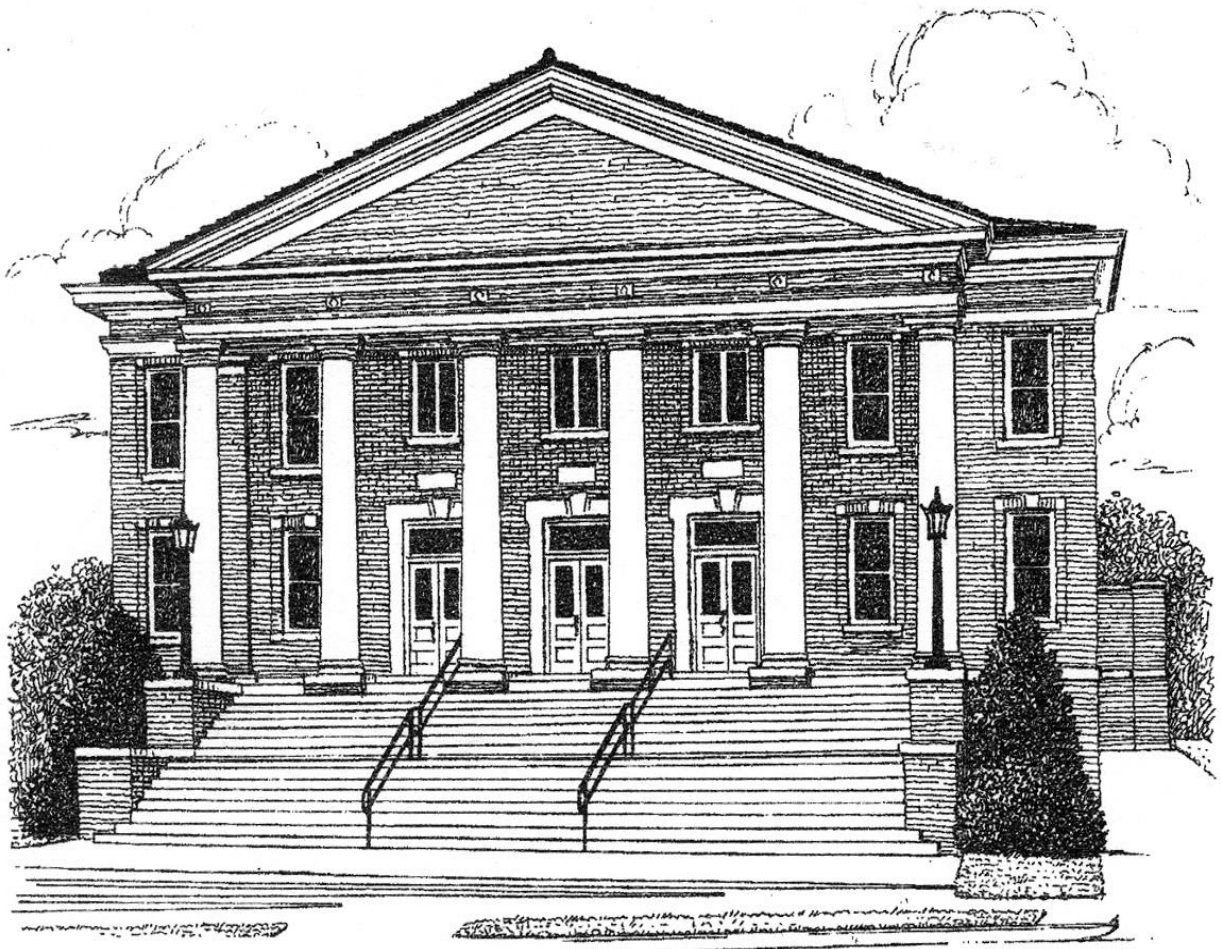


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**First United Methodist Church
3301 South Liberty Street
Canton, Mississippi 39046**



Founded 1836

February 24, 2019

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

February 24, 2019

**Our mission is to
Reach people for Jesus Christ
Teach people to be daily Disciples of Jesus Christ
Heal and Nurture people in the name of Jesus Christ**

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE / ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIME AT THE ALTAR (*Please honor this time of reverence in silence.*)

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PROCESSIONAL

"Holy, Holy, Holy"
Children's Hand Chimes

Arr. Artis Freeman

HYMN

"Alleluia, Alleluia"

No. 365

***A Statement of Faith**

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

**who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

**to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.**

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

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.

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

Silent Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

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.

ANTHEM

“Be Still and Know”
Ladies Ensemble

Arr. Tom Fettke

HYMN

“Awesome God”
(Children come forward for
children's time)

No. 179

HYMN

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

No. 139

OFFERTORY

“Hymn to Joy”

arr. Beethoven/Fedak

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all Creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SERMON

“Fiery Darts Still Hurt”
Luke 6:27-36

Bro. David Lowery

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*CHOIR & ACOLYTES RECESSIONAL

*POSTLUDE “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

arr. Young

*Please stand as you are able

Welcome to First UMC in the name of Jesus Christ.

You are very important to us at First UMC.

