First United Methodist Church

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Our Vision & Mission

"Shining the Light of God's Love"

Through

Inspiring Worship ~ Personal Growth ~ Intentional Outreach

Senior Pastor, Rev. Armando Rodríguez
Associate Pastor, Rev. Rich Edwards
Assistant Pastor, Rev. Barbara Martinez

“First Sunday of Advent”

8:00 & 11:00 am Traditional Worship

GATHERING

WELCOME, COMMUNITY LIFE & INVOCATION

PRELUDE “O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go” Julie Propst

(Please be in an attitude of prayer as you prepare yourself for worship.)

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wonderous things.
Congregation: Blessed be the Lord, who comes to give us Hope.

***OPENING HYMN** “Hail to the Lord’s Anointed” UMH 203

Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son!
Hail in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun!
He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free;
to take away transgression, and rule in equity.

He comes with succor speedy to those who suffer wrong;
to help the poor and needy, and bid the weak be strong;
to give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light,
whose souls, condemned and dying, are precious in his sight.

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth;
love, joy, and hope, like flowers, spring in his path to birth.
Before him, on the mountains, shall peace, the herald, go,
and righteousness, in fountains, from hill to valley flow.

To him shall prayer unceasing and daily vows ascend;
his kingdom still increasing, a kingdom without end.
The tide of time shall never his covenant remove;
his name shall stand forever; that name to us is love.

Words: James Montgomery, 1821 (Ps. 72); Music: Gesangbuch der H.W. k. Hofkapelle, 1784, alt; adapt. and harm. by W.H. Monk, 1868; CCLI License # 1229420

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** based on Hebrews 6:19

Leader: We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure.
Congregation: Jesus entered our world to become the High Priest forever, our forerunner, the author of our redemption.

***GLORIA PATRI** “Glory Be to the Father” UMH 70

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. Amen.

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LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE OF HOPE

(8:00 am) Carol Wellons & Joan MacGuire
(11:00 am) Walter & Daielle Robinson

MORNING PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER

MUSICAL PRAYER RESPONSE “God Is So Good” (vs. 2)

He cares for me,
He cares for me,
He cares for me,
He's so good to me!

Words: Doris Akers, Music: Traditional; Manna Music 1957; CCLI License #1229420

OFFERING/OFFERTORY “The King of Us All” FUMC Choir

***DOXOLOGY** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below:
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia!

Words: Thomas Ken 1674, Music: Geistliche Kirchengesange 1623; CCLI License #1229420

***PRAYER FOR THE OFFERING**

***PASSING THE PEACE**

***HYMN OF PREPARATION** "It Is Well with My Soul" (vv. 1, 3, 4) UMH 377

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
It is well, it is well with my soul.

It is well
with my soul,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

My sin, oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!
My sin, not in part but the whole,
is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

It is well
with my soul,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

And, Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
the trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
even so, it is well with my soul.

It is well
with my soul,
it is well, it is well with my soul.

Words: Horatio G. Spafford, 1873; Music: Philip P. Bliss, 1876; CCLI License #1229420

SCRIPTURE READING Jeremiah 29:10-14 (NIV)

MESSAGE "Plans to Give You Hope" Pastor Armando Rodríguez

***HYMN OF DEDICATION** "My Hope Is Built" UMH 368

My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain: On Christ the solid rock I stand,
all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils his lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
my anchor holds within the veil. Refrain.

His oath, his covenant, his blood
support me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way,
he then is all my hope and stay. Refrain.

When he shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in him be found!
Dressed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before the throne! Refrain.

Words: Edward Mote, 1834; Music: William B. Bradbury, 1863; CCLI License # 1229420

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

Go Forth and Let Your Light Shine

**Indicates that we are to stand to praise God.*

Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given by Bill & Suzan Eshleman in memory of
Milton & Elizabeth Eshleman (Bill's parents).

“First Sunday of Advent”

9:30 am Contemporary Worship

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLE OF HOPE
Rashan & Danielle Jones

SONGS OF PRAISE
“Praise”
“Made for More”
“Trust in God”

HANGING OF THE GREENS
Children’s Ministry

PRAYER TIME

OFFERING
“God with Us”

BIBLE READING
Jeremiah 29:10-14 (NIV)

MESSAGE
“Plans to Give You Hope”
Pastor Armando Rodríguez

ALTAR CALL / CLOSING
“God with Us” Reprise

BENEDICTION

Go Forth and Let Your Light Shine

Jeremiah 29:10-14 (NIV)

[10]This is what the LORD says: "When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will come to you and fulfill my good promise to bring you back to this place. [11]For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. [12]Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. [13]You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart. [14]I will be found by you," declares the LORD, "and will bring you back from captivity. I will gather you from all the nations and places where I have banished you," declares the LORD, "and will bring you back to the place from which I carried you into exile."

Every Member Prayer List – Please pray for the following this week: Lynden & Arden Steele, Fred & Deanna Stevens, Lorrice Stimpson. Gary & MaryMay Suter, Tommy Swager, Lorna Thompson, Darlene Tilton, Jarmo & Elaine Toivola, Jake & Natalie Toivola.

