OUR PRAYER LIST — Our President, all who defend our nation, Sue Nichols (Pam Humphries' mother), Bobby Sellers (Angie Smith's uncle), Raul Wetternek, Oscar Wetternek (Henrietta Kollitz's friend), Sis Funderburk, Jane Mayhew, Jim Ross (Jane Mayhew's nephew), Jeff Treadaway (Angie Smith's friend), Gina Reid Merriman (Renie Seels' niece), Chris Thrailkill, David Freeman (Brooke Freeman's Father-in-law), Jayne Burr Board, Mattie Thomas (Norma Cobb's sister), Lynda Coleman (Jenny Outen's friend), Margaret Blue Stewart (Thomas McKinnon's sister), Pal Moore, Ray McManus, James Thurman (Angie Smith's daddy), Ruth Turner Family, Clyde Goodwin, Dee Dee and Terry Crocker.

NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, June 10, 2018

8:30am UMM Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)

9:30am Palmetto Ridge Ministry (Palmetto Ridge)

3:00pm UMW Quarterly Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

10:00am Sunday School

11:00am Worship Service

Monday, June 11, 2018

9-11:30am VBS

6:00pm Boy Scout Meeting (Scout Hut)

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

9-11:30am VBS

1:30pm Staff Meeting

5:30pm Weight Watchers Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, June 13, 2018

9-11:30am VBS

6:30pm Choir Practice (Choir Room)

Thursday, June 14, 2018

9-11:30am VBS 6:00pm Cub Scouts

Sunday, June 17, 2018

10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship Service

TRANSITION: With packing and getting ready for the move, I will be out of the office some in the days ahead. In the event of need, contact the church office and Angie or Sara will share with me your needs, and I will get back with you as soon as I possibly can.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR FOOD PANTRY: Crackers, Pop Tarts, spaghetti noodles, jelly, salt/pepper, cereal, peanut butter, macaroni and cheese, pudding, nuts, canned spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, canned meats, rice, and dried fruit.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR PALMETTO RIDGE MINISTRY: Honey Buns, Lance Toast Cheese Crackers, Coke/Diet Coke (Please Coke products only).

BIBLE STUDY: "You'll Get Through This" – held on Thursdays at 10:00am at 1-5-Ate Bakery...for more details contact Sara at 843-537-7002 or 843-910-7987.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: will be held June 11-14 from 9:00-11:30am. If you would like to help, please let Sara know.

SALKEHATCHIE: Any youth 14 and older or adults interested in attending Salkehatchie this summer should begin registering as soon as possible. Just go online to Salkehatchie.org and choose the Foothills Camp in Pendleton, SC, if you wish to go with the larger group who attends each year. Other camps for other dates are also available, so please feel free to choose the camp of your choice. Contact Shannon Johnson, if you have questions. We love to add new attendees each year, so please join us!

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS: Sara has a new email address. Please use it when contacting her from this point forward, it is saralsanderson1@gmail.com.

FLOWER CALENDAR: There are quite a few Sundays open during the summer for flowers. We realize that buying flowers can be expensive, so another option for you is to use spring garden flowers or greenery to make an arrangement. If you would like to do so, please sign up on the flower calendar in the lobby by the fellowship hall.

LOVE OFFERING: Pastor Ken's last day as our assigned pastor will be on June 24. We would like to present him a love offering gift that day in recognition of his service to our church. You may give this to Angie Smith in our church office, or you can place in the offering plate on Sunday and mark it LOVE OFFERING. Thank you very much, Staff Parish Relations Committee

COUNTERS NOTICE: For some time, we have been considering not counting the money on Sunday's after worship. Those responsible for counting need to place the money in the bag and transport it to the bank. We have Monday morning counters scheduled to come in each week and count the offering. This should begin on today.

FUMC STAFF

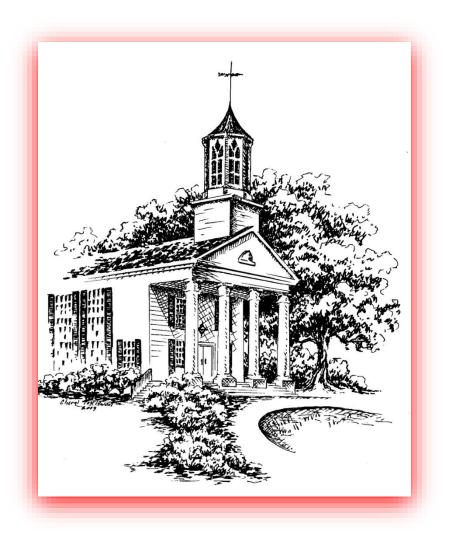
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THE CHURCH WITH A HEART, IN THE HEART OF CHERAW A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP JUNE 10, 2018

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

LITURGICAL COLOR: RED

PARSON TO PERSON

In a Bible Study session I shared that there are times that good people will worship their traditions more than they worship God. This was inspired by my study of 24 Hours That Changed the World as it spoke of the people who turned against Jesus when he would not conform to their visions of what Messiah was supposed to be. When Jesus declined to live within some of the time-honored traditions of his day, some people changed their minds about him. From then to now people can be funny about traditions. There are times we worship our traditions more than the one we are called to worship.

