

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, July 29, 2012

- 8:45am Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 10:00am Sunday School
- 11:00am Worship Service
- 7:00pm Praise Singers Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

Monday, July 30, 2012

- 11:00am Caring Callers Meeting
- 7:00pm Worship Ministry Team Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, July 31, 2012

- 6:00pm Genesis Planning Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, August 1, 2012

- 7:00pm Prayer Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- Bulletin Deadline*

Thursday, August 2, 2012

Bus Reserved

Sunday, August 5, 2012

- 8:45am Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 10:00am Sunday School
- 11:00am Worship Service
- 3:00pm Eagle Scout Court of Honor (Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall)
- 5:00pm UMYF (Youth Hut)
- 7:00pm Praise Singers Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

Bishop Taylor to be Replaced by Bishop Holston

The South Carolina Conference will bid farewell to Bishop Mary Virginia Taylor next month. She has been transferred to the Holston Conference, which encompasses portions of East Tennessee, north Georgia and western Virginia. Bishop Jonathan Holston will become Presiding Bishop of the Columbia Area of the United Methodist Church as of September 1. Bishop Holston was the first-elected new bishop at the Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference held July 18 — 20 at Lake Junaluska, NC.

Bishop Holston was nominated for the episcopacy by the North Georgia Conference. He has served in the Atlanta area for many years. He was Atlanta-Decatur-Oxford District Superintendent and for the past seven years has been pastor of St. James UMC, Atlanta. Bishop Holston's wife is Felecia. They have two children, Karlton Maurice and Brittany Jene'.

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The Mission of the First United Methodist Church is to win and nurture souls for Jesus Christ by sharing and living the message of salvation.

July 29, 2012

9th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Greeting and Announcements

Please sign the attendance pad and pass it to everyone on the pew.

*Ritual of Friendship

Call to Worship

*Hymn of Praise No. 2213 in *The Faith We Sing* "Healer of Our Every Ill"

Healer of Our Every Ill

Unison Prayer

Lay Reader

O God, make the door of this house wide enough to receive all who need human love and fellowship, narrow enough to shut out envy, pride, and strife. Make its threshold smooth enough to be no stumbling block to children, not to straying feet, but rugged and strong enough to turn back evil's power. God, make the door of this house the gateway to your eternal kingdom. Amen. (*The United Methodist Publishing House*)

Silent Prayer

Mini Sermon

Rev. Paul A. Wood, Jr.

First Old Testament Lesson

2 Kings 4: 8 — 17

Lay Reader

*Psalter Lesson No. 803

Psalms 81

Lay Reader

*Affirmation of Faith No. 881 in the Hymnal "The Apostles' Creed"

Lay Reader

*Gloria Patri Page No. 70 in the Hymnal "Glory Be to the Father"

Meineke

New Testament Lesson

Hebrews 13: 1 — 2

Rev. Wood

Sermon

The Prophet Receives Help from a Stranger"
(5th in sermon series on Elijah & Elisha)

Rev. Wood

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Wood

***Hymn No. 410 in the Hymnal**

“I Want a Principle Within”

Gerald

Presentation of Tithes and Other Offerings

Offertory Anthem

***Doxology No. 95**

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Old 100th

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

***The Lord’s Prayer Sung (See Card in Pew)**

***Hymn No. 352 in the Hymnal**

“It’s Me, It’s Me, O Lord”

Penitent

***Dismissal with Blessing**

***Postlude**

WELCOME VISITORS — We welcome our visitors! Please fill out the attendance sheet with your contact information. If you wish to join the church by Affirmation of Faith or Transfer of Membership, please notify the pastor at 843-537-3635.

OUR PRAYER LIST Bob Lockey, Brady & Sue Nichols (Pam Humphries’ parents), Larry Spears, Frankie Webster (Allan & Dawn Chapman’s friend), Jack Baker (Charlotte Crosby’s Brother in Law), Percy Walters (Charlotte Crosby’s Brother in Law). R. E. Mayhew. **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

GENESIS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED — The Genesis Service is in need of someone to volunteer to help with the developing of the computer presentations during the monthly services. If you are interested, please call Jon Kroepel (287-1130) or the church office (537-7002).

UPCOMING SERMONS — Paul Wood’s sermons on Elijah and Elisha will continue next Sunday, August 5. To be well-prepared, Paul hopes you will take time this week to read 2 Kings 5: 1 – 19a.

EVERYBODY LOVES AN AUCTION! — The Board of Directors of First United Methodist Pre-School is planning a dinner and auction to support this proud mission of our church. On Thursday, September 13, you are invited to be a contributor of items or services to be placed in a silent auction to benefit our pre-school. Our own Anthony Harris will be chief cook for a shrimp creole dinner. We want to offer a variety of items to bid on (our lowest acceptable bid will be \$30). Let’s make this not only profitable for the pre-school but also fun. Please contact Marcia Butler, Bonnie Cundiff or Paul Wood to let us know what you would like to contribute. Mark your calendar for Thursday September 13.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER MEETINGS — Why is it that we pray? What benefits are there to prayer? You are invited to attend prayer meetings, where we will discuss the nature of prayer in our lives, sing old gospel songs, and share prayer concerns. They will be held at 7:00pm on July 18, August 1, 8 and 15 in the fellowship hall and last about 30 to 40 minutes. Jon Kroepel will be leading each session. Invite a friend.

BUS RESERVATION FORMS — Reservation forms for bus usages have been placed on the table in the lobby and in the church office. If you wish to use the bus, please fill out a reservation form and return it to the office. This is the only way that the bus can be reserved.

WE ARE ALL INVITED to the Eagle Rank Award ceremony to be held Sunday, August 5th at 3:00 pm in the sanctuary. A reception will follow in the fellowship hall. The Eagle rank will be awarded to Jake Crouse, Joseph Harsey, Jensen Tomberlin and Michael Wagon.

BRANDON BUCHANAN, OUR DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH, has resigned effective this Sunday, July 29. He and Rebekah will be returning to his home in Florida. Brandon has been an inspiration to our children and youth in word and deed, has presented Jesus Christ in a loving way, and has consistently lived out his faith. He has been with us for almost two years. Brandon will be missed! We wish him and Rebekah the best as they begin the next phase of their lives. -- Lib Norton, Chairperson, Staff-Parish Relations Committee

GOING AWAY PARTY FOR BRANDON AND REBEKAH
Wednesday August 1, 6:00 until 8:30
Moree’s Cheraw Country Club Pool
For all children and youth and their families

Youth Outing to Wet’nWild Waterpark, Greensboro
Saturday August 18
For rising 6th graders through seniors

Interested students should contact Shannon Johnson at (704) 851-3302 or the church office at 537-7992. A deposit of \$27 must be turned in to the church office by Sunday, Aug. 12. There will be additional costs for gas and food, but details are not yet available. Meet at 7:45 a.m. Wear a bathing suit and bring a beach towel and a change of clothes.

SERVING TODAY

Head Usher: John Sanderson

Altar Guild: Pam Humphries & Linda Smith

Hostess: Gailya Wilson

Nursery: Becky Thompson

Children’s Church: No Children’s Church

Next Week’s Lay Reader: Ray Crouse

Caring Callers: Marianne Crawford, Julia Tucker, Chuck Barber

Counters: Rhett Butler, Shelton Rumph

Alternate Counter: Jerry Tucker

Last Week’s Worship Service — 138; Worship Attendance in 2011 for the same Sunday 115

Greeters: M&M Keith Smith

Acolyte: Jayson Lewis

Cross Bearer: Austin Sanderson

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