

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

### Sunday, November 18, 2012

- 9:00am Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 10:00am Sunday School
- 11:00am Worship Service (Consecration Sunday)
- 12:00pm Celebration Meal (Fellowship Hall)
- 3:30pm UMYF United Methodist Youth Fellowship (meet at church to go do a service project)
- 6:00pm Community Thanksgiving Service (Sanctuary)

### Monday, November 19, 2012

- 6:00pm Boy Scout Meeting (Scout Hut)
  - 3:30pm Community Greeters (Choir Room)
- Deadline for December 1 Newsletter*

### Tuesday, November 20, 2012

- 2-7:00pm Blood Drive (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:15pm Praise Band Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

### Thursday, November 22, 2012

*Office Closed (Thanksgiving Holiday)*

### Friday, November 23, 2012

*Office Closed (Thanksgiving Holiday)*

### Sunday, November 25, 2012

- 9:00am Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 10:00am Sunday School
- 11:00am Worship Service
- 5:00pm UMYF United Methodist Youth Fellowship (Youth Hut)
- 7:00pm Praise Singers Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)



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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.

*November 18, 2012*

*25th Sunday after Pentecost  
Consecration Sunday*

#### Prelude

#### Greeting and Announcements

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

#### \*Ritual of Friendship

#### Call to Worship

\*Hymn No. 139 in the Hymnal      “Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”      Lobe Den Herren

#### Prayer of Confession

Micki Lockey, Lay Reader

We come to you as your daughters and sons, aware of our aggression and anger, our drive to dominate and manipulate others. We ask you to forgive us, and by the gentle touch of your Spirit help us to find a renewed sense of compassion, that we may truly live as your people in service to all. Amen (United Methodist Book of Worship)

#### Silent Prayer and Words of Assurance

#### Mini Sermon

Rev. Paul Wood

#### Psalter Lesson No. 834 in the Hymnal

Psalm 113

Lay Reader

#### \*Affirmation No. 884 in the Hymnal

Korean Creed

Lay Reader

#### \*Gloria Patri — Page No. 70 in the Hymnal “Glory be to the Father”

Meineke

#### Pastoral Prayer

#### Presentation of Tithes and Other Offerings

#### Offertory

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

Handbell Choir

#### \*Doxology No. 95

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Old 100th

#### FUMC STAFF

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First

**\*The Lord’s Prayer**

**\*Hymn No. 87 in the Hymnal**

**“What Gift Can We Bring”**

Anniversary Song

**\*Gospel Lesson**

**Mark 10: 17 — 31**

Rev. Arant

**Sermon**

Rev. Arant

**Prayer**

**\*Hymn No. 2149 in *The Faith We Sing***

**“Living for Jesus”**

Living for Jesus

**The Act of Commitment**

**The Celebration Luncheon**

**\*Indicates where you should stand if you are able.**

**FLOWERS** — The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the glory of God and in honor of the birthdays of Eric Dusa and Pete Owens. We are so thankful for them! Given by Kelly, Mary-Charlotte & Hollis Dusa.

**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** our president, our nation, Brady & Sue Nichols (Pam Humphries’ parents), Bailey Turner (8-yr old from Ruby with cancer), Taylor Novinger (Dr. Novinger’s son), Betty Thrailkill (cancer— would appreciate visits and phone calls), Karlo Baker, Marvin Reynolds (Laura Harris’ father), Percy Walters’ Family (Charlotte Crosby’s brother-in-law), Pal Moore. **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

**SPECIAL SPEAKER** — Today we welcome to our pulpit Rev. Jim Arant of Lexington, South Carolina. Jim is serving as Guest Leader of our Consecration Sunday stewardship program.

Since 1989, Jim Arant has served as a fulltime staff member of the South Carolina Conference Council On Ministries (CCOM) – now known as Connectional Ministries. He is one of six Congregational Specialists deployed throughout the state to work alongside congregations as they develop and carry out their ministries. Jim is assigned to the Orangeburg and Greenwood districts. 178 United Methodist congregations are found in these two districts.

Jim is an ordained Deacon and Full Member of the South Carolina Conference. He has helped churches to develop their ministries in many areas, including evangelism, Christian Education, stewardship.

Jim’s wife is Rev. Ruth Arant who is also a Deacon in the SC Conference and serves as Director of Christian Education at Lexington UMC. The Arants have two children, a daughter Lindsay who is a school teacher in Lexington County and a son, Rev. Brian Arant, who is a pastor in the Spartanburg District.

