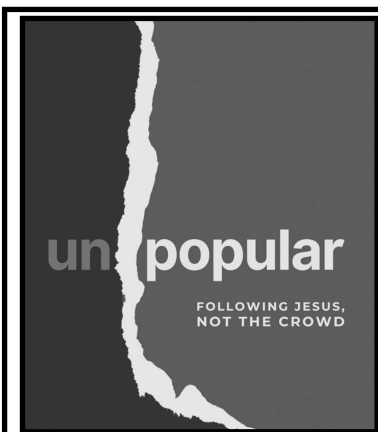




All Are Welcome Here

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LONDON

October 26, 2025 ~ 10:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

~Our Church Mission~

*First United Methodist Church of London will strive
toward the embodiment of God's presence,
on earth as it is in heaven, through both word and action.*

Chiming of the Hour - *Let us quiet our voices and prepare our minds and hearts to worship the Lord*

Greeting and Announcements

Prelude Chorale-prelude on *Thou Prince of Peace, Our Christ and Lord* Johann Bernhard Bach

Choral Call to Worship *Come, Let Us Sing* J. McConnaughey

Come, let us sing unto the Lord;
Let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation,
For the Lord is a great God,
And the King above all gods.
from Psalm 95)

*Call to Worship

Leader: The Lord loves righteousness and justice, the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord

People: By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, and all their host by the breath of God's mouth

Leader: The Lord gathered the waters of the sea as in a bottle and put the deeps in storehouses

People: Let all the earth fear the Lord, let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe

***Opening Hymn** *I Love to Tell the Story* UMH 156

***Affirmation of Faith** From Romans 8:35, 37-29

Leader: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword?

People: No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, Will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God! Amen.

***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.*

(please be seated)

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 91:1-6

Children's Sermon

Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Call to Gather Our Tithes, Offerings, and Promises

Offertory Anthem

Gracious Spirit

Malcolm Archer

Gracious Spirit, Holy Ghost, taught by thee, we covet most
Of thy gifts at Pentecost, holy, holy heavenly love.
Love is king, and suffers long, love is meek and thinks no wrong,
Love than death itself more strong, therefore give us love.

Faith and hope and love we see joining hand in hand agree;
But the greatest of the three, and the best, the best is love.
From the overshadowing of thy gold and silver wing
Shed on us, who to thee sing, holy, holy heavenly love,
Holy love, holy love, heavenly love.

(Text: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885))

*Doxology *(stand)*

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 95

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.

*A Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

Take Up Thy Cross

UMH 415

*Gospel Lesson

Matthew 10:34-39

Sermon

Not Everyone Will Be Pleased

Rev Dave Leckrone

*Closing Hymn

Where He Leads Me

UMH 338

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

Send Us Now Into Your World

J. McConnaughey

Send us now into your world in peace, O Lord;
May we love and serve the living God.

Postlude *(be seated)*

Voluntary IX from Opus VI

John Stanley

1. *Adagio*
2. *Andante*

**indicates standing*

Altar Table Flowers

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God
In celebration of Ben's birthday October 13 and Kyra's on November 5,
given by Pastor Dave and Jill Leckrone*

CONTINUAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Evone Banks, Bobby Dorn, Gladys Griffith, Joyce Hildebrand, Phyllis Miller, Sue Minner,
Bea Riegel, Sally Sisterhen, Doris Spahn

