

# Order of Worship

October 8, 2023      19<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost      10:30 a.m.

## Entrance

|                            |                            |                 |
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| Gathering                  |                            |                 |
| Greeting and Announcements |                            |                 |
| Prelude                    |                            | William Elliott |
| *Call to Worship           | "Awesome God"              | Chancel Choir   |
| *Opening Hymn              | "I Love to Tell the Story" | UMH 156         |
| Anthem                     | "Go Ye Into All the World" | Chancel Choir   |

## Proclamation and Response

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|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Scripture             | Matthew 28:16-20           |                        |
|                       | Mark 1:16-20               |                        |
|                       | Luke 24:44-49              |                        |
| Sermon                | "Come, Tarry, Go           | The Rev. Dr. Don Scott |
| *Hymn of Invitation   | "O Jesus, I Have Promised" | UMH 396                |
| *Affirmation of Faith | "Apostles' Creed"          | UMH 881                |
| *Gloria Patri         | "Glory Be to the Father"   | UMH 70                 |

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| Sharing of Joys and Concerns      |                        |
| Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer | The Rev. Dr. Don Scott |

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| Receiving of God's Tithes and Offerings |  |
| Offertory                               | "Rock of Ages"                             |
| *Doxology                               | "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" |
|   | UMH 95                                     |

## Sending Forth

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| *Closing Hymn            | "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" | FWS 2129               |
| *Dismissal with Blessing |                                  | The Rev. Dr. Don Scott |
| *Choral Benediction      | "May the Lord Go With You"       | Chancel Choir          |
| Postlude                 |                                  | William Elliott        |
| Going Forth              |                                  |                        |

(\*Please stand as you are able.)



## ILLNESS

Roberta Bolen  
David Brewster  
Charlotte Childers, Carol Hash's Sister  
Trevor Childress, JoAnn Davis's Nephew  
Cindy Elliott  
Kathy Farley (JC Higginbotham's sister)  
Margaret Farmer  
Katie Franklin, Dean Coon's Niece  
Millie Hartsock  
Lansing Hill  
Tom Hodge (Shelby Clendenen's brother)  
Patricia Lawson  
Bryan Little (Darlene Little's Son)  
Janet Moore  
Kelly Queen  
Sally Rash (Shelby Clendenen's sister)  
Shirley Saunders  
Elliott Spencer (8 years old - Eye surgery at Duke)  
Pam Spracher  
Donna Watts (Bill Elliott's Cousin)  
Ben and Sue Young

## MILITARY

Lucas Graham  
Garrett Houck  
Laken McKinney  
Nate Owen  
Ryan Shott  
Jeremy Woody  
All those serving our Country.

## HOMEBOUND

Lila Atkins  
Rudy Austin (Vera Lee Austin's brother)  
Ethel Earls  
Jimmy Jones  
Gerry Stowers

*Sympathy is extended to Vera Lee Austin and her family for the death of her brother, Bill Austin on October 1. Please keep this family in your prayers.*

**The New River District Conference will be held on Sunday, October 8 at 3:00 pm at St. Paul UMC, 330 Church Street, Wytheville, VA 24382.** Anyone within the New River District is welcome to attend, however, the following are voting members: Church Council Chair, Lay Leaders, Annual Conference Lay Members, Finance Chair, SPPR Chair, 2023 At-Large Lay Members to Annual Conference, and Clergy.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, October 8

Sunday School 9:30 am  
Worship Service 10:30 am

### Tuesday, October 10

Ladies Ministry to Tazewell 10:00 am

### Wednesday, October 11

Choir Practice 6:00 pm

### Thursday, October 12

Lydia Circle 6:00 pm

The women's ministry will be going to Tazewell on Tuesday, October 10 to the train station to hear the story of the station and its restoration. They will leave the church at 10:00 am. If anyone wishes to accompany this group, call the church at 276-326-1466 to have your name added to the list. We will have lunch at the Front Porch Restaurant.

*You're Invited*

### **Women Beyond the Circle... Drawing the Circle Wider**

**Thursday, October 19, 2023 @ 6:30 pm**

**\*\*RSVP by Monday, October 16, 2023, to  
276-326-1466 or [info@bluefieldfumc.org](mailto:info@bluefieldfumc.org)\*\***

**First United Methodist Church  
200 S. College Ave., Bluefield, VA**

We are looking for 2 volunteers to help us during the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Saturday Breakfast this month on October 21<sup>st</sup>. We need someone to scramble eggs and someone to help serve food. If you are available, please contact Pam Davis at 301-793-0201.

### **135<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Church**

### **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Building**

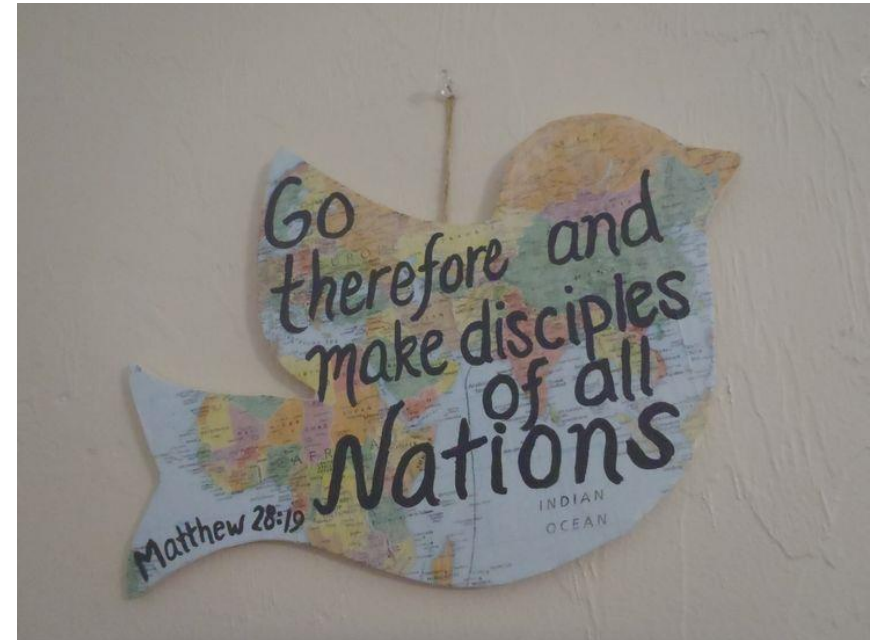
**Saturday, October 28, Palmer Hall, 5:30 pm**, meet and greet, scrapbook display, finger foods.

**Sunday, October 29, 9:30 am**, special music and singing during Sunday School.

**Worship Service at 10:30 am**, followed by a fellowship potluck luncheon in Palmer Hall. Bring your favorite potluck dish and join us for this special celebration.

Please RSVP to Margaret Elam, 1935 Kimball Avenue, Bluefield, VA 24605 or by calling 304-922-4459. You may also email the church at [info@bluefieldfumc.org](mailto:info@bluefieldfumc.org) or call 276-326-1466.

## *First United Methodist Church Sunday, October 8, 2023*



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