

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF GILLETTE

July 19, 2026

Prelude

Welcome

Call to Worship

One: Today, we gather to join our voices with winds and seas, sunshine and rain, mountains and grassy plains to worship God, our Creator.
ALL: We gather as children of God, stewards of God’s creation.
One: We gather to join our hearts with creatures who creep and crawl, slither and squirm, swim and soar, to worship God, our Creator.
ALL: We gather as children of God, stewards of God’s creation.
One: We gather as witnesses of the harm that has been done to God’s creation, to the groanings of the earth and all the earth’s inhabitants who long for peace and flourishing.
ALL: We gather as children of God, stewards of God’s creation.
One: Come, let us worship God who strengthens and equips us, guiding us to live out our faith as good stewards of God’s good creation.
ALL: Come, let us worship God who inspires and empowers us to be stewards of hope and redemption in a wounded and hurting world!
Amen.

Opening Prayer

God of grace and love, We rely on Your love extended to us in all ways and at all times, extravagantly and with generosity. We live day by day knowing that Your care and concern is poured out for us in Your provision for our needs and beyond our imagining. You entrust us with the gift of the good news of the Gospel and invite us to be partners in the sharing of the message of grace. Day by day, we realize the many gifts lavished upon us. We come to You to acknowledge and praise You for all Your goodness to us. Amen.

Opening Hymn Gather Us In FWS 2236
vs. 1, 2 and 4

Scripture Reading Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24

Sing the Children forward: Where Children Belong FWS 2233
This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God’s Word, bread and cup, prayer and song; This is where children belong.

Children’s Time

Scripture Reading Romans 8:12-25

Message Waiting with Eager Longing Rev. Patricia Bell

Hymn For the Healing of the Nations UMH 428

Prayers of the People

Reflection You Are My Hiding Place John Michael Talbot

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord’s Prayer
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, forever. Amen.

Offering

Doxology: Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up lifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Closing Hymn He Who Began a Good Work in You FWS 2163
(x2)

Benediction

Postlude

Building Communities in Love



Date:

Name:

Address:

Email:

Phone:

Please mark all that apply

*I have been looking for and have seen God at work this week.*_____

*Today I spoke with someone I usually do not have a conversation with.*_____

*I feel welcome here*_____

*I am a visitor*_____

*I am seeking a Church home*_____

*I give electronically*_____

*I would like more information on electronic giving*_____

*I would like a call/visit from the Pastor*_____

Hymnals are available on the back tables. "UMH" denotes the hardbound United Methodist Hymnal.

"FWS" denotes the thinner, soft covered Faith We Sing song books. "W&S" denotes the green, soft cover Worship and Song books.

We love kids at FUMC! Children are welcome to remain in the sanctuary during worship.

A changing table may be found in the bathroom near the east entrance.

We joyously welcome all who have come to worship

Tim Leair, Tommy, Rod, Czapla family, those suffering in the heat

7/12/2026	
<i>Giving</i>	
Offering this Week	\$ 2,447.00
Needed Each Week	\$ 4,096.95
Difference +/-	\$ (1,649.95)
Offering YTD	\$ 110,509.00
Budget This YTD	\$ 114,714.60
Difference +/-	\$ (4,205.60)
<i>Expenditures</i>	
Budget This YTD	\$ 114,714.60
Expenditures YTD	\$ 125,259.55
Difference +/-	\$ (10,544.95)
Giving vs. Expenditures	\$ (14,750.55)
Council of Community Serv.	\$ 46.78

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Presence

Worship Services 8am and 9:15 am

Service

We strive to live out our Faith in service to our Church, our Community, and our World.

Witness

Show God’s love to all we meet
Invite others to Church!

Gifts

07/12/2026

General.....\$2947.00

Thanks to you all for your continuing generosity. Your commitment to keep up with your giving is vital to the life of the church. If you need an offering envelope, they are located on the back tables Again, Thank You.

First United Methodist Church is...
Building a Christian community where followers of Jesus advance God’s mission
for all creation by...
**reaching up to God,
reaching across to our neighbor,
and reaching out to the world.**

