

Living and Loving like Christ

Order of Worship

8:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Chiming of the Hour (11am)	
Prelude (8am) / Processional (11am)	
	“Somebody’s Knockin’ At Your Door” African-American Spiritual; arr. Phillip Keveren
Bringing in the Light	
Greeting and Announcements	
Choral Introit (11am)	“Surely The Presence of the Lord” Lanny Wolfe
Hymn	“Be Thou My Vision” UMH 451
Affirmation of Faith	Affirmation from Romans 8:35, 37-39 UMH 887
Gloria Patri	UMH 71
Congregational Care	
The Lord’s Prayer	
Offertory Hymn	“Take Time to Be Holy” UMH 395
Offertory Prayer	
Offertory	“I Surrender All” Judson Van De Venter; arr. Gregg Howlett
Special Music (8am)	“Standing On the Promises” Summer Singers preview R. Kelso Carter
Choral Anthem (11am)	“Where Charity and Love Prevail” Richard Erickson
Scripture	Luke 16:1-13
Sermon	Lanita Monroe
Hymn	“God Be with You till We Meet Again” UMH 673
Benediction	
Choral Benediction (11am)	“Let There Be Peace On Earth” Miller/Jackson
Taking the Light into the World	
Music for Going Forth	“Total Praise” Richard Smallwood

Traditional Worship Today

Sylvia Schneider, pianist

The flowers on the altar today were given to the glory of God by Sue Smart, in celebration of what would have been Cal’s and her 45th wedding anniversary on September 23.

Opportunities/Announcements

January 2026 Sager Brown Mission Team will meet on Wednesday September 24, at 3:00 p.m. in Room 7.

**Blessing of the Animals:** The clergy of the Glade will be gathering on Monday, October 6, at 10:30 a.m. in the parking lot of Saint Francis of Assisi Catholic Church to bless the animals. Bring your furry friend to receive a blessing from your pastors. If your pet does not do well with a lot of other animals around, bring a picture of your pet. Last year, Father Michael blessed a colony of honey bees as part of our Blessing of the Animals service!

**Change of Date:** October 20, at 10:00 a.m., Lanita and Matt will lead the seminar “Facing the Future Unafraid.” This is a class Lanita developed while here as our associate pastor to help make pre-planning arrangements for end of life. It is important that we talk about these issues while we are healthy rather than facing decisions when we have received a diagnosis or are feeling the crush of natural aging. The seminar will cover advanced directives and the language of them, hospice care, and funeral/burial planning. As a practicing attorney, Matt will be leading an informational time about wills and estate planning. It may not seem like something you want to talk about, but it will be a gift to your family to have it all pre-planned. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. Please sign up so we can prepare enough handouts for everyone.

**Prayer Requests:** If you would like to be a prayer warrior and receive prayer requests each week by email for people in our congregation, or, if you would like to be part of the team who sends the requests out, please contact Anne Grove (ajgrove40@gmail.com or 815-535-3920). It is a wonderful way to volunteer and prayers are so meaningful.

**Pictorial Directories:** Check out the new Pictorial Directory section of our website (ffgumc.org). *Reminder:* If you sat for a photo in May, or submitted your own picture, please pick up your printed copy of our pictorial directory from the Church Office (Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.; Friday 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.).

**Celebrating Carol Pontius:** Carol was named Volunteer of the Month for Habitat for Humanity for August 2025. We celebrate Carol’s faithfulness and dedication to a vital ministry in our community. Carol is often at the front counter of the Habitat for Humanity ReStore in Crossville. She greets people at the cash register with her gracious smile and her helpful attitude. Carol’s heart for service is evidenced by her willingness to work her own regular hours, as well as stepping in to assist others. Congratulations Carol! You are a blessing to us and to our community.

Small Groups, Bible Studies, Committee Meetings Week of September 21	
SUNDAY, 09/21/25	WEDNESDAY, 09/24/25
10:30am.... Christian Characters SS Class	3:00pm. Sager Brown Mission Team Mtg
3:00pm ..... Summer Singers Concert	4:00pm .....Handbells Rehearsal
MONDAY, 09/22/25	5:30pm ..... Choir Rehearsal
8:00am..... Men’s Prayer Breakfast	THURSDAY, 09/25/25
9:30am.....Chair Yoga	9:00am .....Men’s Bible Study
1:30pm ..... Bible Study Tech	9:30am ..... Chair Yoga
5:00pm ..... Stephen Ministry Training	5:00pm .....Stephen Ministry Training
TUESDAY, 09/23/25	6:00pm .....Praise Band Rehearsal
9:00am.....Mobile Soup Kitchen Prep	FRIDAY, 09/26/25
9:30am..... Crafters for Missions	12:30pm ..... Ladies Game Day
10:00am..... GriefShare	SATURDAY, 09/27/25
12:00pm ..... Ladies Game Day	9:30pm .....Choral Festival Rehearsal
12:00pm ..... High Noon Sisters	
3:00pm ..... Council of Stewards Meeting	

