

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, March 10, 2013

8:45am United Methodist Men Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
 9:45am Coffee and Donuts Fellowship
 10:00am Sunday School
 11:00am Worship Service
 5:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (Youth Hut)
 7:00pm Taizè Worship Service

Monday, March 11, 2013

2-7:00pm Blood Drive (Fellowship Hall)
 3:30pm Community Greeters Meeting (Kinsey Mulloy Classroom)

Tuesday, March 12, 2013

10:00pm United Methodist Women Circle #1 (Parlor)
 7:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)
 7:00pm United Methodist Women Circle #3 (Home of Jane Mayhew)

Wednesday, March 13, 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)
Sunday, March 17 Bulletin Deadline

Friday, March 15, 2013

1:00pm Winter Jam (Columbia)
Bus Reserved

Sunday, March 17, 2013

8:45am Genesis (Fellowship Hall)
 9:45am Coffee and Donuts Fellowship
 10:00am Sunday School
 11:00am Worship Service
 11:00am Salkehatchie Spaghetti Lunch for those attending Genesis
 12:00pm Salkehatchie Spaghetti Lunch for those attending Traditional Service
 4:00pm Confirmation Class (Kinsey Mulloy Classroom)
 5:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (Youth Hut)
 7:00pm Taizè Worship Service

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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.

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**Forth Sunday in Lent
 One Great Hour of Sharing**

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. 89 in the hymnal "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"** Hymn to Joy

Unison Prayer of Confession Joey Mills, Lay Reader

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! Lord hear my voice! Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications! If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But there is forgiveness with you, that you may be worshiped. I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, in the Lord's word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning. O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, with the Lord is plenteous redemption. And the Lord will redeem Israel from all iniquities. Amen.

Silent Prayer and Words of Assurance

Mini Sermon Lib Norton

***Psalter Lesson, No. 766 in the Hymnal Psalm 32** Rev. David Townsend

***Affirmation No. 881 in the Hymnal The Apostles' Creed** Rev. Townsend

Epistle Lesson Romans 5: 1 — 8 Rev. Townsend

***Gospel Lesson Matthew 13: 18 — 23** Rev. Townsend

Sermon "The Faith Journey" Rev. Townsend

Pastoral Prayer

***Hymn No. 344 in the Hymnal “Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore”** Prscador De Hombres

Presentation of Tithes and Other Offerings

Choral Anthem “God So Loved the World” John Stainer

***Doxology No. 95** “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” Old 100th

***Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Prayer**

***Hymn No. 711 in the Hymnal** “For All the Saints” Sine Nomine

***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.

OUR PRAYER LIST our President, all who defend our nation, Brady & Sue Nichols (Pam Humphries’ parents), Bailey Turner (9-yr-old from Ruby with cancer), Betty Thraikill (cancer—appreciates visits and phone calls), Pal & John Moore, Shirley Walton, Eddie Stubbs, Pete Owens, Dick Griggs, Susan Allen. **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

J.O.Y CLUB — Will meet on Thursday, March 21 at 12:00pm, in the fellowship hall. This will be a catered meal and the cost will be \$7.00 per person. Please make reservation by letting your caller or Mary Burr (537-3920) know by Monday, March 18.

EASTER EGG HUNT — There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for children through 5th grade on Saturday, March 30 at 10:00am. If you would like to donate items for this event, please drop them off at the church office; items needed are candy, drink boxes, and lots of plastic eggs.

NEWSLETTER CORRECTION — The “Serving in March” page of the March 1 newsletter that was mailed out this past week was incorrect. Corrected copies have been made and are available in the narthex and the lobby.

