



# THE CONNECTION

## Kurt's Corner

As we approach this Easter season, I wanted to share with you notes regarding the upcoming worship schedule:

We are planning on having two *Genesis* services in April: April 6 and April 27. These services begin at 8:45 a.m.

April 13 is Palm Sunday and we will have a palm processional in the 11:00 a.m. service which marks the start of Holy Week.

There will also be a Community Palm Sunday Service at Pee Dee Union Baptist Church at 6:00 p.m. on April 13.

We will not have any Wednesday at The

First events on Wednesday, April 16.

Thursday, April 17 we will have a Maundy Thursday Service at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

On Easter Sunday, April 20, we will have two services. Our sunrise service will be held at 6:30 a.m. on the church grounds. We will have our traditional service at 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary.

I hope that you will join us in worshiping our Risen Savior at First Church during this most important time of the year. May you sense the blessing of God's presence at these services and be reassured that

our Redeemer lives!

In Christ,  
Kurt

*...join us in worshiping our Risen Savior at First Church during this most important time of the year.*

## Blood Drive Update

First United Methodist Church hosted a Red Cross Blood Drive on Monday, March 10. Twenty-one units of blood were collected to help save lives.

Thanks to all those that donated, you are a life saver. Our next blood drive is scheduled for Monday, May 19 from 2—7pm.



### Our Staff

Rev. Dr. Kurt McPherson, Pastor  
(kamcpherson@umcsc.org)

Jonathan E. Kroepel, Director of Music  
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Angie Smith, Administrative Assistant  
(angiesmith@fumcheraw.net)

Sara Sanderson, Director of Children and Youth  
(saralsanderson@hotmail.com)

### COMING UP

Community Palm Sunday Service,  
Sunday, April 13, 6:00pm  
at Pee Dee Union Baptist Church

Maundy Thursday Service,  
Thursday, April 17 at 7:00pm

Easter Sunrise Service,  
Sunday, April 20 at 6:30am

## Relay for Life

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We show no mercy against cancer!!! The 2014 Relay for Life of Chesterfield County is Friday, May 2 at Chesterfield High School Football Stadium; the goal for Chesterfield County is \$137,000. 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 2 — 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.



## From FUMC Pre-School and Nursery

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March started out with cold, cold weather, and the teachers were stuck inside with the children all day. Wow, it has been noisy at the school. Mr. Weatherman, send us some warmer days!!!

Our cookie dough fund raiser was a success. We sold over \$4000 worth of cookie dough. If you participated, a big thank you for helping us. The arrival date for all this dough is April 3.

We will be having spring pictures taken by Ms. Elaine Barnette the week of April 7—11. She will be taking family pictures in the evening. Call the school to make an appointment for your family. They will be beautiful, I promise. She is bringing baby bunnies again this year; and if the weather cooperates, we will take pictures outside.

The “Wizard of Oz” was a fun trip for the four year olds. We went to Chic-Fil-A for lunch, and they had so much fun playing on the playground. We went to the Theatre on the Green on March 19 to see “The Ugly Duckling”. This is always a wonderful outing for the children and parents.

The school had an ABC Audit on March 18 by DSS and got an excellent rating. Not only did we get praises for our audit, but the lady was impressed with our school and raved about how clean and colorful our school is.

The Leprechaun showed up in our four year old class in March. Seems like he likes to get into mischief, and left a mess in their

classroom. One of the children had a green mustache; he was so adorable!

Next month we are looking forward to a magic show and a trip to a farm!

A great big thank you for the wonderful service to honor Phyllis and the staff of First Methodist Pre-School. The covered dish meal was outstanding and we all enjoyed fellowship with FUMC. We are so fortunate to have such outstanding ladies serving at FMPSN.

In Christian Faith,

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## What Accounts can my Memorials be Put in?

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If you give memorials to FUMC you can designate that they go to a number of different areas of the church. Listed below are areas that your memorials can be designated for:

Memorial Fund  
Music Fund  
Red Bird  
Bus Fund  
Youth Ministries  
Children Ministries  
Contemporary Service Fund  
Building Upkeep Fund  
Parsonage Upkeep Fund

Wednesday at the First (WATF)  
Endowment Fund  
Relay for Life  
Grounds Upkeep Fund  
Pastor's Discretionary Fund  
Scholarships (Streete, Norton, Harris, Burr, Hook, Eutsler, Brasington and Laney)

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## One Million Books

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The Annual Conference is trying to collect one million NEW books for preschool through elementary age children. These books will be collected through the churches in the conference and taken to the Annual Conference in Florence

in June. These books will be given to children in poverty in our state that do not have any books of their own.