Congregational Care

University of Tennessee Medical Center: Louie Weatherford

Cumberland House Hospice: Derith Skipworth

Bledsoe County Nursing Home, Pikeville, TN: Dean Kanuckel

Dominion Senior Living: Peggy Cook, Sharon Meyer, Marilyn Orr

Good Samaritan Society: Kathie Sampson

Holiday Lake Shore Commons, Wilmington, NC: JoAnn Mintz

Morning Pointe of Lenoir City: Joy Morrison

NHC Place at Cool Springs, Franklin, TN: Tom Smith

Uplands Village: Mary Nell Benson, Wilma Roth

**At home:** Sue Armstrong, Sandra Ashmore, Phyllis Betz, Linda Bowman, Les Cecil, Richard Comshaw, Jeff Crosby, Karen DeVinney, C.C. Duff, Judy Flinn, Larry Gagnon, Suzanne Gill, Karen Gundy, Janet Hadd, Vern Hotckkiss, Don Kenne, Kandy Kimble, Donna Klippel, Fred Kirchner, Jim Kubacki, Bill Lapiska, Barb Leach, Diane Mallard, Lois McMorran, Barbara & Jim Mercer, Sid Miller, Gail Murray, Pat Olsen, Carol Pontius, Bob Roberts, Ron Roberts, Babs & Ed Sanders, Larry Schroth, Sharon Shallcross, Donna Slinkard, Kurt Smith, Nancy Dralle Smith, John Snyder, Phyllis Stone, Gary Storer, Betty Sweborg, Rodney Todd

**Please remember all of our homebound members in prayer. Also, please continue to keep the brave and proud people in your prayers where war continues to rage.**

Recent Surgeries and Procedures: Shirley Justin

Upcoming Surgeries and Procedures: None known

For Pastoral Care this week, please call:

Rev. Lanita Monroe (931) 200-1981

Rev. Connie Hall (931) 303-1449

Pastor Matt McClanahan (931) 210-8674



Welcome to our guests!  
Please join us in Fellowship Hall  
after worship for coffee and cookies.

All Worship Services Today

Thanks to our **Audio/Video Media Team:**

8:00am: Gary Molnar (audio)

9:15am: David Farley, John Jeffers (audio/stage hands)

11:00am: David Farley (video slides preparation),

Jackson Prine (in-house audio), John Jeffers (streaming audio)

Mary Runfeldt (video projection), Luke Jeffers (streaming)

Thanks also to our **Behind-the-Scenes Staff**

whose efforts help make Sunday worship possible:

Ruth Kmiec (bulletins), Scott Lybarger (facility),

Martha Waldo (custodian), Jonny Miller (custodian),

Ruth Nelson (nursery)



September 21, 2025  
Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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A Stephen Ministry Congregation



September 21, 2025

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Order of Worship  
9:15 a.m.

Jammin’ For Jesus!

Greeting and Announcements

Gathering

“Because of Your Love”

Yeah, Yeah, Yeah, Yeah

Verse:

As we come into Your presence  
We remember every blessing  
That You’ve poured out so freely from above.  
Lifting gratitude and praises for compassion so amazing  
Lord we’ve come to give You thanks for all You’ve done.

Chorus:

Because of Your love we’re forgiven  
Because of Your love our hearts are clean  
We lift You up with songs of freedom  
Forever we’re changed because of Your love.  
Yeah, Yeah

Repeat Verse

Repeat Chorus 2x

Yeah, Yeah

Paul Baloche & Brenton Brown

“Word of God, Speak”

I'm finding myself at a loss for words  
And the funny thing is, it's okay  
The last thing I need is to be heard  
But to hear what You would say

Chorus:

Word of God speak  
Would You pour down like rain  
Washing my eyes to see Your majesty  
To be still and know that You're in this place  
Please let me stay and rest in Your holiness  
Word of God speak

I'm finding myself in the midst of You  
Beyond the music, beyond the noise  
All that I need is to be with You  
And in the quiet hear Your voice

Word of God speak  
Would You pour down like rain  
Washing my eyes to see Your majesty  
To be still and know that You're in this place  
Please let me stay and rest in Your holiness (Repeat)

I'm finding myself at a loss for words  
And the funny thing is, it's okay  
Songwriters: Bart Marshall Millard / Peter C Kipley; © Wordspring Music, LLC

“Forever”

Verse 1:

Give thanks to the Lord, our God and King.  
His love endures forever.  
For He is good, He is above all things.  
His love endures forever.  
Sing praise, sing praise.

Verse 2:

With a mighty hand and outstretched arm,  
His love endures forever.  
For the life that’s been reborn.  
His love endures forever.  
Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise.

Chorus 1:

Yeah, forever God is faithful.  
Forever God is strong.  
Forever God is with us, forever, forever.

Verse 3:

From the rising to the setting sun,  
His love endures forever.  
And by the grace of God we will carry on.  
His love endures forever.  
Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise.

