#### **UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC**

## 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 Taizé Worship Service

## Monday, March 18, 2013

6:00pm Boy Scout Meeting (Scout Hut)

6:00pm Pre-School Board Meeting (Kinsey Mulloy Classroom)

## Tuesday, March 19, 2013

7:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

## Wednesday, March 20, 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 24 Bulletin Deadline

## Thursday, March 21, 2013

12:00pm J.O.Y. Club (Fellowship Hall)

April 1 Newsletter Deadline

## Sunday, March 24, 2013

8:45am Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

9:45am Coffee and Donuts Fellowship

10:00am Sunday School

11:00am Worship Service

5:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (Youth Hut)

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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.

# March 17, 2013 Fourth Sunday in Lent United Methodist Camps and Retreats Sunday

Prelude "Praeludium in d minor"

D. Buxtehude

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

\*Ritual of Friendship

Call to Worship

\*Hymn No. 572 in the Hymnal

"Pass It On"

Pass It On

(In honor of United Methodist Camps and Retreats Sunday)

## **Prayer of Confession**

Jensen Tomberlin, Lay Reader

Have mercy upon us, O God, according to your lovingkindness. According to the multitude of your tender mercies, blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities, and cleanse us from our sins. For we acknowledge our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew a right spirit within us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Silent Prayer and Words of Assurance**

Mini Sermon Rev. Paul Wood

\*Gospel Lesson John 7: 53 – 8:11 Lay Reader

\*Responsive Psalter Reading, No. 785 in the Hymnal

Psalm 51 With Sung Response 2

Rev. Wood

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

Lay Reader

\*Hymn No. 2013 in *The Faith We Sing* "Bless the Lord, My Soul"

Bless the Lord

Rev. Wood

Sermon "Renewal Starts with Confession"

**Pastoral Prayer** 

\*Hymn No. 2162 in *The Faith We Sing* "Grace Alone" Grace Alone

## **Presentation of Tithes and Other Offerings**

Choral Anthem "Loving Shepherd of thy Sheep"

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

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn No. 2164 in *The Faith We Sing* "Sanctuary" Sanctuary

\*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 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), John Moore, Shirley Walton, Eddie Stubbs, Pete Owens, Dick Griggs, Susan Allen, John Adams (child in pre-school's grandfather). **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.** 

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the glory of God and in honor of the 34th wedding anniversary of George and Debbie Adams.

**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.

**ATTENTION MERCILESS METHODISTS** — We show no mercy against cancer!!! The 2013 Relay for Life of Chesterfield County is Friday, May 3 at Chesterfield High School Football Stadium; the goal for Chesterfield County is \$175,000. What's your life worth? How can you help? 1) We need bottled water and cans of soft drinks; you may drop them off at the church office but mark for **RELAY**. 2) We need slaw, chili, and chopped onions for Friday, May 3 — advise Jim Bennett if you can furnish any of these items. 3) We need you to buy **lots** of luminaries in honor or memory of someone you love.

## **EASTER SCHEDULE**

Sunrise Worship in front of the sanctuary
Sunday School
Celebration of the Resurrection
6:30 am
10:00 am
11:00 am

**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. Please mark these items **EASTER EGG HUNT**.

**COPIER AVAILBABLE** — A copier has been purchased and placed in the office of the Director of Music for use on Sunday mornings by Sunday School teachers and others needing to make copies.

**SPRING BBQ** — The Spring BBQ will be held on Saturday, April 6 from 11:00am until 2:00pm. Tickets are available at the church office or from various church members.

**INVITATION TO SPECIAL SERVICES THIS WEEK** — The Cheraw Ministerial Alliance invites us to two special events this week:

- \* The Alliance is sponsoring a series of Lenten Lunches at First Baptist Church each Wednesday in Lent at twelve noon. The final luncheon in the series is March 20. Rev. Paul Wood will bring the message, and members of our UMW will serve a soup and sandwich lunch.
- \* Also, the Alliance invites everyone in the area to a Community Palm Sunday Service at Fisher Hill Community Baptist Church. It's at 6:00 next Sunday. Rev. Kay Wood is planning the service which will include many members of First UMC.

