



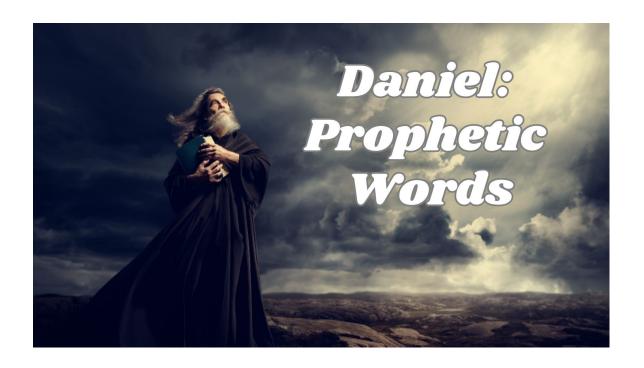






FIRST united methodist CHURCH

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Our Vision Statement:

Enlarging the circle of disciples through Jesus

Thanks for joining us today! If you have any questions while you are here this morning, you can find an answer at the Welcome table, which is inside the doors off Jefferson Street. Whatever your circumstances, and no matter where you've been, you matter to God, and you matter to us. We are glad you are here! If you are a first time guest with us this morning, Welcome! Please stop by the welcome table and pick up a welcome packet.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

"For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms." Ephesians 6:12 NIV

*indicates please stand if you are able

Please fill out the attendance pad and pass it to your neighbor

Welcome & Announcements

Susan Burchfield

Choral Introit

Prelude Prelude by Franklin Ritter

*Call to Worship

Leader: I saw a vision of a great war

People: The vision troubled me, and I mourned for weeks

Leader: The Angel came and spoke to me.

People: My words were heard, and that he had come in response to them.

Leader: My strength failed at the sight of the angelic figure

People: But he gave me strength for the time ahead

Leader: The figure spoke and said be calm and have peace

People: The angelic one will come again to fight the battle for us

*Hymn Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

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*Opening Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank You that Christ Jesus has won the victory over sin, Satan, and the spiritual forces that work in the darkness of this world. Help us recognize that we can only defeat the spiritual enemies of war in the world today through Christ. Thank You for providing us with the means to live a victorious life in Christ, through the Word of God, prayer, and praise, and by abiding in Christ and He in me. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

*Song How Great Is Our God

Introduction of Preschool Teachers

Chat with the Children / Baptism Ruth Ann Dowler / Pastor Christian Taylor

Children are dismissed to AWE - Preschool through 5th grade

baptism: Sawyer Young parents: Ethan and Natasha Young

Life in the Church

*Scripture Daniel 10:2-21

Anthem Peace I Give to You by Craig Courtney

Chancel Choir

Series Daniel: Prophetic Words
Message I Have Been Sent to You

*Song God You're So Good

Prayers of the People The Lord's Prayer

Giving of Tithes & Offerings

Offertory Moderator by Lani Smith

*Doxology Majesty
*Prayer of Gratitude

*Song / Hymn How Great Thou Art

*Spoken Benediction

*Choral Benediction

Postlude Maestoso by Lani Smith

Thank you for worshiping with us!



You are invited to be seated and enjoy the Postlude or leave quietly in peace.

Pastor Christian Taylor

(Children return from AWE)

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KID'S MINISTRY AWE

Children preschool through 5th grade have an opportunity to build their relationship with Jesus through uplifting songs and impactful Bible lessons by attending our Alternate Worship Experience. Children will be released to AWE after praise and worship and return during offering time.

AWE will not meet Communion Sunday which is the first Sunday of the month.

Leaders in Today's Worship

Pastor: Christian Taylor Worship Leader: Jeremy Laukhuf Director of Music: Scott Turner Acolytes: Vivian Laukhuf & Ceci Staas Screen Creators: Cheri Oechsle &

Melody Taylor

Projectionist: Noah Krites
Sound Technician: Kyle Wendel
Videographer: Dave Thompson
Usher Coordinator: Neil Shaffer &
Dave Lichtle, Assistant