



The Order of *worship* for August 30, 2026 - The Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost



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Ringing of the Bell

Our bell, circa 1850, is rung every Sunday morning to signify the start of worship.

We Gather

"This Is the Day"

Welcome

Dorothy Ann Turnipseed, Liturgist

atlantafirstumc.org/connect - Fill out an online *connect & engage* card to let us know you were here.

atlantafirstumc.org/today - See the ways to *worship, serve, grow* and *engage* at Atlanta First UMC!

* We Believe

A Modern Affirmation - United Methodist Hymnal 885

We Pray

Rev. Jasmine R. Smothers, Lead Pastor (pastor@atlantafirstumc.org)

Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

* We Worship Through Song - *Lyrics displayed on-screen, please sing along!*

"Presence of the Lord Is Here"

"Alpha and Omega"

Children's Moment

Lynsey Mitchell

We Worship Through Giving

As you consider your charitable giving, please consider giving a special gift to Atlanta First. To put it simply, your gifts change lives in our community. Worshippers in the sanctuary may place offerings in offering plate as it is passed to you by an usher. You can give securely online at atlantafirstumc.org/give, give via CashApp, Text-to-Give by texting "1" to 833.675.0154, donate stock by emailing finance@atlantafirstumc.org or calling the church office at 404.524.6614, or mail a check to: Atlanta First UMC, 360 Peachtree Street NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30308.



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* Doxology

United Methodist Hymnal 94 - Doxology, "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

We Worship Through Song

"We Are Not Ashamed" - Andrae Crouch

The Atlanta First UMC Worship Team: Amber Dennard, Ronni Jackson, Hunter Christian and Ted Jenifer Rowena Dennard, Director of Worship & Music (dennard@atlantafirstumc.org)

Scripture Lesson and Sermon

Romans 12:9-21 (New Living Translation)

"You Are a Wonder!"

* We Go Forth to Serve

Benediction

Closing Song: "The Blessing" - Chris Brown, Cody Carnes, Kari Jobe and Steven Furtick

* Please stand in body or spirit, as you are able.

Welcome to Atlanta First UMC! This community of faith believes in radically welcoming all people! Whether you are young or old; light, medium, or dark skinned; living with a disability or able-bodied; have it all together or have nothing together; are poor in resources or have plenty; are LGBTQ+ or identify as straight – whoever you are and however you come, we believe that you were created in the beautiful image of God. **You are welcome and loved!**

Atlanta First exists to *worship* God, *serve* people, *grow* together and *engage* the city of Atlanta and beyond. We're on a mission to transform our community for Christ and you are invited to join the movement!

Please feel free to *worship* in a way that makes you feel most comfortable. Do not be surprised by the sounds of babies and children; crying and shouting; singing and making joyful noises. Some will *worship* quietly; some will *worship* in more expressive ways. Just as all people are welcome, all *worship* styles are welcome too. **Let us praise God!**

worship Together



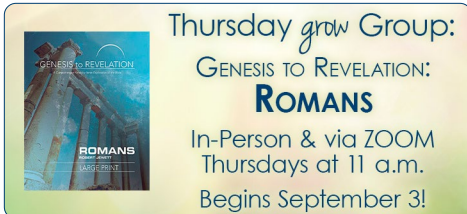
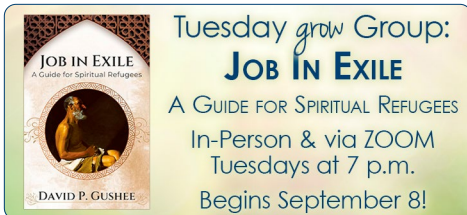
Welcome to Summer in the City *worship*! During the summer months we take a less formal approach to *worship* and look for the spiritual lessons we can learn from fun movies and tv-shows that the whole family can enjoy together.

What changes when we learn to see every person as a bearer of God's image? Join us for *Wonder: Seeing the Extraordinary*, a three-week series inspired by the film Wonder and grounded in Genesis, Isaiah, and Romans. We will explore sacred worth, courage in the face of fear, and genuine love as a way of life. Each week offers *worship*, practical tools for households and groups, and one concrete way to practice belonging in Atlanta. You do not need to have seen the film. Be sure to pick up a copy of the Devotional Guidebook!



grow Together

For details about all our *grow* groups, visit: atlantafirstumc.org/grow



pray Together

You are invited to join the church weekly on **Mondays at 12 p.m.** and **Tuesdays at 6 p.m. Eastern Time** for times of intentional prayer together. A church that prays together is a strong, fortified, and faithful congregation that can endure anything! If you have any prayer concerns or praises to share, you may send them to:

prayer@atlantafirstumc.org

Happy Birthday!

Monday, August 31

Emily Kelly

Sunday, September 6

Lochlan O'Toole

worship, serve, grow & engage
at Atlanta First:

Sunday, August 30

9 a.m. Sunday *grow* Group

tinyurl.com/AFUMC-Grow-Sunday

10 a.m. *worship* In-Person & Online
atlantafirstumc.org/live

Monday, August 31

12 p.m. Monday Noon *prayer*

tinyurl.com/AFUMC-Monday-Prayer

Tuesday, September 1

11 a.m. Friends at the Front Door

6 p.m. Intentional *prayer*

tinyurl.com/AFUMC-Prayer

Wednesday, September 2

7 p.m. Wednesday *grow* Group

tinyurl.com/AFUMC-Wednesday-Grow

Thursday, September 3

11 a.m. Thursday *grow* Group

tinyurl.com/AFUMC-Grow-Thursday

Saturday, September 5

10 a.m. Dragon Con Parade

Sunday, September 6

9 a.m. Sunday *grow* Group

10 a.m. *worship* In-Person & Online

Church Office Hours:

Sunday: 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Mon (virtual), Tues, Wed: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Thursday: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



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