

Union Methodist Church

A Global Methodist Church Congregation
Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost, August 4th, 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 103:1-5, 8, 10-11 NRSV**

1 Bless the Lord, O my soul,

and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

2 Bless the Lord, O my soul,

and do not forget all his benefits—

3 who forgives all your iniquity,

who heals all your diseases,

4 who redeems your life from the Pit,

who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,

5 who satisfies you with good as long as you live

so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

8 The Lord is merciful and gracious,

slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

10 He does not deal with us according to our sins,

nor repay us according to our iniquities.

11 For as the heavens are high above the earth,

so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

AMEN

***Hymn of Praise:** "I Stand Amazed in the Presence" UMH 371

***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: John 3:1-8 Pew Bible pp 751

Braxtyn Taylor

*2nd Lesson: Luke 9:57-62 Pew Bible pp 733

Pastor Michael

Message: **The Kingdom of God - Part 10**

Preach The Gospel of the Kingdom In All Seasons

Response: **Holy Communion**

UMH P12-14

Sending Forth

*Hymn: "I Am Thine, O Lord"

UMH 419

*Benediction

*Please stand as you are able.

Upcoming Events:

- Today: Live streaming link for this service – see unionmcnc.com
- Today: Special Church Council Meeting after 11am service.
- Weekly Prayer Meetings: Tuesdays: 10am; Thursdays: 6:30pm
- Saturdays: Breakfast & fellowship for all: 9am
- Call for Volunteers: Communications/Public Relations Team and Audio-Visual Production Team. Sign up sheet on tables in narthex.
- Wednesday, August 7th: Education Committee Meeting - 6:30 pm
- August 11th: Blessing of book bags, and Back to School covered dish lunch after the 11am service.

Today's Flowers: For the glory of God

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

Today: 2 Chronicles 13; AUG 5: Hebrews 10; AUG 6: 2 Chronicles 14; AUG 7: 2 Chronicles 15; AUG 8: Hebrews 11;
AUG 9: 2 Chronicles 16; AUG 10: 2 Chronicles 17.

Rev. Dr. Michael Larbi, Pastor 910-984-1160; mlarbi@mac.com.

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

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