THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 15, 2026

25th Sunday after Pentecost — Liturgical Color: Green

Chiming of the Trinity		
Prelude	*"Kum Ba Yah" – arr. Brent Erdstrom*	Emily Wallace
*Call to Worship	*Psalm 34 (UMH #769-770)*	Susan Roberts
Welcome and Announcements		Susan Roberts
*Affirmation of Faith	UMH #881	Susan Roberts
*Gloria Patri		UMH #70
*Opening Hymn	*"Praise the Lord Who Reigns Above"*	UMH #96
Call to Prayer		
Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer		Rev. John P. Bolin
*Hymn of Worship	*"Break Thou the Bread of Life"*	UMH #599
Prayer of Dedication		Rev. John P. Bolin
Giving Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory	*"Thy Word" – arr. Carol McMillan*	Emily Wallace
*Doxology		UMH #95
Prayer for Illumination		Rev. John P. Bolin
Scripture	*John 6: 1-14 (MEV)*	Rev. John P. Bolin

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Congregational Response

Leader: This is the Word of God

People: For the People of God

All: Thanks be to God, Amen.

Sermon	*"Multiplication"*	Rev. John P. Bolin
*Hymn of Discipleship	*"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"*	UMH #361
* Benediction		
*Congregational Response	*"Shalom to You"*	UMH #666

Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.
May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.

*Postlude	*"Sonata in D" – D. Scarlatti*	Emily Wallace

*Please stand if you are able.

Prayer Concerns



Please pray for the world, the church, the UMC, First UMC, all who hold leadership positions, and the following persons:

Calvin Culbertson	Jane Stroud
Shot Taylor	Joe Swofford
Johnny Mack Swofford	Scott Tollison
Mrs. JoAnn McMillan	Donald Martin
Nedra Walker	Jane Rogers

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to:

- Penny Pabst & Family on the death of her husband, **Lavern Harry Pabst**. (Harry & Penny were former members of First UMC, Laurens.)

MINISTRY OF ENCOURAGEMENT

Betty Burnside – c/o Timothy Burnside, 569 Saddle Ridge Dr., Bethlehem, GA 30620-2042

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MEMORIALS

In Memory of: **Patsy Madden Braswell** **Given by:** S.F. Bostic

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FOOD BANK
Tues. & Thurs. Noon-2PM
Please Consider Supporting by
Marking Your Donation "Food Bank"



FOOD BANKS DONATIONS



During the months of **Nov. & Dec.**, we would like to give out loaves of bread in the food bank. Please leave your bread donations downstairs at the food bank or outside the church office.



DEVOTIONS FOR FOOD BANK: We will be placing a monthly devotion, *"The Bread of Life: Devotions for Everyday Strength"*, in the bags that we give out in the Food Bank. If you would like to write a devotion for one month, please let Susan Roberts or Karen Reeder know.

FRI. LUNCH BUNCH
** Meet at local restaurants at **11:30am**.
For out-of-town restaurants, please call
Jane Stroud or Sissy Taylor to carpool.



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November 13	Jarvis River, Laurens
November 20	Blue Ocean, Clinton (Opens at 1p.m.)
November 27	No Meeting – Happy Thanksgiving!

Offering Gifts, Tithes, and Offerings
Place in offering plates as they come by,
Mail to: *P.O. Box 203, Laurens, SC 29360*
Or Text "BOLD" to 73256



THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

Wed., Nov. 25	Closing at Noon
Thurs., Nov. 26	Closed
Fri., Nov. 27	Closed every Friday



CONNECT WITH US
Worship: Sundays at 10:30am
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First United Methodist Church

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Laurens, South Carolina

Sunday, November 15, 2026



Welcome!

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to step out in faith as disciples of Jesus Christ.

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Pastor



ANNOUNCEMENTS – November 15, 2026

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

Holiday Craft Show Vendor Set-Up – Fri., Nov. 13th

Holiday Craft Show – Sat., Nov. 14th (Early set-up for Vendors at 8:30am) – Officially starts from 10am to 3pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Morning Glories (Women's Bible study) meeting every Wednesday at 10:30am in the Conference Room. They are using Jesus in Me book by Ann Graham Lotz. There will be a video each week followed by discussion.

Kingdom Krafters – Please join us for our next Kingdom Krafters on Sat., Nov. 21st from 10am – 12pm in the Conference Room. We will be making ceramic Christmas trees. The cost is $15.00. Please sign-up on the bulletin board outside the Church Office if you will be attending.

Decorate Church for Advent – Sat., Nov. 28th at 10am in the Sanctuary

Hanging of the Greens – 1st Sunday of Advent – Sun., Nov. 29th at 10:30am

Church-wide Christmas Party – Sat., Dec. 12 at 4:30pm in the Fellowship Hall.