**YOUTH SKI WEEKEND** — Our FUMC Youth Group will be attending INFUSE Ski Weekend at Lake Junaluska on February 1—3. On Saturday, youth will have an opportunity to hit the slopes, and each evening they will hear a phenomenal worship band and speaker! A deposit of \$50.00 is needed by November 26 for each youth and every chaperone that would like to attend. The total cost for skiers is \$179 and for those not skiing the total cost is \$126. Please call or text Dawn Leach at 910-3030 with questions. You can go to [www.myp.lakejunaluska.com](http://www.myp.lakejunaluska.com) for many of the details.

**FATZ CAFÉ MISSION FUNDRAISER** — The Missions Ministry Team will hold a fundraiser breakfast at Fatz Café on Saturday, December 1 from 8—10am. The breakfast consist of pancakes, bacon and drink; you may eat in or take out. Tickets are \$5.00 and can be purchased from any member of the Mission Ministry Team or at the church office.

**BIBLE STUDY ON THE PARABLES OF JESUS** — The church has begun a seven-week study series on the parables of Jesus. Paul Wood is teaching the classes on Wednesday nights at 6:30 in the fellowship hall. Parables are presented as video recreations. All adults and youth are welcome to take part.

**RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE** — Blood is needed everyday for surgeries, emergencies and those who are taking treatments for cancer and other diseases. You can help save a life by giving the gift of blood. First United Methodist will host a Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, November 20 from 2:00—7:00pm in the fellowship hall. What better time of the year to show how thankful we are for all we have by giving blood. You can sign up on the sheet on the table in the lobby, by going online to [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) (use sponsor code FUMCcheraw), or by calling the church office at 537-7002. Give the gift of life this Thanksgiving season.

**WEDNESDAY AT THE FIRST (WATF) MEAL** — No WATF activities this week.

**CHURCH OFFICERS LIST NOW AVAILABLE** — Our Charge Conference was held on September 30. Officers for 2013 were elected. You may pick up a copy of the Pastor’s Report and the new officers list in the hallway near the church office.

**GENESIS** — We hold contemporary worship once a month. It’s called Genesis, and Genesis is held in the fellowship hall at 8:45am. Our next Genesis will be Sunday, December 2 at 8:45am. Invite a friend to join you!

**SERVING TODAY**

**Head Usher:** Eric Dusa

**Lobby Door Greeters:** Jim Crawford, Rhett Butler

**Altar Guild:** Sara Sanderson & Charlotte Crosby

**Nursery:** Caroline Berry & Christy Ruffner

**Children’s Church:** Laura Harris

**Counters:** Jeff Johnson, Betty Hurst, Jerry Therrell

**Alternate Counters:** David McLean, Mary Burr

**Greeters:** M&M John Straughn

**Hostess:** Shep Straughn

**Acolyte:** Kathryn Johnson

**Cross Bearer:** Hannah Leach

**McArn Item:** Paper goods

**Flowers Next Sunday:** OPEN

**Next Week’s Lay Reader:** Ruth Middleton

Last Week’s Worship Service — 111; Worship Attendance in 2011 for the same Sunday — 186

**UNITED METHODIST STUDENT DAY OFFERING** — Meredith Leigh Paul is eager to help developmentally challenged children find their voice and communicate with others. She wants to give them what she has received from the **United Methodist Student Day offering**: the gift of hope.

“I want to work with children with special needs as a speech pathologist; that’s what is on my heart,” says the 20-year-old college student from Raleigh, N.C. She is a recipient of the Rev. Dr. Karen Layman Gift of Hope Scholarship, funded by the churchwide special offering.

The scholarship aids United Methodist students at accredited colleges who have shown leadership in their church. Indeed, they become gifts of hope for a denomination in dire need of more young leaders to chart its course into the future.

Paul studies speech pathology at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. When she was 15, she began helping children with special needs, working after school and during summers in local parks and recreation programs.

“I learned patience and endurance, how to encourage them and recognize progress,” she recalls. “The longer you work with these children, the stronger the emotional bond you build, and communication is a huge part of it.”

Paul has been a youth leader at Windborne United Methodist Church in Raleigh for several years. She says she feels “blessed and grateful” for her scholarship, especially when many other students have had to surrender their academic dreams because of rising costs and shrinking financial aid.

“It’s nice to know your church is there for you. It strengthens my faith.”

The United Methodist Student Day offering will be taken up next Sunday, November 25.

**COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE** — First United Methodist Church will host the Community Thanksgiving Service this afternoon at 6:00pm. The Cheraw Ministerial Alliance is sponsoring the service. The men’s chorus from Pee Dee Union Baptist Church will sing, and area clergy will lead the service. Rev. Redonia Thomas, pastor of the Cheraw Parish of the United Methodist Church, will preach. Jon Kroepel, our Director of Music, will assist with the music.