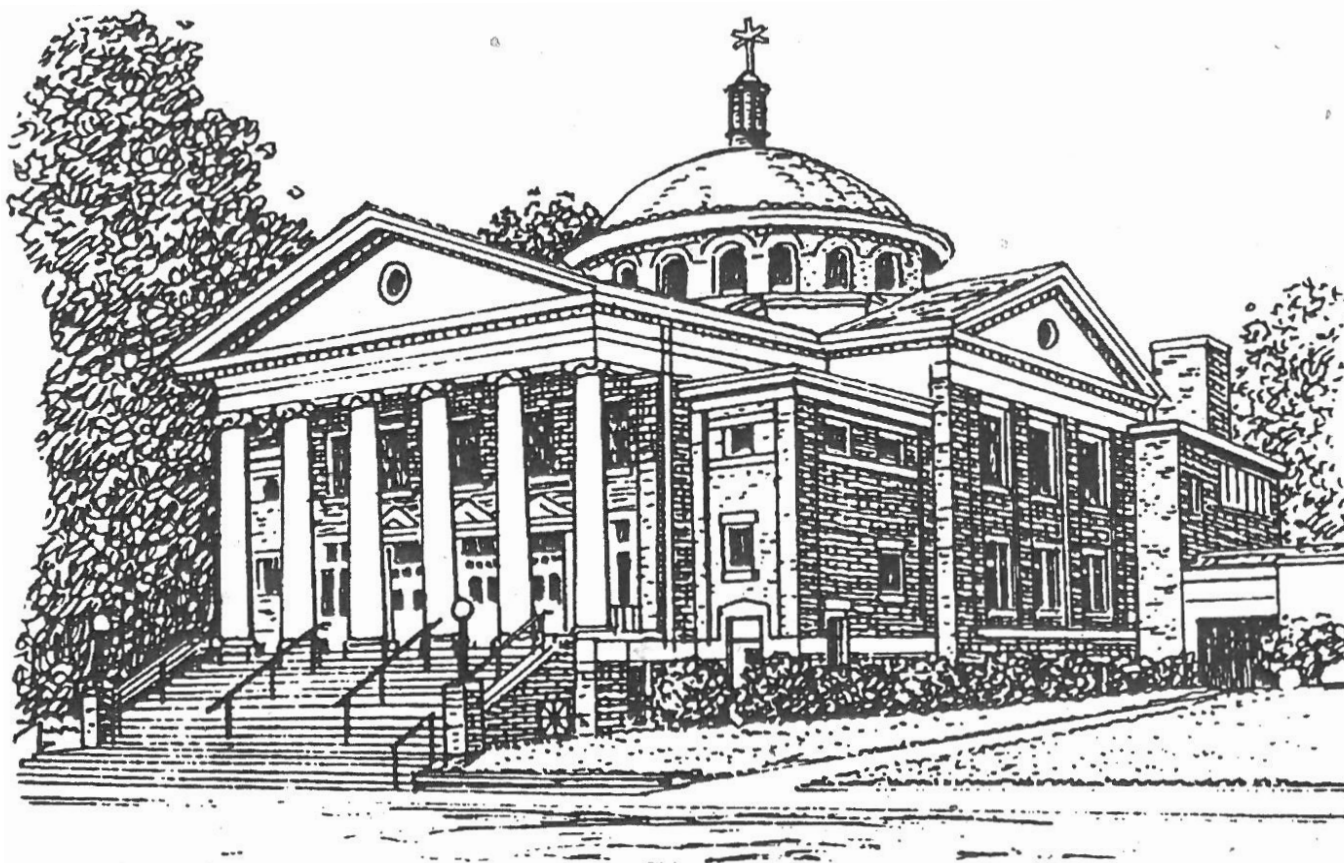




*First United
Methodist Church*

Conway, AR



The Ninth Sunday After Pentecost
August 10, 2025
11:00 a.m.

1610 Prince Street, Conway, Arkansas, (501) 329-3801, conwayfumc.org

Welcome to First United Methodist Church. Please accept this invitation to participate fully in worship and give glory to God.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE WELCOME

Prelude Faith and Assurance Benjamin Dockery, 2025

The Call to Worship

Officiant We gather together to worship,
People **knowing that God is already here among us;**
Officiant knowing that there is nothing that separates us
People **from the presence of our Lord.**
Officiant Wherever we are, wherever we go,
People **God is near.**

Hymn 454 Open my eyes, that I may see *Open my Eyes*
Sung by all, standing.

All sit.

The Confession and Pardon

All

Holy God, you call us to do good, seek justice, and care for those in need, yet how often we place our own comforts above compassion for others. Forgive us, we pray, and cleanse us from these and all our offenses through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

All pray in silence.

Officiant

God is merciful and kind; though our sins are like scarlet, they become like snow. Be at peace, for your sins are washed clean by the goodness of God.

People **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

The Prayer for Illumination

The Scripture Lesson

Hebrews 10:9-25

Reader The word of God for the people of God.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 133 UMC Hymnal 850

The Psalm is read responsively as indicated.

Hymn 206 I want to walk as a child of the light *Houston*
Sung by all, standing.

The Gospel Lesson

Matthew 5:23-24

Pastor The Gospel of Jesus Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon Moana 2

The Affirmation of Faith, UMC Hymnal 889

Concerns and Prayers

Officiant Lord, in your mercy.

People Hear our prayer.

The Lord's Prayer

All

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory for ever. Amen.

