

To all the Mothers,
Grandmothers,
Aunts, Sisters
and other women
in our lives that care for
us and love us
unconditionally,
Happy Mother's Day!

All Are Welcome Here

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LONDON

May 10, 2026 ~ 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 - In silence let us prepare our minds and hearts to worship the Lord

Greeting and Announcements

Prelude Chorale-prelude on *Now Pray We to the Holy Ghost* Georg Böhm

Choral Call to Worship *The Strife is O'er* Melchior Vulpius

The strife is o'er, the battle done, The victory of life is won,
The song of triumph has begun. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
(Text: Latin 1695, tr. Francis Pott)

*Call to Worship

Leader: O God, be gracious to us and bless us

People: So that your way may be known upon the earth, your saving power among all nations

Leader: Let the peoples praise you, O God

People: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity

***Opening Hymn** *Holy, Holy, Holy* UMH 64

***Affirmation of Faith** Affirmation from 1 Timothy 2:5-6; 1:15, 3-16 UMH 889

Leader: There is one God and there is one mediator, Christ Jesus who came as a ransom for all, to whom we testify.

People: This saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance: that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners, and was manifested in the flesh, vindicated in the spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed in throughout the world, taken up in glory. Great indeed is the mystery of the gospel. 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.*

***First Gospel Lesson** Luke 24:13-24

Children's Sermon

Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Call to Gather Our Tithes, Offerings, and Promises

Offertory Anthem

Jesu, the Very Thought of Thee

Chant, Mode 1

Arr. Arlen Clarke

Jesu, the very thought of the
With sweetness fills my breast;
But sweeter far Thy face to see
And in Thy presence rest.

Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,
Nor can the memory find
A sweeter sound than thy blest name,
O savior of mankind.

O hope of every contrite heart,
O joy of all the meek,
To those who fall how kind thou art,
How good to those who seek.

Jesus, our only joy be thou,
As thou our prize will be:
Jesu, be thou our glory now,
And through eternity. Amen.

(Text: St. Bernard (d. 1153))

*Doxology *(stand)*

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*A Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn

O Thou Who This Mysterious Bread

UMH 613

*Second Gospel Lesson

Luke 24:25-35

Sermon

It's About The Journey

Reverend Dave Leckrone

*Closing Hymn

O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee

UMH 430

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

Send Us Now Into Your World

J. McConaughy

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

Postlude *(be seated)*

Chorale-prelude on *Antioch*

Dale Wood

**indicates standing*

Altar Table Flowers

To the glory of God, the altar flowers are given *in honor of our Kurt.*
Though he is gone from this world, his love and spirit remain with us forever.
Mom & Tony

CONTINUAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Evone Banks, Bobby Dorn, Gladys Griffith, Joyce Hildebrand, Sue Minner, Sally Sisterhen

CURRENT PRAYER REQUESTS

Avalee Adams, Carol Albright, Rachael Allen, Harriet Baker, Laura Beyer, Ernie Boyd, Joe Brackett, Kim Braddock, Jayden Clark, Becky Cress, Toni Daniels, Paul Daugherty, Michelle Decoe, Diana, Woody Draper, Allison Engle Porter, Linda Finney, Phyllis Follrod, Tylor Freeman, Kristy Foote, Carole Gordon, Jane Hackworth, John Harbage, Dee Heilman, Linda Holloway, Gary and Cindy Hoback, Roger Horsely, Gary Hunter, Dan Jones, Jeannie Justice, Ray Justice, Cody Leavens, Cris Martinez, Jerod McKenzie, Chuck Miller, Aiden Norton, Sue Osborn, Pauline Persing, Richard Peterson, Julianne Phillips, Alicia Pullin, Michele Ramsey, Marco Ranalli, Howard & Lillie Reynolds, Steve Richmond, Frank Salyers, Laura Schoeller, Miles Schrock, Jill Wyatt Setty, Nancy Snyder, Robert Stallings, David Stewart, Rob Suter, Alta Vance, Hayden Weese, Gretchen Wingert, Avalene Wyllie, 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—Private First Class ~ 2nd Lt Garrett Weldon
All troops deployed for the war on Iran

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



**May 17 is Graduation Sunday! Please let us know if we are missing anyone: High School—Kyle Bell, Lukah McKenzie, Avery Semler, Tori Yoder
College—Logan Minner**

A reception follows the 10am service. Parents, please RSVP

TODAY!!!

Before and after the service, everyone is welcome to go to the Fellowship Hall for a complimentary photo session with Tony and Kim Reeder. Photos are a record of how we have changed from year to year! One person or a large family—all are welcome. On Sunday, May 17 you can pick up your complimentary photo in the Rudorah Welcome Parlor.



Disciple Fast Track is a streamlined Bible study designed for busy people. The program includes two 12-week sessions—one covering the Old Testament and the other the New Testament. Each week features manageable daily readings (3–5 chapters) and a 75-minute group session with video, discussion, and study materials.

Part 1 begins June 1 at 6:30 p.m. and runs for 12 weeks.

The study guide costs \$16.99. Please sign up with Gail Baker by May 18 so materials can be ordered. Pay the first night. Contact: gail@londonfumc.org, 740-852-0462

ATTENDANCE AND OFFERING

SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2026

Attendance—134 * ~ Offering—\$6,789.16
Monthly Need—\$24,800.00



**God's Creative Limits - Saturday, May 23,
8am, Coffee and Muffins Provided**

When we read Bible verses about god's boundaries that describe creation, we see a God who sets edges and order with intention. As a community, we learn that the world's limits — like shorelines, seasons, and the fixed paths of day and night — are signs of care. These boundaries help life flourish. They show that chaos is held in check and that God's wisdom shaped a world that can sustain us. As we read, we can feel comforted: God is not absent in the details; He set boundaries so life could be predictable, safe, and beautiful. When storms toss the seas, the boundaries remind us that even the wild has limits, and God's design keeps things in balance. We should take these verses into our hearts and remember that the boundaries God set in nature teach us about His protecting hand. They call us to trust His order, to respect the created world, and to follow the example of living within good limits that promote life and peace.

***The men's last Bible study will be May 23rd and then resume on
Saturday, September 12.***



Enjoy Sunday Brunch at **The Butcher Block Restaurant** and take this bulletin with you! The Butcher Block is graciously giving back to our church! 10% of your Brunch guest check comes back to our church when you present your church bulletin to your server. *Lots of great choices!!!*



**May is FUMC's month at
the Food Pantry**

The congregation needs to provide 2-3 volunteers (in addition to Mike Jenkins and Joe Brackett who are regulars) each time the Food Pantry is open.

8:45 to 11:45 Wednesday and Saturday
**Please let Gail Baker know if you can cover any
or all of these dates:**
13, 16, 20, 23, 26, 30

The Madison County Food Pantry is asking for donations of canned soup, crackers (saltines, Ritz, e.g.) and bagged/boxed breakfast cereal. We have donation bins here at the church.

Sunday Leaders

Sound & Video Technicians

Brian Benedum
David Cover

Liturgist
Mikki Budd

April Ushers

David Emrick, Chair
Maryann Emrick

Lay Leader
Henry Comer

April Hospitality

David & Maryann Emrick

Children's Church
Kate Hanna, Leader
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