We hope you experience the presence of Christ in worship here and enjoy a genuine sense of Christian hospitality in the fellowship. Please speak to Bro. David if you wish to become a member of FUMC.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Quilts are hanging.** Please go by and pray over them and tie a knot. There are quilts hanging for Perry Waggoner and Angela Perez.
- ◆ **Youth.** Today, February 24th youth and youth parents lunch after church.
- ◆ **Youth Confirmation Class.** Confirmation classes are every Sunday until April 7th.
- ◆ **Ruth Jones Circle.** Ruth Jones Circle will meet tomorrow; February 25th at 6:45 PM. Anne Mansell and Becky Chandler are the hostesses.
- ◆ **Church Wide Lunch.** Next Sunday, March 3rd everyone is invited to lunch after church hosted by the Missions Committee.
- ◆ **Ash Wednesday.** Ash Wednesday Service March 6th at 6 PM.
- ◆ ***If you have not received an e-newsletter, or if you wish to receive future e-newsletters, please complete the sign-up form in the fellowship hall. Also if you do not have an email address and wish to receive the newsletter by mail, please complete the sign-up form for mailed newsletters.***

“Ongoing Opportunities”

- **Quilting Group meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at 10:00 am.**
- **Mature Years will meet the 1st Wednesday of every month at 2:30.**
- **RECORDS UPDATE...Please let the church office know if any changes need to be made to the “Concerns of Our Church Family” list.**
- **“Stretching in the Spirit” Exercise Class meets every Monday and Wednesday at 8:30 am.**

MISSION OPPORTUNITIES **Allison Hayes Presentation** **March 3, 11:30 am** **Fellowship Hall**

The Mission Committee invites you to join us for a program presented by Allison Hayes on Sunday, March 3, immediately following morning worship. She will share with us details of her upcoming trip to Columbia, South American, and present a slideshow of photographs from her previous missions.

Those of you staying for the program will also enjoy lunch served by the committee. We look forward to this time of fellowship and especially learning more from Allison.

Our March communion offering is designated for Allison’s trip.

SECOND SUNDAY HARVEST

Grace Episcopal Church partnered with the Mississippi Food Network to provide food to the neediest among us. Grace Food Pantry is open from 10:00am-1:00 pm on the fourth Thursday of each month at Grace. If you would like to provide nonperishable food items to the pantry, please place your donations in the baskets located in the sub-story.

DID YOU KNOW??? - that the United Methodist Church awards, on average, \$5.5M in scholarships each year. The application window is now open. Go to <http://www.gbhem.org/loans-and-scholarships> to learn more.

CONCERNS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Christy Aaron	Rosa Gardner	Ducky Longgear	Myra Stone
Sandy Bowles	Thomas Gatewood	Mai Looney	Billie Terry
Bobby Burkhalter	Ann George	Emily & Sam Mabry	Druscilla Thompson
M.L. Burnside	Louise Gordon	Baby Mabry	Bill Vaughn
Anne Byrd	Bobby Hall	Lacey Madden	Linda Watkins
Nelle Byrd	Patricia Hammack	Guilda Madison	Bonnie Webb
Blanch Case	Carolyn Harris	Dolly Magee	Sophia Weems
Rich Case	Linn Hart	Megan Martin	Jim Westmoreland
April Cole	Mike Harvey	Randy McClellan	Bradley Williamson
Hope Coup	Charlie Herbison	Herbert McMullen	Abbey Woods
Emily Crews	Elizabeth Herbison	Tommy McNeese	Mary (unspoken)
Jimbo Crimm	Jeannie Hicks	Brianna Medina	Keri (unspoken)
Voncille Crimm	Betty & Mike Hindman	Nona Parker	Christian (unspoken)
Sawyer Davidson	Hazel Holmes	Carole Poquette	
Anni Davis	James Earl Holmes	Jon Pruiett	
John Matthew Davis	Diane Ivy	Bill Reedy	
Nancy Dunn	Rylee Jones	Susan Riddell	
Gloria Ellington	Gil Kyker	Maggie Riggan	
Liam Elliott	Judy Lambert	Ritt Rittenhouse	
Ruth Fulton	Linda Allen Ley	Pete Sanders	

CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, February 24	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:25 AM	Morning Worship
	5:00 PM	Youth Meeting
Monday, February 25	8:30 AM	“Stretching in the Spirit” Exercise Class
	6:45 PM	Ruth Jones Circle
Wednesday, February 27	8:30 AM	“Stretching in the Spirit” Exercise Class
	10:00 AM	Ladies Bible Study
	5:30 PM	Children’s Activities
	5:45 PM	Young Adult Women’s Bible Study
	6:30 PM	Men’s Ensemble
	7:00 PM	Sanctuary Choir
Thursday, February 28	10:00 AM	Prayer Quilt Ministry
Sunday, March 3	8:00 AM	Men’s Club Breakfast
	9:30 AM	Sunday School
	10:25 AM	Morning Worship
	5:00 PM	Youth Meeting

Monday, March 4	8:30 AM 12:00 PM 1:00 PM	“Stretching in the Spirit” Exercise Class UMW Ida Bennett Circle
Wednesday, March 6	8:30 AM 10:00 AM 2:30 PM 6:00 PM	“Stretching in the Spirit” Exercise Class Ladies Bible Study Mature Years Ash Wednesday Service
Sunday, March 10	9:30 AM 10:25 AM 5:00 PM	Sunday School Morning Worship Youth Meeting

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor

Director of Music
Organist
Children’s Choir Director
Director of Children’s Ministries
Directors of Youth Ministries
Nursery Director
Secretary

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