Chorus 2:

Yeah, forever God is faithful. Forever God is strong.  
Forever God is with us, forever and ever and ever.  
Forever God is faithful. Forever God is strong.  
Forever God is with us, forever and ever.  
Yeah, forever God is faithful. Forever God is strong.  
Forever God is faithful, forever and ever.  
Yeah, forever God is faithful. Forever God is strong.  
Forever God is with us, forever, forever, forever!

Words & Music by Chris Tomlin  
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Congregational Care

“Jammin’ For Jesus”  
Praise Band in Sacred Encounters Worship Today

David Odegaard (bass guitar), Annetta Deck (keys),  
Wade England (drums), Luke Jeffers (guitar),  
Nancy Winn (vocals)

NOTE: The Praise Band does sound checks between 8:30-9:00 a.m.  
It may be loud at times, but please understand it is totally necessary.

“Lord Jesus in My Life”

I was unhappy for the longest time  
My heart was empty and my soul was blind  
Then I heard ‘bout Jesus and his miracles divine  
And I saw the answer was — Lord Jesus in my life

I took my troubles to the Lord in prayer  
I asked for guidance through his love and care  
He answered me and He opened my eyes  
I knew I had to share about Lord Jesus in my life.

Bridge:

I worried that my friends would say that I was a freak  
How can I be faithful when my spirit is weak?  
I set aside my fears and gave my soul to His keep  
I held my breath, I prayed for strength, I took a leap.

I started telling everyone I know  
About the Father, Son, and Holy Ghost  
I told them things were better now that love was alive  
And I owe it all to Him, Lord Jesus in my life.

I started signing up for mission trips  
Set up the tables for the pic-i-nic  
Joined a Bible study and I got myself right  
Now I’m blessed and livin’ with Lord Jesus in my Life.

Through many dangers, toils and snares I've come  
I keep on prayin’ to the Holy One  
I can call on Him whenever I’m feeling strife  
Things were never better with Lord Jesus in my life.

Lord Jesus in my life.  
Jerry Leiber, Mike Stroller; arrangement & worship lyrics by Nancy Winn

“Precious Lord, Take My Hand”

Chorus:  
Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on, let me stand,  
I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;  
through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light:  
Take my hand, precious Lord, lead me home.

When my way grows drear, precious Lord, linger near,  
when my life is almost gone,  
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall: (Chorus)

When the darkness appears and the night draws near,  
and the day is past and gone,  
at the river I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand: (Chorus)  
Words & Music by Thomas A. Dorsey, 1932 CCLI #345300

Special Music “He Was There All the Time” Gary Paxton

Scripture Luke 16:1-13

Sermon Lanita Monroe

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord’s Prayer

Holy Communion

Time of Meditation “He Was There All the Time”

Ways to Give:



ENVELOPE—Check, cash ONLINE—www.ffgumc.org/give

“My Savior”

Verse 1

I don't need a whole lots of money.  
I don't need a big fine car  
I got everything that a man could want.  
I got more than I could ask for  
I don't have to run around.  
I don't have to stay out all night,  
'cause I got me a sweet, a sweet lovin' Savior  
and He knows just how to treat me right

Chorus:

Well, my Jesus, He's alright.  
Well, my Jesus' clean out of sight.  
Don't you know that He's  
He's some kind of wonderful;  
He's some kind of wonderful, yes He is  
He's uh- He's some kind of wonderful  
yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah

Verse 2

When He holds me in His arms,  
you know it sets my soul on fire  
Ooooh when my Savior's huggin me,  
my old heart becomes filled with desire  
When He wraps His lovin' arms around me,  
about drives me out of my mind  
Yeeah, when my Savior's lifting me,  
chills run up and down my spine

(Repeat Chorus)

Bridge

Now is there anybody got a sweet lovin' Savior like mine.  
There got to be somebody, gotta gotta sweet lovin' Savior  
like mine, Yeeeah.  
Nah - Can I get a witness, (yes), can I get a witness,  
Well, can I get a witness, (yeah), can I get a witness, (ohohoo),  
can I get a witness (yeah), can I get a witness (yeah)

Outro

uh talkin' talkin' 'bout my Jesus, (He's some kind of wonderful)  
talkin' 'bout my Savior, (He's some kind of wonderful)  
talkin' 'bout my Jesus, (He's some kind of wonderful)  
talkin' 'bout my Savior, (He's some kind of wonderful)  
talkin' 'bout my Jesus, (He's some kind of wonderful)  
yeah yeah yeah

Mark Famer

Benediction

Amen!

Worship Services

8:00am Early Traditional Worship—Sanctuary  
9:15am Sacred Encounters—Pavilion (through 10/05/2025)  
11:00am Traditional Worship—Sanctuary  
(Images of those participating in worship may be visible in the live stream.)  
Nursery Care available during 9:15am and 11:00am services

Sunday Class:

10:30am Christian Characters—Friendship Room

Next Week’s Scripture: Luke 16:19-31