

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, October 20, 2013

8:45am Genesis (Laney Landing, weather permitting)
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service
12:00pm Charge Conference
5-7:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF) (Youth Hut)

Monday, October 21, 2013

6:00pm Boy Scout Meeting (Scout Hut)

Tuesday, October 22, 2013

2-7:00pm Blood Drive (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, October 23, 2013

5:30pm Wednesday at the First (WATF) (Fellowship Hall)
October 27 Bulletin Deadline at 12 noon

Thursday, October 24, 2013

November 1 Newsletter Deadline

Saturday, October 26, 2013

8-10:00am Fatz Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, October 27, 2013

10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service
5-7:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF) (Youth Hut)

SERVING TODAY

Greeters: M&M David McLean
Lobby Door Greeters: John Sanderson, Harold Lomas
Altar Guild: Cindy Sanderson, Syble Sanderson
Nursery: Caroline Berry and Mason Tomberlin
Flowers Next Sunday: M&M Flo Outen
Children's Church: Kelly Dusa, Kathryn Johnson
Counters: Jeff Johnson, Betty Hurst, Jerry Therrell
Alternate Counters: David McLean, Walter Crosby

Head Usher: Scott Tomberlin
Hostess: Marianne Crawford
Acolyte: Alayna Carabo
Cross Bearer: Austin Sanderson
McArn Item: Paper products
Next Week's Lay Reader: Joey Mills

Worship Attendance, October 13 —113
Attendance the same Sunday last year—134

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.



October 20, 2013
22nd Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE "Great is Thy Faithfulness"

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 (See Words Printed in Bulletin) "Love Lifted Me"** Smith

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH NO. 885 IN THE HYMNAL**
A Modern Affirmation Shannon Johnson, Lay Reader

***GOSPEL READING** **Luke 18: 1— 8** Shannon Johnson, Lay Reader

CHILDREN'S SERMON Dr. McPherson

***HYMN NO. 98 IN THE HYMNAL "To God Be the Glory"** To God Be the Glory

OFFERTORY PRAYER Dr. McPherson

OFFERING "His Eye is on the Sparrow & I Know He Watches Me"

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

PRAYER OF CONFESSION
Almighty and merciful God, we know that when we offend another, we offend you. We are aware that we have often allowed the shadow of hate to cloud our souls, hiding the light from our unseeking eyes. We have said unpleasant and hurtful things to our brothers and sisters when they failed to live up to our expectations. Grant that we might find that spark of love that ever burns within us, the love that you have shown to us even when we failed you. Fan the embers of that love until it roars again in flames of love, peace, and reconcilia-

tion. Forgive us our sins and help us to forgive those who have sinned against us. Lead us into new life through your Son Jesus Christ, who died for the sins of all. Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

The Lord God is merciful and gracious, endlessly patient, loving, and true, showing mercy to thousands, forgiving iniquity, transgression, and sin, and granting pardon. Amen.

PASTORAL AND LORD'S PRAYER

Dr. McPherson

NEW TESTAMENT READING

2 Corinthians 9: 6 — 12

Dr. McPherson

SERMON

“Putting God First: Be Faithful, Save, and Give”

Dr. McPherson

*HYMN NO. 77 IN THE HYMNAL

“How Great Thou Art”

How Great Thou Art

During the hymn you are invited to come to the chancel rail, kneel, pray to God, then return to your pew when ready.

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

***Indicates where you should stand if you are able.**

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the Glory of God and in honor of our preachers, Kurt McPherson, Ed Davidson and David Townsend by Thomas and Sharon McKinnon.

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, Sue Nichols (Pam Humphries' mother), Bailey Turner (9-yr-old from Ruby with cancer), Dick Griggs family, Laura Stubbs family, Lynn Tweed, Mary Blanche Laney, Taylor Gunner Smith (Sally Smith's grandson), Jimmie Williamson, Lois Baker, Croswell Family, Chuck Michaux (Friend of Marsha Butler), Carly Jones (Pastor Toby Jones' daughter).

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.

CONSECRATION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 — Today, each member present at the 11am worship service will be provided a Giving Card on which they will summarize their commitment of support for this church in the coming year. Please complete the card and return it next week, just as generations of stewards have done who have occupied this sanctuary for the last 163 years.

BLOOD DRIVE — Tuesday, October 22 from 2—7pm in the fellowship hall. You can call Angie at 537-7002 or go online to www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code FUMCcheraw to make an appointment.

FOR SALE — FUMC has a digital piano for sale for \$500. If you are interested please contact the church office at 537-7002.

CHARGE CONFERENCE — Following the service today.

RED BIRD MISSION TRIP — Be in prayer for those who will be traveling and working at this mission.

WEDNESDAY AT THE FIRST (WATF) MEAL — The meal begins at 5:30pm and is cooked by Carolyn Gary; the cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 12 years old (Maximum \$21 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 the church office no later than 3pm on Monday.

MENU—Bake chicken, rice and gravy, string beans, rolls, dessert and tea.

LOVE LIFTED ME

I was sinking deep in sin, Far from the peaceful shore, Very deeply stained within, Sinking to rise no more; But the Master of the sea Heard my despairing cry, From the waters lifted me, Now safe and I.

CHORUS— Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me. Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.

All my heart to Him I give, Ever to Him I'll cling, In His blessed presence live, Ever His praises sing. Love so mighty and so true Merits my soul's best songs; Faithful, loving service, too, To Him belongs.

CHORUS— Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me. Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.

Souls in danger, look above, Jesus completely saves; He will lift you by His love Out of the angry waves. He's the Master of the sea, Billows His will obey; He your Savior wants to be — Be saved today.

CHORUS— Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me. Love lifted me! Love lifted me! When nothing else could help, Love lifted me.