

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, March 24, 2013

9:00am Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
 9:45am Coffee and Donuts Fellowship
 10:00am Sunday School
 11:00am Worship Service

Monday, March 25, 2013

3:30pm Community Greeters Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
 6:00pm Boy Scout Meeting (Scout Hut)

Tuesday, March 26, 2013

7:00pm Praise Band Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, March 27, 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 31 Bulletin Deadline

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6:30am Easter Sunrise Service
 9:00am Adult Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
 9:45am Coffee and Donuts Fellowship
 10:00am Sunday School
 11:00am Worship Service

EASTER SCHEDULE

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

SERVING TODAY

Head Usher: Theodore Burns	Greeter: Linda Smith
Lobby Door Greeters: Herbert Watts	Hostess: Lib Norton
Altar Guild: Bonnie Cundiff and Ruth Ann Jones	Acolyte: Sarah Allen
Nursery: Caroline Berry and Sally Smith	McArn Item: Baby food and items
Counters: Robert Calhoun, Herbert Watts, Brenda Rayfield	Flowers Next Sunday: Lilies
Alternate Counter: Doug Marsh	Next Week's Lay Reader: Micki Lockey

Genesis Attendance — 70; Regular Worship Service Attendance Last Week — 111;
 Total of both services — 181
 Genesis Attendance in 2012 — 44; Regular Worship Attendance in 2012 for the same Sunday — 127;
 Total of both services in 2012 — 171

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.

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Palm Sunday

Prelude "Fanfare" Cook

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

Choral Anthem "Antiphonal Anthem" G. Alan Smith

Unison Prayer of Praise Rev. Paul Wood, Jr.

The great entrance is prepared. In the olive grove, leaves are still and the wind is hushed. In reverence they welcome the Messiah. Silently he rides the beast of burden and peace into Jerusalem. As he draws near, the silence melts into joyful clamor. This is he who has made the blind see, the lame walk, the dead live. The Messiah is in our midst! With the joyful throng and the joyful earth let us praise Christ our King! Amen.

The Palm Sunday Entrance **Luke 19: 28 — 40** Rev. Wood

***Processional Hymn No. 277 in the Hymnal "Tell Me the Stories of Jesus"** Stories of Jesus

Special Music "March on Little Donkey" Children's Choir

***Psalter Lesson** **Psalm 110** Bonnie Cundiff, Lay Reader

***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

Epistle Lesson **Hebrews 5: 5 — 10** Rev. Wood

Sermon "Even Though He Was God's Son" Rev. Wood

Pastoral Prayer

***Hymn See Insert** "Love, Mercy And Grace" C. Austin Miles

Presentation of Tithes and Other Offerings

Offertory	“A Lenten prelude for Flute and Organ” <i>Megan Goodwin, Flute</i>	
*Doxology No. 95	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”	Old 100th
*Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord’s Prayer		
*Hymn No. 504 in the Hymnal	“The Old Rugged Cross”	The Old Rugged Cross
Handbell Choir	“O Sacred Head, Now Wounded”	Arr. J.S. Bach
*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), Sue McManus, Levi Perry. **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

THANK YOU — Many, many thanks to everyone who supported the spaghetti lunch fundraiser for Salkehatchie Summer Service. A grand total of \$838.00 was donated toward this worthy cause and will be used to show God’s love to others as we serve them this summer. Please continue to pray for the camps, those whose homes will be worked on, and for the campers. Thank you so very much, *Salkehatchie Participants*

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 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 AVAILABLE — 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.

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.

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.

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 next Genesis will be held April 21.

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 house- hold). 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 27 — Pork tenderloin, mashed potatoes, butter beans, fat back, rolls, dessert and tea.