The Offering

Music at the Offertory

Love and Devotion

Benjamin Dockery

You may give in these ways:

Text "Give" to 501-500-5335

or place cash or a check in the offering plate

or scan the QR code.



As the offering is presented the following hymn is sung by all:

Hymn 70

Meineke

**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.**

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

THE SENDING FORTH

Hymn 338

Where he leads me

Norris

Sung by all, standing.

The Dismissal with Blessing

Officiant The peace of Christ be with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Response

My hope is built

The Solid Rock

Sung by all, standing.

When he shall come with trumpet sound,

O may I then in him be found!

**Dressed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before the throne!**

**On Christ the solid rock I stand,
all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.**

Postlude

Allegro

Johann Gottfried Walther
(1684-1748)

Memorials & Honor Gifts

*To the glory of God in memory of
Marette Stirtz*

*by Dottie Patterson, Bill & Cecilia Patterson,
Jamie Bird, Pat & Beverly Bowles*

*To the glory of God in memory of
Lana Chastain
by Pat & Beverly Bowles*

*To the glory of God in honor of
Zach Schrick & C1 Youth
by Bill & Cecilia Patterson*

*To the glory of God in honor of
Chad & Miranda Hornsby
by Pat & Beverly Bowles*

*To the glory of God in honor of
Kish Jones
by Charles Pittman*

The Officiant

Nathan Fryar

The Preacher

Rev. Nathan Kilbourne

Reader

Leigh Lassiter-Counts

Viola

Eliza Counts, Calista Sprague

Organ

Jason Saugey

PLEASE RECYCLE!



You are encouraged to take your worship booklet and announcement sheet home with you, but if you do not, please discard them in one of the blue recycling bins located near the Sanctuary doors!

454 Open My Eyes, That I May See



1. O - pen my eyes, that I may see glimps-es of truth thou
 2. O - pen my ears, that I may hear voic-es of truth thou
 3. O - pen my mouth, and let me bear glad-ly the warm truth

hast for me; place in my hands the won-der - ful key
 send - est clear; and while the wave-notes fall on my ear,
 ev - ery-where; o - pen my heart and let me pre-pare

Refrain
 that shall un-clasp and set me free.
 ev-ery-thing false will dis - ap-pear. Si-lent - ly now I
 love with thy chil - dren thus to share.

wait for thee, read - y, my God, thy will to see.

O - pen my eyes,
 O - pen my ears, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!
 O - pen my heart,

WORDS: Clara H. Scott, 1895
 MUSIC: Clara H. Scott, 1895

OPEN MY EYES
 88.98 with Refrain

206 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1. I want to walk as a child of the light.
 2. I want to see the bright-ness of God.
 3. I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.

I want to fol - low Je - sus.
 I want to look at Je - sus.
 I want to be with Je - sus.

God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Clear Sun of Righteous-ness, shine on my path, and
 When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

star of my life is Je - sus.
 show me the way to the Fa - ther.
 shall know the joy of Je - sus.

WORDS: Kathleen Thomerson, 1966
 MUSIC: Kathleen Thomerson, 1966

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HOUSTON
 10 7.10 8 with Refrain

Refrain

In him there is no dark - ness at all. The
 night and the day are both a - like. The
 Lamb is the light of the cit - y of God.
 Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

Prepare the Way of the Lord 207

Pre - pare the way of the Lord. Pre - pare the way of the Lord,
 and all peo-ple will see the sal - va - tion of our God. Pre -

WORDS: Isaiah 40:3; 52:10

MUSIC: Jacques Berthier and the Community of Taizé, 1984

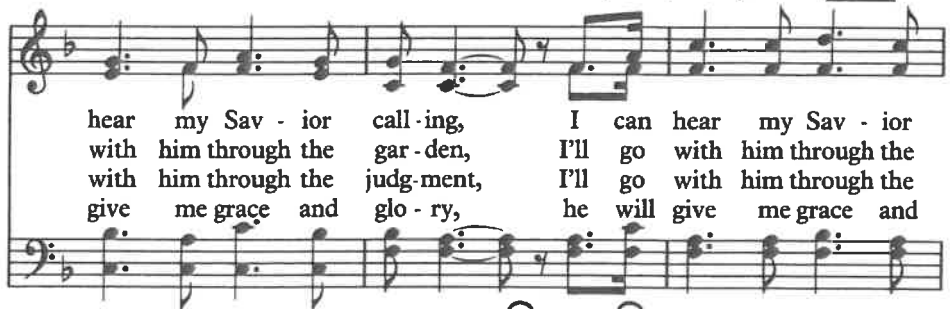
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PREPARE THE WAY
 Irr.

Where He Leads Me



1. I can hear my Sav - ior call - ing, I can
 2. I'll go with him through the gar - den, I'll go
 3. I'll go with him through the judg - ment, I'll go
 4. He will give me grace and glo - ry, he will



hear my Sav - ior call - ing, I can hear my Sav - ior
 with him through the gar - den, I'll go with him through the
 with him through the judg - ment, I'll go with him through the
 give me grace and glo - ry, he will give me grace and



call - ing, "Take thy cross and fol - low, fol - low me."
 gar - den, I'll go with him, with him all the way.
 judg - ment, I'll go with him, with him all the way.
 glo - ry, and go with me, with me all the way.

Refrain


Where he leads me I will fol - low, where he leads me
 I will fol - low, where he leads me I will

INVITATION



fol - low; I'll go with him, with him all the way.