

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

### Sunday, January 20, 2013

8:45am Genesis (Fellowship Hall)  
10:00am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship Service  
3:00pm Confirmation Class (Kinsey Mulloy Classroom)  
5:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (Youth Hut)  
5:30pm Staff Parish Relations Committee Meeting (Choir Room)  
7:00pm Praise Singers Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

### Monday, January 21, 2013

6:00pm Boy Scout Meeting  
*Office Closed MLK Holiday*

### Tuesday, January 22, 2013

5:15pm Missions Ministry Team Meeting (Fellowship Hall)  
5:30pm Evangelism Ministry Team Meeting (Choir Room)  
7:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

### Wednesday, January 23, 2013

5:30pm WATF Meal  
6:30pm Adult Bible Study  
6:30pm Children's Ministries (K—5th Grade)  
7:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
*January 27 Bulletin Deadline*

### Thursday, January 24, 2013

*February 1 Newsletter Deadline*

### Sunday, January 27, 2013

9:00am Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)  
10:00am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship Service  
12:15pm Staff Parish Relations Committee / DS Meeting  
3:00pm Confirmation Class (Kinsey Mulloy Classroom)  
5:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (Youth Hut)  
5:30pm Finance Committee Meeting (Fellowship Hall)  
7:00pm Church Council Meeting (Fellowship Hall)  
7:00pm Praise Singers Rehearsal (Choir Room)

#### FUMC STAFF

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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.

**January 20, 2013**  
**Human Relations Sunday**

#### Prelude

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

#### \*Ritual of Friendship

#### Introit

**“We will Walk with God”**

#### Call to Worship

#### \*Hymn No. 192 in the Hymnal

**“There’s a Spirit in the Air”**

Orientis Partibus

#### Unison Prayer for January

Shannon Johnson, Lay Reader

Blessed creator, you are the God of the second chance, the new opportunity, the fresh start. In you your creation finds renewal and refreshment. Through Christ we your people are made into a community of forgiveness, unity and peace. Through the Holy Spirit, you send fresh winds of healing and hope. Help us, grace-filled God, to cast aside ancient hurts, old animosities, stale traditions and hurtful habits. Renew us with your life-giving Spirit. We give you thanks for your constant life-giving presence made real in this new day and this New Year. In Christ we pray. Amen.

#### Silent Prayer and Words of Assurance

#### Mini Sermon

Rev. Paul Wood

#### Foundational Scripture Passage (in unison) Jeremiah 29: 11 — 13

Lay Reader

“I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord; they are plans for peace, not disaster, to give you a future filled with hope. When you call me and come and pray to me, I will listen to you. When you search for me, yes, search for me with all your heart, you will find me.”

#### First Epistle Lesson

**Colossians 3: 12 — 17**

Lay Reader

#### \*Affirmation No. 881 in the Hymnal

**The Apostles’ Creed**

Lay Reader

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

Meineke

**Second Epistle Lesson****Philippians 4: 8 — 9**

Rev. Wood

**Sermon****“New Growth in a New Year”**  
(Sermons for a New Year, Fourth in the Series)

Rev. Wood

**Pastoral Prayer****\*Hymn No. 502 in the Hymnal**      **“Thy Holy Wings, O Savior”**      Bred Dina Vida Vingar  
*During the singing of this hymn, the altar is open for those who wish to come for prayer and dedication.***Presentation of Tithes and Other Offerings****Choral Anthem****“With a Voice of Singing”**

Shaw

**\*Doxology No. 95**      **“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”**      Old 100th**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Prayer****\*Hymn No. 575 in the Hymnal**      **“Onward, Christian Soldiers”**      St. Gertrude**\*Dismissal with Blessing****\*Postlude****\*Indicates where you should stand if you are able.****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.

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the Glory of God.