**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 been started on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm in the Pairs and Spares 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 is a twelve-week study.

WEDNESDAY AT THE FIRST BIBLE STUDY: IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL AT 6:30PM — The story of the suffering and death of Jesus is at the heart of the gospel message. It concludes all four of the gospels. During March, Paul Wood is walking the class through the four gospels' accounts of the passion of Jesus. The lesson for March 20 is on Luke 22 and 23. The lesson for March 27 is on John 12 through 19. We will not hold Wednesday At the First on April 3. A study of the United Methodist Social Principles begins April 10. Watch the bulletin and "The Connection" for more details.

**DOORS AND SECURITY** — It's important to keep our outside church doors locked at all times, especially when children are in the building. Seven days a week we are asked to be conscious of doors and their locks.

**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 resumé to sprc@fumccheraw.net or to First UMC, Attn: Mrs. Lib Norton, 117 Third St., Cheraw, SC 29520.

**LENTEN OFFERING BOXES** — Lenten Offering Boxes are available in Sunday School rooms and the church lobby. You are encouraged to take home a box and use it as a bank for your spare change. Then on Easter morning take the box back to the church. The proceeds will be used for missions.

SALKEHATCHIE SUMMER SERVICE SPAGHETTI LUNCH FUNDRAISER TODAY — The Salkehatchie Summer Service servants will be offering a delicious **spaghetti lunch** after worship **today**. The meal will include homemade spaghetti, salad, bread, drink and homemade desserts. We encourage you to stay and have lunch with us.

**NEW HOPE SALKEHATCHIE FUNDRAISER** — at Zoar UMC on Friday, March22 from 6:00pm until. There will be a spaghetti meal (donations will be accepted) and a baked-goods auction will follow.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ROCKS! — We are holding an attendance emphasis for Sunday School. 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. Offer to pick them up and take them to Sunday School! Some people think Sunday School is for kids. Tell them that at any age Sunday School rocks!

**CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP** — Genesis, our monthly contemporary worship service, is held the third Sunday of each month at 8:45 in the fellowship hall. The March service was held this morning. The next Genesis will be held April 21.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS UPDATE** — Friends, the Confirmation Class and five adults, including Yours Truly, had a great experience at "Confirm 13" last weekend at Lake Junaluska. The leaders were excellent, and our eight confirmands learned a great deal about the faith and our life together as United Methodists. Thanks for your prayers and support! – Paul Wood

FINAL TAIZÉ WORSHIP TONIGHT AT 7:00PM — Our final Taizé worship service is set for tonight at 7:00 in the choir room. Taizé worship is very simple. It is marked by easy-to-sing songs which are sung repetitively and periods of silent prayer and reflection. The service will run about forty-five minutes.

**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.

**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 20 — Corn beef, cabbage, Irish soda 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.)



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

\*Spaghetti lunch after worship on **TODAY served at 11:00 and 12:00**.



\*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





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:** Jim Crawford and Rhett Butler **Altar Guild:** Bonnie Cundiff and Ruth Ann Jones **Nursery:** Caroline Berry and Caroline Crouse

will gladly pick them up.

Children's Church: Dee Dee Pickrel and Austin Sanderson **Counters:** Jeff Johnson, Betty Hurst, Jerry Therrell

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

**Greeters:** M&M Harold Lomas

**Hostess:** Lib Norton Acolyte: Sarah Allen

**Cross Bearer:** 

**McArn Item:** Canned meats Flowers Next Sunday: Palms

Next Week's Lay Reader: Bonnie Cundiff

Last Week's Worship Attendance — 112; Worship Attendance in 2012 for the same Sunday — 135;