



All Are Welcome Here

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LONDON

November 23, 2025 ~ 10:00 a.m.
Christ the King Sunday 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 Voluntary VIII from *Vesper Voluntaries*, Op. 14 Edward Elgar

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: Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not Count equality with God a thing to be grasped

People: But emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in our likeness

Leader: And being found in human form he humbled himself and Became obedient unto death, even death on a cross

People: Therefore God has highly exalted him, and bestowed on him the name which is above every name

Leader: That at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow, in heaven and On earth and under the earth

People: And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of the Father

***Opening Hymn** *To God Be the Glory* UMH 98

***Affirmation of Faith** Apostles Creed (Traditional) UMH 881

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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)

First Lesson

Revelation 1:4-8

Children's Sermon

Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Call to Gather Our Tithes, Offerings, and Promises

Choral Offertory

The Eternal Gifts of Christ the King

Guidetti (1582), arr. Henry G. Ley

The eternal gifts of Christ the King,
The Apostles' glorious deeds, we sing
And while due hymns of praise we pay.
Our thankful hearts cast grief away.

'Twas thus the yearning faith of saints,
The unconquered hope that never faints,
The love of Christ that knows not shame,
The prince of this world overcame.

In these the Father's glory shone,
In these the will of God the Son,
In these exults the Holy Ghost,
Through these rejoice the heavenly host.

Redeemer, hear us of Thy love,
That with the glorious band above,
Hereafter of thine endless grace,
Thy servants also may have place. Amen
(Pre-11th Century, trans. J. Mason Neale)

***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**

At the Name of Jesus

UMH 168

***Gospel Lesson**

John 18:33-37

Sermon

On Whose Authority?

Rev Dave Leckrone

***Closing Hymn**

All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine

UMH 166

***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)*

Triumphal March on Now Thank We All Our God

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

**indicates standing*

Altar Table Flowers

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God

*The pink rose on the altar is given in celebration of the birth of Samantha Drue Ellis Burns
Born November 12, 6lbs 5oz, daughter of Chelsee and Jake Burns,
granddaughter of Sean & Jody Pickens, great granddaughter of Ann & (the late) Drue Pickens*

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, Kim Braddock,
Jayden Clark, Becky Cress, Toni Daniels, Bob Daugherty, Michelle Decoe, Diana,
Woody Draper, Allison Engle, Linda Finney, Michael Fisher, Phyllis Follrod, TJ Franklin, Tylor Freeman,
Nancy Giles, Carole Gordon, Jane Hackworth, John Harbage, Hope Hecht, 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, Pauline Persing, Richard Peterson, Alicia Pullin, Jeff Quatkemeyer,
Michele Ramsey, Marco Ranalli, Steve Richmond, Frank Salyers, Miles Schrock, Jill Wyatt Setty, Julia Smith,
Nancy Snyder, Robert Stallings, David Stewart, Rob Suter, Alta Vance, Hayden Weese, Gretchen Wingert,
Gordon Wyllie, 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—Basic Training



*Sunday November 30, 2-7pm —**Old Fashioned Christmas.** We will offer a Soup & Sandwich Café to benefit the youth group, cookie decorating, crafts, live performances by LHS and LES bands/choirs.

*Tuesday, December 2, 6:30pm—Four Week **Advent Study** begins.

*Sunday, December 14, 7pm—**Sounds of the Season**— A wonderful showcase of our community's talent by the Madison County Arts Council



Men's Bible Study & Fellowship meets in the Rudorah Welcome Center at 7:00 AM for some coffee and muffins for this and future discussions. Love in Action – Saturday, December 6. The Bible calls us to love, but love is not just an emotion—it's an action. "Love your neighbor as yourself" is more than a command; it's a way of life. Discussing love in action focuses on how we can live out the commandment to love in practical,

everyday situations. This conversation pushes us to think about how love impacts our relationships, our community, and the world around us. Please add the following 2025 dates to your calendar for the Men's Bible Study. All are welcome to join at any time! Remaining dates for 2025: 12/6, and 12/20

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2025

Attendance – 176* ~ Offering \$4,871.43

Monthly Need—\$24,800.00

**includes online and app views*



**FIRST UNITED
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OLD FASHIONED CHRISTMAS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30TH, 2025
HISTORIC DOWNTOWN LONDON
2PM-7PM

♦ Soup & Sandwich Café

Homemade Soups, Sandwiches, Chips, Cookies,
Coffee, Hot chocolate and Water—FREE WILL OFFERING

♦ Cookie Decorating, Craft Station

♦ Live Musical Performances

3:45pm

London High School Band

4:15pm

London High School and Middle School Choirs



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.



When you are out shopping, pick up an extra new, unwrapped toy for the annual Firefighter's Toy Drive! We are now receiving toys. There will be a trunk in the hallway near the elevator.

Sunday Leaders

Sound & Video Technicians

Brian Benedum

David Cover

Liturgist

Don Weldon

November Ushers

Joe Brackett, Chair

David Emrick

Maryann Emrick

Lay Leader

Henry Comer

November Hospitality

David and Maryann Emrick

Children's Church

Scott Higgins Leader

Bob Minner Volunteer

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