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR — Friends, Eight young people and five adults are at “Confirm ‘13” this weekend at Lake Junaluska, NC. Our confirmands will be with 200 other young people from around the Southeast as part of their preparations for confirmation later this spring. I appreciate Rev. David Townsend and his willingness to preach in my absence. I appreciate Lib Norton as well. She is one of our Certified Lay Speakers. Our group will return late this afternoon, the 10th of March. – *Paul Wood*

GENESIS SERVICE DONATIONS — When a church embarks on starting a contemporary service, many times persons are unaware of the costs it takes to make a contemporary service successful. Music Licenses need to be purchased, equipment needs to be maintained, and appropriate advertising funding is required too. The goal this year is to raise \$700.00 to help offset the cost of this service. Through the memorial funds of Elaine Motley, we were able to procure new microphones, music stands, and other supplies for our Praise and Worship Team, as well as a MediaShout program that enables us to prepare multimedia worship presentations with minimal effort. If you feel led to give, please give your gift to Angie and designate it to the Genesis Service. — *Jon Kroepel*

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY TO BEGIN — A new Women’s Bible Study has begun on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm in the Pairs and Spares Sunday School Classroom. If you are interested in being a part of this study you will need to purchase your own book, “Choose Joy” by Kay Warren. This will be a twelve-week study.

WEDNESDAY AT THE FIRST BIBLE STUDY — The story of the suffering and death of Jesus is at the heart of the gospel message. It concludes all four of the gospels. Each Wednesday between now and Easter, Paul Wood is looking at each gospel’s account of the passion of Jesus. This week’s lesson is taken from Matthew 26 & 27.

DOORS AND SECURITY — From time to time in recent weeks staff members have found an exterior door to be unlocked. Let us not take for granted the safety of the children and staff of our pre-school as well as everyone’s security. Seven days a week, all church members are asked to be conscious of the doors and their locks.

BLOOD DRIVE IN HONOR OF MR. PETE OWENS AND MR. DICK GRIGGS — FUMC will host a blood drive on Monday, **March 11 from 2:00pm—7:00pm** in the fellowship hall. The American Red Cross currently has an urgent need for types O negative and B negative blood donations; however, all blood types are needed. To schedule a donation time, please sign up on the sheet by the office door in the lobby, or you may contact Angie at 537-7002, or go to www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code FUMCcheraw. All donors will be entered to win a \$1,000 gift card. Please sign up to give the gift of life, and honor Mr. Pete Owens and Mr. Dick Griggs in doing so.

JOB OPENING — The Staff-Parish Relations Committee has renewed its efforts to locate a Director of Youth and Children’s Ministries. The following ad will run in a variety of publications over the next few weeks. Members of the congregation are encouraged to speak with friends and acquaintances who might wish to apply for the staff position. **First United Methodist Church, Cheraw, SC, is seeking a fulltime Director of Youth and Children’s Ministries. In cooperation with active adults, this staff member will plan and manage the congregation’s ministries with youth and children. Send your resume to sprc@fumccheraw.net or to First UMC, Attn: Mrs. Lib Norton, 117 Third St., Cheraw, SC 29520.**

LENTEN OFFERING BOXES ARE AVAILABLE — Lenten Offering Boxes are available now in Sunday School rooms and the church office. Everyone is encouraged to put your spare change into your box and to bring your box back to the church on Easter Sunday. The proceeds will be used for missions. (The winning class in our Sunday School Attendance Campaign will choose the mission project.)

SALKEHATCHIE SUMMER SERVICE — The Salkehatchie Summer Service servants will be offering a delicious **spaghetti lunch** after worship **next Sunday**. The meal will include homemade spaghetti, salad, bread, drink and homemade desserts. Since Genesis will also be held, we will offer lunch at 11:00 for those who do not wish to stay for the traditional worship service at 11:00. Lunch will be served again at noon for those who do attend the 11:00 worship service. All donations for your meal will be used to support the two Salkehatchie summer missions groups representing our church this summer. Please make your plans now to attend and show your support. We look forward to serving you on March 17!

OUR LENTEN SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE EMPHASIS — is underway. If you are a regular in one of our adult classes, this is a great time to invite friends who are Sunday School drop-outs or who don't have a church home. Invite them to join you in Sunday School. The Evangelism Ministry Team is posting the attendance numbers for each adult class. The signs are outside of the church office.

