

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

**Sunday, September 1, 2013**

8:30am Adult Choir Practice (Choir Room)  
10:00am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship Service

**Monday, September 2, 2013**

*Office Closed for Labor Day Holiday*

**Tuesday, September 3, 2013**

6:30pm United Methodist Women Quarterly Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

**Wednesday, September 4, 2013**

*September 8 Bulletin Deadline at 12 noon*

**Sunday, September 8, 2013**

8:30am United Methodist Men's Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)  
10:00am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship Service  
5-7:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF) (Youth Hut)  
7:00pm Praise Singers Rehearsal (Fellowship Hall)

**SERVING TODAY**

<b>Greeter:</b> Druie Walker	<b>Head Usher:</b> Todd Becker
<b>Lobby Door Greeters:</b> Robert Calhoun, Theodore Burns	<b>Hostess:</b> Jackie McGee
<b>Altar Guild:</b> Marianne Crawford, Janice Moore	<b>Acolyte:</b> Tony Harris
<b>Nursery:</b> Caroline Berry and Greer Eddins	<b>Cross Bearer:</b> Kathryn Johnson
<b>Flowers Next Sunday:</b> Vera Meadows	<b>McArn Item:</b> Canned vegetables
<b>Children's Church:</b> Dee Dee Pickrel, Mason Tomberlin	<b>Next Week's Lay Reader:</b> Lib Norton
<b>Counters:</b> Jackie McGee, Jane Mayhew	
<b>Alternate Counters:</b> Walter Crosby, John Moore	

Worship Attendance, Sunday, August 25 — 162  
Attendance the same Sunday last year—163 (Genesis Service included in this figure)

**FUMC STAFF**

Rev. Dr. Kurt McPherson., Pastor ([pastor@fumccheraw.net](mailto:pastor@fumccheraw.net))  
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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.



**September 1, 2013**  
**15th Sunday after Pentecost**

**PRELUDE**

**GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Dr. McPherson

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

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**Psalm 81: 1**

Dr. McPherson

Sing aloud to God our strength;  
**Shout for joy to the God of Jacob.**

**OPENING PRAYER**

Dr. McPherson

**\*HYMN NO. 57 IN THE HYMNAL "O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing"**

Azmon

**\*GOSPEL READING**

**Luke 14: 1, 7—14**

Chuck Barber, Lay Reader

**CHILDREN'S SERMON**

Dr. McPherson

**\*HYMN NO. 2130 IN THE FAITH WE SING "The Summons"**

Kelvingrove

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH NO. 880 IN THE HYMNAL The Nicene Creed**

Dr. McPherson

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Dr. McPherson

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY "Communion Prelude for Flute and Organ"**

Charles Callahan

*Megan Goodwin, Flute*

**\*DOXOLOGY NO. 95 IN THE HYMNAL "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" Old 100th**

**PASTORAL AND LORD'S PRAYER**

Dr. McPherson

**NEW TESTAMENT READING**

**Hebrews 13: 1—8, 15—16**

Dr. McPherson

**SERMON**

**"Mutual Love"**

Dr. McPherson

**OBSERVANCE OF HOLY COMMUNION PAGE NO. 12 IN THE HYMNAL**

**\*HYMN NO. 557 IN THE HYMNAL “Blest Be the Tie That Binds”**

Dennis

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*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, J.T. Cutchin, Brady & Sue Nichols (Pam Humphries’ parents), Bailey Turner (9-yr-old from Ruby with cancer), Dick Griggs, Lynn Tweed, Mary Blanche Laney, Ed Bowers (Debbie Adam’s uncle), Amy Smith & baby Taylor Gunner (Sally Smith’s daughter-in-law and grandson), Tray Watson (Young man from Chesterfield that was badly burned), Catrenna Buffington, Jeff & Lauren Garton (Julia Jones’ friends). **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

**PASTOR’S INFORMATION** — If you need to get in contact with the pastor, you can call the parsonage at 537-3635, the church office 537-7002 or his cell phone 864-643-9968.

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN’S QUARTERLY MEETING** — The UMW quarterly meeting is on Tuesday, September 3, 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Everyone is asked to bring their favorite salad for supper. Our guest speaker will be Salena Smith, Deaconness, SC Conference of the United Methodist Church. Salena is from Sumter and is an employee of the Sumter Fire Department. She tells about how her work ties in with her Deaconness duties and how she is able to touch the lives of so many people in her ministry. She is a dynamic speaker and fun to be around! We will take up a love offering for Salena to assist her in her ministry. All women of the church are invited.

**ADDRESS** — If you would like to send a card to Catrenna while she is recovering at her daughter’s house, you may do so to the address below:

Catrenna Buffington  
320 Scarborough Lane  
Lexington, SC 29072

**PROMOTION SUNDAY AND BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS** — Promotion Sunday and the Blessing of the Backpacks will be held during the 11:00 service on Sunday, September 8. Students should bring their backpacks to the service.

**BLESSING OF THE HANDS** — As a means of showing our appreciation to those in our church who are active educators, the Christian Education Ministry Team will be sponsoring a Blessing of the Hands on Sunday, September 22 during the 11:00 service. If you are employed by any public or private school in Cheraw, please make plans to participate in this ceremony by sitting together at the front of the church. To show our appreciation of many years working in the Cheraw area schools, we would also like retired teachers in our congregation to sit together at the front of the church.

**J.O.Y. CLUB** — J.O.Y Club will meet on Thursday, September 19 at 12 noon in the fellowship hall. This will be a catered meal by Lobie Morgan and Renee Creech at a cost of \$7.00 per person. The hostesses are Gailya Wilson, Ruth Middleton and JoAnne Morgan. All seniors are invited to attend. Please sign up with your caller or call Mary Burr at 537-3920 by Monday, September 16. We look forward to seeing you and enjoying fun, fellowship and good food.

**COMPUTER HACKED** — My email was hacked a week ago and almost all of my email and cell phone information that I was storing in my contact list was deleted. If you have not sent me your email and cell phone information, please do so to my new email address [angiesmith@fumcheraw.net](mailto:angiesmith@fumcheraw.net). I am trying to reconstruct and put in this information again, on a more secure site (I hope). Thanks, Angie

**NEEDED** — First Methodist Pre-School and Nursery uses plastic grocery bags for putting soiled diapers and other dirty items in. As you get bags, would you please save them and bring them to the church to be used in the Pre-School and Nursery.

**FRAMED PICTURE MISSING** — An Old Testament framed map of Egypt is missing from the Kinsey Mulloy Bible Class. If you know where this map is, please notify the church office at 537-7002.

**RED BIRD MISSION TRIP** — This year’s Red Bird Mission Trip to Kentucky is scheduled for October 20—26. Your financial support as well as your prayers will be greatly appreciated.

**THE WALK TO EMMAUS** — *While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and walked with them.—Luke 24: 15*

The Men’s Walk to Emmaus will be held October 3—6. The Women’s Walk will be held October 17—20. If you are interested in becoming a participant, please contact either Mary Lou Long at 537-7949 or Micki Lockey at 537-4612.