



All Are Welcome Here

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF LONDON

September 28, 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 *Herzlich tut mich erfreuen* Johannes Brahms

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: Those who dwell in the shadow of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord:
People: My refuge and strength, my God in whom I trust
Leader: For the Lord will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence and will cover you with his pinions
People: Under the Lord's wings you will find refuge. God's faithfulness is a shield and buckler

***Opening Hymn** *Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* UMH 462

***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)

New Testament Lesson

1 Peter 1:3-6

Children's Sermon

Baptism

Joseph Michael Gamble

UMH 33

Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Call to Gather Our Tithes, Offerings, and Promises

Offertory Anthem

Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

Dale Wood

Christ is made the sure foundation,
Christ the head and cornerstone.
Chosen of the Lord and precious,
Binding all the Church in one,
Holy Zion's help forever,
And her confidence alone.

To this temple, where we call thee,
Come, O Lord of hosts, today;
With Thy wonted loving kindness
Hear Thy servants as they pray.
And thy fullest benediction
Shed within its walls always.

Laud and honor to the Father,
Laud and honor to the Son,
Laud and honor to the Spirit,
Ever Three and ever One,
One in might and One in glory,
While unending ages run.

(Text: 7th Century Latin hymn, trans. John 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**

Jesus, Thine All-Victorious Love

UMH 422

***Old Testament Lesson**

Jeremiah 32:6-15

Sermon

A Waste of Money

Rev Dave Leckrone

***Closing Hymn**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

UMH 140

***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*)
**indicates standing*

Toccata in F

Dietrich Buxtehude

Altar Table Flowers

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God

CONTINUAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Evone Banks, 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, Bobby Dorn, Woody Draper,
Allison Engle, Linda Finney, Phyllis Follrod, John Foote, Sr., 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, Claudia Justice, Jeannie Justice, Ray Justice,
Cody Leavens, Jessica Martin, Cris Martinez, Jerod McKenzie, Chuck Miller, Aiden Norton,
Sue Osborn, April Parker, Pauline Persing, Dylan Lee Prophater, 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, 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**

Lots of volunteers are needed!!!

***Sunday, November 2, 10am—Rededication of our church**

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—All Saints Sunday**

***Wednesday, November 19, 7pm—Human Trafficking Awareness Panel** (open to the public).

Human trafficking is an issue in Madison County. This informative discussion will be held in the sanctuary.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

Attendance – 127* ~ Offering \$3,666.05

Monthly Need—\$24,800.00

**includes online and app views*



The Bible is rich with wisdom, offering timeless insights into life's most profound questions. In our men's Bible study, certain topics naturally spark deep, thought-provoking discussions. These topics challenge us, comfort us, and help us grow spiritually.

From faith and doubt to eternal life, the Bible covers every aspect of the human experience. Engaging with these themes allows us to explore our beliefs more deeply, understand God better, and reflect on our purpose in life. Let's explore some key Bible topics that can inspire meaningful dialogue.

On October 4 our topic will be "The Nature of God". Who is God? What are His attributes? Understanding the nature of God is foundational to Christian theology. The Bible reveals God as loving, just, merciful, and all-powerful. Discussing God's nature helps us grasp His character and how He relates to humanity. It also allows us to explore the mystery of God's essence and how His divine nature impacts our daily lives. Please join us in the Rudorah Welcome Center at 7:00 AM for coffee and muffins for this and future discussions.

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: 10/4, 10/18, 11/1, 11/15, 11/29, 12/13, 12/27

Sunday Leaders

Sound & Video Technicians

Brian Benedum
David Cover

Liturgist
Sarah Clawson

Children's Church
Leader: Scott Higgins
Volunteer: Sarah Clawson

September Ushers
Melinda Scott, Chair
Ric Bell

Lay Leader
Henry Comer

September Hospitality
Marilyn & Melinda Scott

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Costa Rica
Youth Mission Trip
Auction Fundraiser
October 19, 2025
5 - 6:30 PM
Fellowship Hall
Potluck dinner
Silent auction

The youth group is accepting donations for silent auction items.
All are welcome to participate!
Please contact Katelyn Hanna,
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THE BUTCHER BLOCK
EAT. DRINK. GATHER.

Enjoy Sunday
Brunch at **The Butcher Block Restaurant** and take your church 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 selections!