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LENTEN LUNCHEONS — The Cheraw Ministerial Alliance is sponsoring Lenten luncheons at noon each Wednesday. Each luncheon includes a devotional message by an area pastor and concludes no later than 1:00. First Baptist hosts each luncheon, and they will continue each Wednesday through March 20. Bringing the meditation on March 13 will be Rev. Johnny McCledon, Fisher Hill Community Baptist Church.

PICTORIAL DIRECTORY — The pictorial directories have arrived. If you had your picture taken for the directory, you will receive a free copy; if not, you can purchase a copy for \$10.00. You can pick up your copy from the church office during the week.

TAIZÈ WORSHIP TONIGHT AT 7:00PM — Taizè worship got its start in a village in France in the mid-twentieth century. This rich style of worship has made its way to Cheraw and First United Methodist Church. On Sundays now through March 17, (7:00 until 7:45 p.m.) we are offering Taizè worship in our sanctuary. Taizè (pronounced tuh-zay) worship is very simple. Easy-to-sing songs are sung repetitively. There are short prayers and scripture readings and periods of silence. The Worship Ministry Team is offerings the services, and Director of Music Jon Kroepel and the Rev. Kay Wood are laying the plans.

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.

ORGAN CONCERT— You are invited to hear Marilyn Keiser this afternoon at 3:00pm at First Presbyterian Church.

RELAY FOR LIFE STEAK DINNER — First Presbyterian Church of Cheraw extends a warm welcome to local church members to participate and enjoy a fun evening and great steak dinner, while donating to cancer research via Relay for Life efforts. The third annual dinner will be held on Thursday, March 14 at 6:30pm and will feature speaker Coach David Bennett (former Cheravian) and be honoring sports greats: Coach Bill Eutsler and Red Sox Pitcher Tom Brewer. Tickets are \$50 each with all but food cost going to cancer research. Call Carolyn at First Presbyterian Church office and make your reservation and arrange to complete it with payment. Space is limited to the first 120 and has sold out in the past.

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—*March 13 — Ziti, salad, garlic bread, dessert and tea.*



SALKEHATCHIE SUMMER SERVICE — Approximately 20-25 youth and adults will be participating in Salkehatchie Summer Service over a two-week period this summer. We are planning several events to help raise awareness and money for these missions.

*To start, we would like to ask for water donations to begin now. You may leave your donations in the church office and we will arrange them into a nice display. (We are not taking Gatorade drinks for now. We will let you know when the decision on that is made.)

*Spaghetti lunch after worship on **March 17 served at 11:00 and 12:00.**

*A car wash is being planned for April/May.

*A pancake breakfast at **FATZ's** will be held **May 18** with all proceeds going to Salkehatchie.

Some of the money raised will be used to purchase power tools that the camp will need this year. (We will bring them home with us.) Some of the folks who usually go to Pendleton will not be going this year. They will be helping to get a camp started in Wyoming. They are the ones who always bring the power tools. If you have extra power tools that you are not using or no longer need, we would love to help you clean out your tool shed!! Just give us a call and we will gladly pick them up.

Most of all, please begin praying now for the camps, the participants, and the home owners who will be served.

If you have any questions or ideas, please contact Debbie Adams at 623-4153 or Jake Keefe at 843-601-2870.



SERVING TODAY

Head Usher: Theodore Burns

Lobby Door Greeters: Manfred Kollitz, Joey Mills

Altar Guild: Bonnie Cundiff and Ruth Ann Jones

Nursery: Henrietta Kollitz

Children's Church: Doug Carabo and Benson Stubbs

Counters: Jim Crawford, Sammy Quick, Donald Baker

Alternate Counters: John Straughn, Zenda Rushing

Greeter: Carole Hennessee

Hostess: Lib Norton

Acolyte: Sarah Allen

Cross Bearer:

McArn Item: Canned milk

Flowers Next Sunday: Debbie Adams

Next Week's Lay Reader: Jensen Tomberlin

Last Week's Worship Attendance — 124; Worship Attendance in 2012 for the same Sunday — 168;