Soren Kierkegaard said, "Christ calls people not to admiration, but to discipleship." (Article by Bishop Will Willimon in The Christian Century, Too Much Practice, March 9, 2010, page 22.) Such thoughts have turned my study efforts of late to the miracles of Jesus. In each of the miracles, the Lord helps to change things. He does not do so in grandiose fashion, but most often in quiet, what is available as the source of the miracle. In one instance, it is water (to wine) and in another it is a small boy's lunch (bread and fish) to feed 5,000. In each of his miracles, Jesus points to the grace and power of God to do unthinkable things. The miracles quietly alter the mindset of those he makes privy to them.

Through these miracles, those who follow Jesus are reminded that worship is directed to God. Thus, there are some changes coming for us at First Church. As with most things, change is not always welcomed though it is a reality in the church of God. The power of God will be seen in our changes. Two years ago we began with an invitation for everyone to be ALL IN and to pull together for the good of our fellowship. We did our best to get everyone on the same page. Then we determined to PRESS ON and continue the success we discovered and to grow in our hopes and dreams. Next we determined to BE THE CHURCH. I'm so proud of all that we have accomplished for the Kingdom. Yet, there is more to do. Your new pastor Kim Eanes will be a good and devoted leader. She will bring skills and vision to add to the ministry of this church. We need to strengthen ourselves. New choir members are called for. We have a goal of thirty members, and we will purchase new choir robes. Seed money is in place for that. Volunteers are needed for VBS. It matters to the children. We need stronger giving that we stay on track for another strong financial year. Attendance in worship is vital, and summer attendance is especially necessary. I ask that Young Learners come forth and support Rev. Eanes just like you have honored me. In days yet to be, our goal is to be a new creation for the good of the church.

I look forward as we come to the "worship place" and think more on who we worship than upon ourselves.

Ken Timmerman

Head Usher: Heath Ruffner

UMW Quarterly Meeting: Our quarterly meeting will be this afternoon at 3 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Ms. Susanne Green from the "Sisters of the Savior" group from Zoar and other Methodist Churches in the area will present our program. She will be speaking to us about some of their mission projects. After our program and a short business meeting, we will have a light supper. Our mission project for the meeting is to bring a love offering for the work of the "Sisters of the Savior." Look forward to seeing you at the meeting!

GIVING: In response to recent week's giving, we must share with you our need for stronger giving as we move to the summertime. Though there is to be a change in leadership, our giving must remain strong. We have many obligations to meet and much to accomplish. Thank you for your attention to this need.

CONGRATULATIONS: To all 2018 High School graduates, Alex Lee, Hannah Leach, Kathryn Johnson, Jason Lewis, and Walker Jones. Also, congratulations to Cooper Timmerman who graduated from Myrtle Beach High School on June 5.

SERVING TODAY

Greeters: M&M Manfred Kollitz **Lobby Door Greeter:** Sammy Quick, Jerry Tucker **Nurserv:** Caroline Quick & Leslev Jean Watson

Next Week's Lay Reader: Zack Carabo Flowers Next Sunday: Calhoun

Acolyte: Saphia Prevatte Cross Bearer: Ella Prevatte **Hostess:** Henrietta Kollitz **McArn Items:** Canned meats

Worship Attendance, June 3 - 106; Sunday School Attendance, June 3 - 79

Received to Date: \$188,044.85; **Expenses to Date:** \$189,809.69 **Needed Weekly:** \$7,269.25; **Received Sunday, June 3:** \$3,909.50

A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

**Please take a moment and silence your cellphone for the duration of the worship service. This is a sacred time when God communes with his people.

Prelude Welcome to every visitor. Please sign the attendance pad and pass it to everyone on the pew, putting the sheet in the offering plate.

*Call to Worship

*Hymn No. 559 "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" **WESTMINSTER ABBY**

*Opening Prayer (In Unison)

We enter your Sanctuary to offer praise to your holy name. Help us to take stock of the good things of life and to think of what we have rather than what we lack. Touch every heart reminding us that you are as close as a prayer and that you come to work in every soul. As you speak to us, may we respond in greater faith than we have known. And may your love change us from within. We pray in the name of the One who is worthy of our praise, Jesus our Lord. Amen

Life Lessons for Young Learners

Responsive Psalter Reading No. 853 Psalm 138

Sara Sanderson, Lay Reader

*Affirmation of Faith No. 881

The Apostles' Creed, Traditional Version

Lay Reader

*Gloria Patri

Morning Prayer/The Lord's Prayer

Gathering God's Tithes and Our Offerings

*Offertory

*Doxology No. 95 "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" **OLD 100TH**

*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Hymn No. 2178 "Here Am I" **STANISLAUS**

Scripture

Rev. Ken Timmerman

*Hymn No. 431

Sermon

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

"Praises and Breath"

Psalm 150

WORLD PEACE

*Benediction

*Postlude

*Please stand if able.

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the glory of God and to the beauty of His handiwork, by Penny and Sammy Quick.

Special music this morning is provided by Lawton and Margaret Jean Harris.