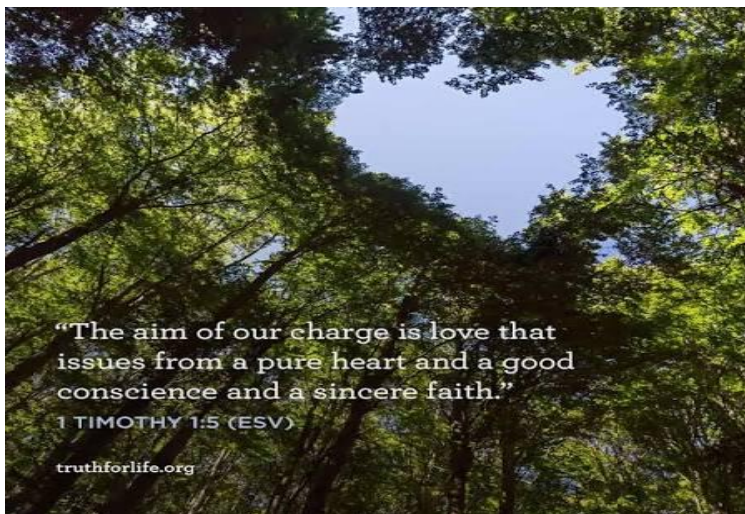




"The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith."

1 TIMOTHY 1:5 (ESV)

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Welcome to the Prayer Garden for our Summer Communion Services. This space welcomes all visitors at any time to sit or walk the brick labyrinth for solitude, prayer, and meditation.

On the first Sundays of July, August, and September, we gather for meditation and communion. We pray this service offers you an opportunity to engage with the Divine and with the community.

If you are looking for a church to call home, please consider joining us as we gather every Sunday year-round in our sanctuary for worship. Join us for any and all of our ministries where we hope to help each other grow in faith, love, and service. If we can be of service to you in any way, please let us know.



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Prayer Garden Communion Service

Please note that this service is being recorded and viewed on social media.

July 5, 2026

8:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Wyeth

WELCOME Rev. Jill Hubbard-Smith

*INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Let all who know the grace and mercy of the Lord give praise!

Even while we were lost in our sin,

Christ died that we might have life.

Let us bring glory and honor to our Creator

– the immortal, invisible, the only God.

We come with a humble spirit,

receiving God's redeeming love.

Let us exalt the Divine with our grateful praise.

*HYMN OF PRAISE *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

MORNING PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Persistently forgiving God, we are a stiff-necked and stubborn people who try your patience. So often our deeds deny you and our plans do not include you. We grumble, complain, and criticize those embodying your love for all people. Yet, instead of giving us up for lost, you seek us out until we return to you. You bring us back from our wanderings and create in us pure and faithful hearts which rejoice in your forgiveness made known through Jesus Christ. Amen

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

EPISTLE LESSON *1 Timothy 1:12-17*

MEDITATION *Messes to Miracles*

HYMN OF RESPONSE *There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

CONSECRATING THE ELEMENTS

LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING THE BREAD OF LIFE AND CUP OF SALVATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

Lord God, we have been blessed again by your loving mercy through Word and Table. As first you shared with us, may we now follow your example, using the resources we have for the poor and oppressed. May our gifts carry your grace to those who do not know the joy of living in the harmony of your divine family. Bless our ministry and our offerings that they may bring glory to you, in whose name we pray. Amen.

HYMN OF DEDICATION *Amazing Grace*

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

An offering basket is available on the center cornerstone if you would like to bring an offering to God through the ministry of First UMC.

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***Our Service of Worship Has Ended
Our Worship Through Service Begins***

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

**Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.**

**Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.**

**To all, life thou givest, to both great and small;
in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
we blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.**

**Thou reingest in glory; thou dwellest in light;
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
all laud we would render: O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.**

There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

**There's a wideness in God's mercy
like the wideness of the sea;
there's a kindness in God's justice,
which is more than liberty.**

**There is welcome for the sinner,
and more graces for the good!
There is mercy with the Savior;
there is healing in his blood.**

**For the love of God is broader
than the measure of our mind;
and the heart of the Eternal
is most wonderfully kind.**

**If our love were but more simple,
we should rest upon God's word;
and our lives would be illumined
by the presence of our Lord.**

Amazing Grace

**Amazing Grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!**

**I once was lost,
but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed.**

**Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.**

**The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be,
as long as life endures.**

**Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess, within the veil,
a life of joy and peace.**

**When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.**

Please Join Us In Mission and Ministry...
where we help each other grow in faith, love, and service.

Sunday, TODAY

Service of Worship In Person & Online	9:30 a.m.
Service of Worship – In Person	11 a.m.(Old First)

Monday, July 6 OFFICE CLOSED

AA – Wesley Hall	7:30 a.m.
Alanon – Wesley Hall	10 a.m.
12 Step Study – Fellowship Hall	7 p.m.

Tuesday, July 7

Women's Covenant Group – Library	8:30 a.m.
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Wednesday, July 8

AA – Wesley Hall	7:30 a.m.
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Thursday, July 9

Alanon – Wesley Hall	10 a.m.
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Friday, September 10

AA – Wesley Hall	7 p.m.
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Sunday, July 12 PLEASE NOTE

One Service of Worship in Person & Online	10 a.m.
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Pastor: Rev. Jill Hubbard-Smith

Secretary: Joy More

Director of Music: Denise Furda

Sexton: Lisa Costello

Streaming Team: Chip Stoll, Rob Crowther, Johnny Tocci

Director of Wesley Nursery School: Noel Worthington

Director of Music Emeritus: Gary Farquhar