2026 Churchwide Advent Study - "Jesus Is Lord" by Tom Berlin. Contact the church office to find a group.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Services – 6 pm Contemporary ~ 8 pm Traditional. Bring a friend!

Residing Hope – Today we take our 5th Sunday collection for the life changing ministry of Residing Hope. For Christmas we are also sending Gift Cards so that the staff can purchase Christmas gifts for the children. Please bring your gift card donations from Walmart, Target, Visa, etc. by December 2nd. For more information contact Esther Ruppel at (574) 265-9219**.**

Christmas Cantata - the FUMC choir will present a Christmas Cantata, "A Child Is Born, All is Well" by Russell Mauldin & Sue Smith, at 8 & 11 am on Dec. 13th. Encompassing everything Christmas is truly about, this will take you back to the moment that everything changed bringing hope, peace, joy, and love into our world. The moment we could finally say, ***A Child Is Born... All Is Well.*** Invite your friends and neighbors.

Blue Christmas Service (Longest Night of the Year) - Our Blue Christmas Service is designed for just those people who find hope, peace, joy and love to be elusive and even non-existent this time of year. Let us worship together on Wednesday, December 16th, at 6:30 pm seeking the Light in deep darkness.

Adopt-A-Family - Please take an ornament from the Angel Tree and purchase a gift to be returned by December 4th. We will have a **Wrapping Party** on December 8th at 6 pm in Room 101 of the BLC.

Enjoyment Books – Available from United Women in Faith members on Sundays or the church office. $35.00.

United Women in Faith Toy Drive – Until December 2nd. We will be collecting unwrapped new toys for Treasure Coast Foster Children (Community Connected 4 Kids). Monetary donations payable to: UMW, FUMC.

Food Pantry – We serve families in need on Tuesdays from 10 am to 12 pm in the Outreach Center. Please bring your donations of non-perishable foods.

Hope's Closet - We offer clothing to those in need on Tuesdays from 9:30-11:30 am in the Outreach Center. Clean, gently used clothing donations are accepted.

Christmas Poinsettias - Want to honor or memorialize your loved ones by placing a beautiful poinsettia on the altar for Christmas Eve? $8.00 each! Forms can be found in the church office, the Narthex or the BLC Lobby. Order deadline is December 17th.

Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting – We meet together to pray on Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 pm, Room 101. Join us as we seek God together.

Order 2027 Flowers Now – The new chart is in the Narthex today. Forms are available in the Narthex or the church office. Please complete the dedication form and make payment when you put your name on the chart.

Presence in Worship for 11/22: 404 Sunday School: 53

Financial Update – Last week we received $19,122. toward our weekly need of $19,784.25. So far in the month of November we received $76,019.87 toward our monthly need of $79,137. Your financial dedication is appreciated.

Online/Mobile Giving – You can make your donation at pslfumc.com by clicking on the easyTithe link, use the easyTithe app or scan the QR code.

Meetings This Week

BLC – Beacon Life Center OC – Outreach Center

Sunday		
11/29	8:00a	Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
11/29	9:30a	Contemporary Worship/100, BLC
11/29	9:30a	Searchers Adult Sunday School/101, BLC
11/29	9:30a	Children's Sunday School/meet at Oasis
11/29	9:30a	Mid High Sunday School/2, OC
11/29	9:30a	High School Sunday School/103, BLC
11/29	10:00a	Haitian Church/1, OC
11/29	10:00a	Hispanic Disciple Class/102, BLC
11/29	11:00a	Traditional Worship/Sanctuary
11/29	11:00a	Pathfinders/105, BLC
11/29	11:30a	Hispanic Worship/100, BLC
11/29	6:00p	Youth/4, OC
Monday		
11/30	10:00a	Bell Ensemble/Sanctuary
11/30	1:00p	Prayer Shawl Ministry/102, BLC
Tuesday		
12/1	9:30a	Hispanic Prayer Group/105, BLC
12/1	9:30a	Hope's Closet/2, OC
12/1	10:00a	Food Pantry/2, OC
12/1	10:30a	Alanon/101, BLC
12/1	2:00p	Advent Study/103, BLC
12/1	6:30p	NA/1, OC
12/1	7:00p	Hispanic Discipleship/105, BLC
Wednesday		
12/2	6:45a	Men's Prayer Group/Conference Room, BLC
12/2	10:00a	UWF Executive Board Meeting/103, BLC
12/2	10:00a	Advent Study with Gail Fritz/105, BLC
12/2	6:30p	AA/1, OC
12/2	6:30p	Wednesday Night Prayer/101, BLC
12/2	7:00p	Haitian Bible Study/2, OC
Thursday		
12/3	9:00a	Lighthouse Quilters/101, BLC
12/3	9:30a	Women's Prayer Group/103, BLC
12/3	5:00p	Safe Space/1, OC
12/3	6:00p	Lighthouse Kids/Ark
12/3	6:00p	Youth/4, OC
12/3	7:00p	Choir Practice/Sanctuary
12/3	7:00p	Nar-Anon/2, OC
12/3	7:00p	Hispanic Prayer Service/100, BLC
Friday		
12/4	10:00a	Bell Ensemble Practice/Sanctuary
Saturday		
12/5	9:00a	Breakfast with Santa/4, OC

Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30a–4:30p