**OUR PRAYER LIST** our President, our nation, Brady & Sue Nichols (Pam Humphries’ parents), Bailey Turner (9-yr-old from Ruby with cancer), Taylor Novinger (Dr. Novinger’s son), Betty Thrailkill (cancer—appreciates visits and phone calls), Pal & John Moore, Lois Baker, Shirley Walton, Allison Gainey (Debbie Adams’ friend), Evelyn Middleton (Kim Williamson’s friend), Karen Hunt Carpenter (Beth Barber’s friend), Randy Pearson (Beth Barber’s friend), Buddy McLean (Parent of child in FUMC Pre-school). **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.****OFFICE CLOSED** — The church office will be closed on Monday, January 21 for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday.**CHURCH COUNCIL** — Church Council members are reminded that reports for the upcoming meeting are due in the office by Wednesday, January 23.**LENT SEASON** — Friends, Easter will come early this year, March 31 to be exact. That means that the special church of Lent will begin soon. Let me suggest that you begin now to consider how you might make Lent a season of spiritual formation for yourself. This may mean “giving up” something such as certain foods or “taking up” something such as a new form of service or devotion. Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. This year it falls on February 13.**FLOWER CHART** — The flower chart for this year is up in the hallway by the sanctuary. If you would like to sign up for a particular Sunday, please contact Sarah M. Therrell at 537-3395 or the church office at 537-7002.**BRASS BIBLE STAND** — The Worship Ministry Team is unable to locate the brass Bible stand. Anyone who might have moved it is asked to return it to the church office. Thank you.**CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS** — The Contribution statements for 2012 have been sent by email to those having email, and by regular mail to those not having email. Please contact Angie if there are any corrections or if you did not receive your statement.**2013 TRUSTEE COMMITTEE** — Elected Harold Lomas as Chairperson; Jim Crawford as Vice-Chairperson; Cheryl Postlewait as Recording Secretary. Other Trustees are Jean McLean, Martha Starling, Jackie McGee, Jeff Johnson, Dallas Keefe and Scott Tomberlin.**CHURCH AND PRESCHOOL PHONE SYSTEM** — The system board has gone out on the phone system for the church and preschool. The Trustees have ordered a new phone system to be installed. Until the installation is complete, the only phone that we have working at the church and preschool is a cordless phone. If you call and don’t get an answer, leave a message and we will call you back.**PICTORIAL DIRECTORY** — The final copy of the FUMC pictorial directory has been edited and sent back to the publisher. We hope to receive bound copies by the end of January. Those who had portraits taken will receive a free directory. This applies whether or not the portraits were purchased. In addition, we have ordered a limited number of unreserved copies for anyone wanting to purchase a directory at \$10.00 each. Please contact Angie if you wish to reserve a copy to purchase.**SOUPER BOWL OF CARING** — The Souper Bowl of Caring is an offering taken up in places of worship around the country at the time of the Super Bowl. Proceeds are distributed to the local charities chosen by the youth groups who receive the offering. The youth of First UMC will receive the Souper Bowl of Caring offering next Sunday, January 27, the week before the Super Bowl. Please be generous.**“OPENING OURSELVES TO GRACE: BASIC CHRISTIAN PRACTICES”** — Adults and youth are invited to the Wednesday night Bible study, 6:30 until 7:25, each Wednesday in the fellowship hall. Paul Wood is presenting a six-week series on grace and the practical ways we Christians can make ourselves open to God’s grace. Bring a Bible.**NEXT WEEK’S SERMON** — Pastor Paul’s sermon series “Sermons for a New Year” will conclude next Sunday. The topic for January 27 will be “New Purpose for a New Year.” Paul suggests that everyone read John 21: 15 – 19 to prepare for the sermon.**NOTE FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE** — The Trustees have quotes for painting four Sunday School classrooms and two hallways, including the fellowship hall entrance. Funds for this project are not included in the 2013 Trustees budget nor the 2013 general church budget. The Trustees need contributions from Sunday School classes and FUMC members to move forward. With sufficient help this project could be expanded to included the fellowship hall and kitchen.— *Robert Calhoun, Finance Committee Chairperson*

**CONFIRMATION CLASS** — Our 2013 Confirmation Class has started and is led by Paul and Kay Wood. Please keep in our prayers this year’s confirmands: Emily Berry, Alayna Carabo, Mary Charlotte Dusa, Kaitlyn Freeman, Lydia Lee, Jacob Rohde, Katie Tarleton, and Rebekah Williams.

**WEDNESDAY AT THE FIRST (WATF) MEAL** — The meal begins at 5:30pm and is cooked by Carolyn Gary; the cost is \$7.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12 years old (Maximum \$21.00 for a household). Sign up on the worship attendance sheet, or call the church office (537-7002) and ask that your name be added to the list of “regulars”. Reservations must be in to the church office no later than 3:00pm on Monday.

5:30— Meal; 6:30—7:30 — Children’s Ministries hour (K—5th grade); 6:30—7:30 — Adult Bible Study; No Youth Activities on Wednesday.

**MENU**— *(January 23) BBQ, sweet potatoes, cole slaw, cornbread, dessert and tea.*

**SERVING TODAY**

**Head Usher:** Anthony Harris

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

**Altar Guild:** Sarah M. Therrell & Shirley Walton

**Nursery:** Caroline Berry & Stephanie Williams

**Children’s Church:** Jennifer Tomberlin

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

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

**Greeter:** Grayson Watson

**Hostess:** Kelly Dusa

**Acolyte:** Benson Stubbs

**Cross Bearer:** Sullivan Chapman

**McArn Item:** Baby items

**Flowers Next Sunday:** OPEN

**Next Week’s Lay Reader:** Susan Marsh

Last Week’s Worship Service Attendance — 131; Worship Attendance in 2012 for the same Sunday — 172