessed because we have so many active members! We are blessed also because we have numerous folks who have been faithful as long-time visitors and some who have been wonderful short-term guests. If you are someone who is interested in learning more about what it means to join the church as a full member, please feel free to reach out to Pastor Chris at [cblack@firstumcmadisonville.org](mailto:cblack@firstumcmadisonville.org).

**Senior Fellowship Lunch**

Join us on Wednesday, August 26th at Lenoir City Chili's (320 Fort Loudon Medical Center Drive) at 11:30AM. If you would like to carpool meet in the upper parking lot by 10:30AM.



**Coffee Bar Ministry**

Our coffee bar is a warm way to welcome people into our fellowship and worship time each Sunday. FUMC provides juice, coffee, creamers and all paper products. Janet Tweed takes care of the table decorations and stocking supplies. We ask for volunteers to take turns providing simple finger-food. Cookies and donuts are always popular! Set up and clean up are part of the volunteering. If you have questions, please talk to Janet Tweed; asking does not commit you to help! There is a sign-up sheet on a clip board at the coffee bar. There is also a sheet of written information about the tasks involved that you could take. We invite you to participate in this ministry.



**PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUESTS**

Rev. Chris Black

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

Rev. Chris Black

**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.*

✠ HYMN “I’m So Glad, Jesus Lifted Me”

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**CHILDRENS MOMENT**

Rev. Chris Black

**INVITATION TO OFFERING**

*(During this time we worship by the giving of our gifts and offerings for the work of the church in ministry and mission.)*

**OFFERTORY**

✠ DOXOLOGY #94

**SCRIPTURE Matthew 14: 22-33**

L: The Word of God, for the People of God.  
P: Thanks be to God.

SERMON “A Walk on the Water”

Rev. Chris Black

✠ CLOSING HYMN “Only Trust Him”

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✠ BENEDICTION

✠ BENEDICTION RESPONSE “Only Trust Him”

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✠ TRINITY CHIMES

✠ POSTLUDE



*~Serve the Lord this week where you are able~*