



**Is it not lawful for me to
do what I will with my
own? Is your eye evil,
because I am good?**

—Matthew 20:15

September 20, 2020 – Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Welcome to Our Church in the Heart of Princeton!

Welcome to worship! May you encounter the living Lord as your worship with us this morning. We seek to love God with all our hearts, souls, and minds. May he make his presence known to us and guide us in our longings.

Serving in Worship Today

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Tom McDowell

Worship Leader: Bill Lewis

Directors of Music Ministries: Steve and Lori Comer

Ushers: Danny McNamara (Captain)

Tech Team: Griffin Biggs, Larry Cook, Rick Dooley, Randy Lester, Amanda Wenisch, and Jeremy Wenisch

Worship Nursery: Sabrina Mick

Sunday School Nursery: Becky Helmick

Pre-School Church:

Keeper of the Pews: Kent Thompson

Altar Steward: Pam Stafford

Minister of Visitation: Vicki Horton

Children and Youth Director: Brandon Roland

Did You Know?

Hearing Assistance is available. Please see an usher for more details.

Restrooms are located just outside the front right door of the sanctuary. For safety reasons, please escort children to the restroom.

Children are always welcome in the sanctuary. Children's worship activity bags are located on the tables in the rear of the Sanctuary. Ages 3-6 bags are on left. Ages 7-12 bags are on the right. During worship, we also staff the following ministries for children:

- **Nursery** for children up to age 3. Find the nursery by going through the door at the front right of the sanctuary and turning left in the hallway. Pagers are available.
- **Pre-School Church** for ages 3 through Kindergarten. Find pre-school church by going through the door at the front right of the sanctuary, go up the stairs to second floor. Pre-School rooms are on the right.
- **Until further notice the Nursery and Pre-school Church will not be available. We will let you know as soon as we are able to relaunch these services.**

Celebration in Praise

†Denotes moments in worship where we invite you to stand as you are able.

Prelude	“Morning Has Broken” by Trad. Gaelic Melody
Welcome, Announcements, and Glory Sightings	Brandon Roland
†Time of Greeting	<i>Let us greet one another with the love of Christ</i>
†Gathering Together in Worship	“My Tribute” UMH No. 99 (sing twice)
†Call to Worship	Please read responsively
Scripture Reading	Psalm 105:1-6, 37-45 (NIV)
Morning Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer	<i>Please read the words on the screen</i>
Congregational Song	“Now Thank We All Our God” UMH No. 102
Children’s Message	“Flat” Jesus Doll: Taiya Cosby
Special Music	“Amazing Grace My Chains are Gone” arr. by Mary McDonald performed by: Steve Comer
Pastoral Prayer	Pastor Tom
Congregational Song	“Jesus the Very Thought of Thee” UMH No. 175
Affirmation of Faith	Apostles’ Creed
Sermon Lesson	Matthew 20:1-16 (NIV)
Message	“Know Justice”
†Offering Response	“Give Thanks” TFWS No. 2036
Congregational Song	“God Will Take Care of You” UMH No. 130
Benediction	Unison Blessing
Postlude	“Make Me a Servant” by K. Willard

Prayer List

If you would like a name to appear in this prayer list, please contact the church office [304.425.2283 or fumcprinceton@gmail.com] with the information. After four (4) weeks, requests will be removed unless the church office is notified.

Church Family		
Sue Backus	Ramonia Kessinger	Robert Vest
Josh Beachler	David Knight	Terri Vest
Gail Burks	Ellen Knight	Jan & Bill Wilson
Evayne Chambers	Bill & Bettyann Melvin	Feeding Hungry Children Ministry
Shelley Cline	Gail Rector	Youth Ministry
Jerry Evans	Lucille Reynolds	Children's Ministry
Suzy Fry	Rev. Harold Russell	The Family of Linda Hawkins
Kathy Goodall	Sandy Veneri	
Friends of Church Family		
Judge John Frazier	Cathy Mirable	Residents, Staff, and Families of PHCC
Sheri Kissam	Dr. Charley Mirable	Springfield Center in Lindsie
Betty Mahorney	Bill Pantili, Sr.	Erin Wurtzelbacher
State/Nation		
President Donald J. Trump		Bishop Sandra Steiner Ball
Government Officers		Southern District Superintendent Joe Kenaston
Military Personnel		
World		
Christian Believers in Bangladesh		Dr. Emmanuel and Mrs. Florence Mefor
Refugees around the world		Mutambara Mission Hospital
Delegates to UMC General Conference		COVID-19 Pandemic

In-Person Worship

Please be mindful of our best safe practice as we enter to worship.

Programs Resume

“Our in-person programs for children, youth, and adult Bible study will resume Wednesday, September 23, 2020. An adult virtual Bible study will be offered on Tuesday evening. Our guidelines to determine “In-Person” will follow the WVDE state map. If Mercer County is reported to be orange or red then we will offer “virtual only” events. Please pay attention to our weekly announcements, especially on Sunday morning, and help us pass the word on to others. We look forward to a new program year and the opportunities to help everyone grow in the grace, love, and knowledge of God. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Tom or Brandon Roland.”