

ORDER OF WORSHIP
Gathering of God’s People

Welcome

***Passing of the Peace**

Prelude

Call to Worship

We have gathered once again, Lord of all and Lord of us.

**We come to lift our prayers, and to sing your praises
once again.**

We come to ask and hope and long to see your
justice in the land.

We worship in that hope and will work in that Spirit.

Invocation

***Hymn of Praise**

Be Thou My Vision

UMH 451

***Apostles Creed**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under
Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead,
and buried; the third day he rose from the
dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of
God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the
quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic
church, the communion of saints, the
forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the
body and the life everlasting. Amen.**

***Gloria Patri**

*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.*

Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God,
we confess that we do not meditate
on your commands and teachings all day long.**

**We do not keep your word before us always
and in all things.**

**Instead, we turn away from your demanding truth
and wander toward easier options.**

**Forgive us we pray,
for pursuing our own desires rather than yours.**

**Forgive us for growing weary in following you;
for failing to prayer and work
tirelessly for justice;**

**for losing hope in your power to transform the
powers of this world.**

Tune our ears to the sound of your justice.

**Turn our hearts to your commandments
and word of grace.**

**Do not remember our sin,
but remember your mercy forever.**

We pray in Christ’s name. Amen.

Words of Assurance

Friends, God promises to forgive us,
to put our sins out of God’s own mind and heart.

In this way, God gives us not just a second chance
but a new beginning.

Believe the good news of the gospel:
our salvation is through faith in Christ Jesus.

Thanks be to God! Amen.

Children’s Sermon

Proclamation of the Word

Anthem

Chancel Choir

Scripture Lesson Luke 18:1-8

This is the Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Waldrup

Response to God’s Word

Choral Call to Prayer

Chancel Choir

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me!

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer

Dedication of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

***Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise Him, all creatures here below;
praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***Hymn of Invitation and Dedication**

Seek Ye First

UMH 405

***Benediction**

May you continually wrestle with prayer.

May you beseech the door of heaven with shameless
boldness.

May your prayers produce, in you,
a countenance of joy,
a gracious demeanor,
and a peaceful heart

And may the God of hope fill you with peace,
that you may abound in hope,
assured that your prayers are heard
by a loving and gracious Father.

***Congregational Choral Response**

*Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.
May God’s full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.*

***Postlude**

Liturgist: Tara Armstrong

Prayers for...
the people of Ukraine, Israel, and Gaza.
our men and women serving in harm's way.
neighbors served by our ministries
our public schools
victims of violence and their families

our church family... Ed & Bonnie House,
 Rhonda Shirey, Dot Everett, Don Davis, Wanda Shambley,
 Sara Yarbrough, Judson Hout, Fred Dietrich, Verna Riley,
 Brenda Grimes, Ron Randolph, Joe Hirsch, Neelie Dobbins

extended family...James Louviere, Collins Whitley,
 Billy Atkins, Daniel Godwin, Bill Paysen, Bobby Clayborn,
 Joshua Sheehan, Charlie Atkins, Greg Nettles, Lowell Tutt,
 Jay Williams, Zach Sloan, Elizabeth Rowlett, Emory Long,
 Laura Strickland, Kaye Haun, McLissa Horseman,
 Donna Morey, Ernest Rayford, Jerry Brand

homebound or assisted living ...Joyce Mann,
 Elizabeth Taylor, Danny Barnes, Sarah Shirey,
 Ruth Dempsey, Billy Joe Black, Vickie Moore,
 Lou Slaughter, Pat Beasley, Dot Bearden, Ann Ellen

military...Buck Lucas

South District Prayer Partner...Sulpher Springs UMC

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*Happy 90th Birthday to Sarah Shirey today!*

*The rose on the altar celebrates the November 12th birth of Annie Reeves McCullough, daughter of Spencer & Dallas McCullough. Rebecca & Phillip Roark are the proud grandparents.*

**Camden First United Methodist Church Staff**  
 Pastor.....Rev. Beth A. Waldrup  
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**This Week at Church**

**Sunday, November 16, 2025**  
 9:00am Worship Broadcast on FM 97.1  
 9:30am Sunday School  
 10:30am Worship  
 5:00pm Youth

**Monday, November 17, 2025**  
 9:00am Food Pantry  
 11:00am Strong Women  
 2:30pm Great Hall Open  
 4:45pm Sue's Table  
 6:00pm Advent Study

**Tuesday, November 18, 2025**  
 8:30am Preschool  
 9:00am Food Pantry  
 10:00am Thanksgiving Prep

**Wednesday, November 19, 2025**  
 8:30am Preschool  
 10:00am Thanksgiving Prep  
 11:00am Strong Women  
 12:00 noon Advent Study  
 5:45pm Leadership Board  
 6:30pm Hand Bells  
 7:30pm Choir

**Thursday, November 20, 2025**  
 8:30am Preschool

**Friday, November 21, 2025**  
 9:00am Food Pantry  
 11:00am Strong Women

**The full worship service is broadcast on FM 97.1 on Sunday mornings at 9:00am. The Worship Service is available on our YouTube channel - First United Methodist Church Camden, AR**

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*Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost*

**November 16, 2025**

*Following Jesus*  
*Loving People*  
*Sharing Grace*