

Union Methodist Church

A Global Methodist Church Congregation

Third Sunday After Pentecost, June 9th, 2024.

**2024 Theme: "A fruitful church that wins souls,
making and nurturing disciples of Christ."**

"The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life,
and he who wins souls is wise." Proverbs 11:30 NKJV

Website: unionmcnc.com

It is our prayer that you will feel welcome and experience God's love here.

If you are new, please consider making this your church.

Entrance & Call to Worship

Introit: Sammy Kinton

***Call to Worship: PSALM 138 NRSV**

1 I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;

before the gods I sing your praise;

2 I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks

to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness;

for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.

3 On the day I called, you answered me,

you increased my strength of soul.

4 All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,

for they have heard the words of your mouth.

5 They shall sing of the ways of the Lord,

for great is the glory of the Lord.

6 For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly;

but the haughty he perceives from far away.

7 Though I walk in the midst of trouble,

you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;

you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.

8. The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love,

O Lord, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.

***Hymn of Praise: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"** UMH 140

***Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles Creed** UMH 881

***Gloria Patri** UMH 70

Welcome and Announcements

Prayers and Thanksgiving

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Prayer for Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

Proclamation and Response

Children's Time

Mary Allen

Confession

This is my Bible. I am what it says I am. I can do what it says I can do.

Today, I will be taught the Word of God. I boldly confess:

my mind is alert, my heart is receptive. I will never be the same.

In Jesus name. Amen.

Giving of God's Tithes & Offerings

*Doxology

UMH 95

1st Lesson: Genesis 2:4-9, Pew Bible pp 2

*2nd Lesson: Mark 4:3-8, 13-20 Pew Bible pp 709 *Pastor Michael*

Message: **The Kingdom of God - Part 4**

How it Works: Seedtime & Harvest

Prayer Response

Sending Forth

*Hymn: "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations"

UMH 569

*Benediction

*Please stand as you are able.

Upcoming Events:

- **Today: Live streaming link for this service** – see unionmcnc.com
- **Weekly Prayer Meetings:** Tuesdays: 10am; Thursdays:6:30 pm
- **Saturdays: Breakfast & fellowship for all: 9am**
- **Daily Devotional Based on Our Weekly Sermons:** To receive these, please request by email to unionmc07@gmail.com.
- **Call for Volunteers:** Communications/Public Relations Team and Audio-Visual Production Team. **Sign up sheet on tables in narthex.**
- **Yard Sale:** The Women's Group yard sale will be Saturday June 15, 2024 from 7 a.m. to 12 noon. **Yard Sale Donations** may be brought to the New Fellowship Hall from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. June 3rd through 14th (except Sunday, June 9th). Please leave large items and furniture under the shelter behind the New Fellowship Hall.
- **June 30th, 6pm - Evening Joint Service** at Coates Methodist Church. This is a joint evening service of 3 GMC churches - with Coates Methodist, New Life Church, and Union Methodist coming together.

Today's Flowers: For the Glory of God and in honor of Loyd and Mamie Jo Darroch's anniversary by their children.

Bible in 3 Years: For more info: contact Don Wilson - 910 580 3428

Today: 1 Chronicles 6; JUN 10: Psalms 78; JUN 11: 1 Chronicles 7;

JUN 12: 1 Chronicles 8; JUN 13: Acts 25; JUN 14: 1 Chronicles 9;

June 15: 1 Chronicles 10

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Keith Carroll- Lay Leader; Mitch Darroch - Assistant Lay Leader; Shane Sebastian - Assistant Lay Leader;

Mary Allen- Children's Ministry; Sammy Kinton- Pianist;