CURRENT PRAYER REQUESTS

Avalee Adams, Carol Albright, Rachael Allen, Harriet Baker, Laura Beyer, Buzzy (Victoria) Biddinger,
Kim Braddock, Jayden Clark, Becky Cress, Toni Daniels, Diana, Woody Draper, Allison Engle, Linda Finney,
Michael Fisher, Phyllis Follrod, Tylor Freeman, Nancy Giles, Carole Gordon, Jane Hackworth, John Harbage,
TJ Franklin, Dee Heilman, Jenn Heuser, Linda Holloway, Gary and Cindy Hoback, Roger Horsely, Gary Hunter,
Dan Jones, Claudia Justice, Jeannie Justice, Ray Justice, Cody Leavens, Jessica Martin, Cris Martinez,
Jerod McKenzie, Chuck Miller, Aiden Norton, Sue Osborn, April Parker, Pauline Persing, Alicia Pullin,
Jeff Quatkemeyer, Michele Ramsey, Marco Ranalli, Steve Richmond, Frank Salyers, Miles Schrock,
Jill Wyatt Setty, Sherry Sharrett, Julia Smith, Nancy Snyder, Robert Stallings, David Stewart, Rob Suter,
Alta Vance, Diana Vick, Hayden Weese, Gretchen Wingert, Sandy Young, Heather Zollman

SERVING ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY

Lt. Colonel John Crisp ~ Navy Lt Commander Tom Crisp
2nd Lt Cheney Gross ~ 2nd Lt Luke Peart ~ Sgt First Class Mathew Rowley
Caiden Craig—Basic Training

Please pray for the family and friends of those who have given their lives for our nation.



*Tuesday, October 28—**Fall Baked Steak & Pork Tenderloin Dinner, 4-7pm**

Lots of volunteers are needed!!!

*Sunday, November 2, 10am—**Rededication of our church and dedication of the Byers Memorial Tower Chimes**

Olentangy River District Superintendent, Dr James C. Wilson II will be preaching
A reception will follow the service in the Fellowship Hall

*Sunday, November 9, 10am—**All Saints Sunday**—we will be remembering **Donna Wilson, Lois Robison, Betty Porter, Dave Shaw and Marty Shaw**. If we are missing someone, please contact us.

*November 11, 12, 13—**Night to Shine fundraiser at Los Mariachi** 11am-10pm. Must have flyer.

*Wednesday, November 12, 6:30pm—**Church Council Meeting** in the Chapel.

*Wednesday, November 19, 7pm—**Human Trafficking Awareness Panel** (open to the public).
Human trafficking in Madison County. Our speakers will be a former FBI agent a police officer who have dealt with human trafficking. This informative discussion will be held in the sanctuary.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2025

Attendance – 120* ~ Offering \$4,185.51

Monthly Need—\$24,800.00

**includes online and app views*



**68th Semi Annual BAKED STEAK or
PORK TENDERLOIN DINNER**

Tuesday, October 28, 2025

MENU

*Baked Steak or Pork Tenderloin
Real Mashed Potatoes with Homemade Brown Gravy
Seasoned Green Beans, Homemade Cole Slaw
Homemade Dessert with Ice Cream
Roll and Beverage*

4pm-7pm (first come, first served)

All dinners \$15.00

Drive-thru Only, Cash or Check

ALL ARE WELCOME!

INVITE YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS!

Sunday Leaders

Sound & Video Technicians

Brian Benedum

David Cover

Liturgist

Melinda Scott

October Ushers

Bill Benedum, Chair

Tom Minner

Debra Hay

Lay Leader

Henry Comer

October Hospitality

Michael & Christa Jenkins

Children's Church

Scott Higgins Leader

Sarah Clawson Volunteer

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Christmas Portraits

**Saturday, November 8, 10am - 3pm
Fellowship Hall**

A donation is not required but would be appreciated. All proceeds will go to support our youth group Costa Rica trip.

Suggestions for Attire:

(see backdrop to the left)

Color palettes

- Classic: Red and green are timeless and festive. You can also use a combination of red and white for a crisp, clean look.
- Warm and rich: Try deep greens paired with cream, or earthy tones like brown and khaki.
- Neutrals: White, cream, and ivory can provide a luxurious and elegant feel, especially against a busy backdrop.
- Navy and white: A modern and crisp color combination that still feels festive.

Things to consider:

- Avoid black. This can make photos look dull and muddled.
- Choose simpler, more neutral outfits to help subjects stand out.
- Plan your outfits to ensure they work well together. You don't have to match, but you want to avoid clashing colors.



When you are out shopping, pick up an extra new, unwrapped toy for the annual Firefighter's Toy Drive! We will begin receiving toys after the November 3 Rededication!