A box will be placed in the fellowship hall for placing your

book donations. Thanks for your support of this mission.

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## Pastor's Discretionary Fund

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Contributions are needed for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. Please share of your surplus with those who have precious little on which to live. (Write a check to FUMC and designate it or part of it for "Pastor's Discretionary Fund.")



*Giving to those less fortunate*

## Scouting at First Church

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### BOY SCOUT TROOP 655

Meets weekly on Monday evenings from 6:00 to 7:30pm at the Dan Stowe Scout Hut.

### CUB SCOUT TROOP 653

They have a number of Dens and Tiger Cubs. They meet on various

days of the week, at various times and at various locations.

Yours in SCOUTING,

*John Moore*

Charter Representative,  
Phone number 843-537-2553



*Become a Boy Scout*

## WATF Menus

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The Wednesday At The First (WATF) 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 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

the church office no later than 3pm on Monday.

### April 2

Ziti casserole, salad, bread, dessert and tea.

### April 9

Spaghetti, salad, bread, dessert and tea.

### April 16

No WATF

### April 23

Turkey wings, rice and gravy, black-eyed peas, biscuits, dessert and tea.

### April 30

Fried chicken, collards, rice and gravy, corn bread, dessert and tea.

*The cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children under 12 years old (Maximum \$21 for a household)*

## Remember our Homebound

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### CONVALESCENT CENTER

1150 State Road, Cheraw, SC

Eddie Stubbs, Frances Laney, Sis Funderburk

### CHERAW HEALTHCARE

400 Moffatt Road, Cheraw, SC

Sara Cook

### AGAPE SENIOR

1785 Lexington Commons Dr.

Rock Hill, SC 29732

Patsy Rushing

Margie Wannamaker

PO Box 10, 209 Greene Street

Cheraw, SC 29520

### Vera Meadows

C/O BONNIE HUNTLEY

1402 Capel  
Dairy Road

Wadesboro, NC  
28170



# Serving in April

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## **Hostess**

Carole Hennessee

## **Altar Guild**

Susan Eschendorf and Zenda Rushing

## **Head Usher**

Jeff Johnson

## **Acolyte and Cross Bearer**

Hannah Leach (A) Lydia Lee (CB)

## **Greeters**

Apr. 6 M&M Jimmie Williamson

Apr. 13 M&M Manuel Assef

Apr. 20 Chuck Barber

Apr. 27 M&M Jeff Johnson

## **Lobby Door Greeters**

Apr. 6 Pete Owens, Ellison Outen

Apr. 13 Jerry Turner, C.C. Quick

Apr. 20 John Sanderson, Harold Lomas

Apr. 27 Jerry Therrell, Jerry Carter

## **Nursery**

Apr. 6 Caroline Berry and Kristina Allen

Apr. 13 Caroline Berry and Jean Assef

Apr. 20 Caroline Berry and Henrietta Kollitz

Apr. 27 Caroline Berry and Kelly Dusa

## **Children's Church**

Apr. 6 Communion

Apr. 13 Palm Sunday

Apr. 20 Easter Sunday

Apr. 27 Kristen Tarleton, P.J. McPherson

## **Lay Readers**

Apr. 6 Ruth Middleton

Apr. 13 Ray Crouse

Apr. 20 Jenny Keefe

Apr. 27 Jim Bennett

## **Flower Calendar**

Apr. 6 Communion

Apr. 13 No Flowers Lent

Apr. 20 Easter Lillies

Apr. 27 Traynham Estate

If you would like to put flowers in the church on one of the open Sundays, please contact the church office.

## **Counters**

Apr. 6 Jackie McGee, Jane Mayhew, John Moore

Alternate: Mary Burr

Apr. 13 Jim Crawford, Sammy Quick, Donald Baker

Alternates: John Straughn, Zenda Rushing

Apr. 20 Jeff Johnson, Betty Hurst, Jerry Therrell

Alternates: David McLean, Walter Crosby

Apr. 27 Robert Calhoun, Herbert Watts, Brenda Rayfield

Alternate: Doug Marsh

## **McArn Items**

Apr. 6 Canned vegetables

Apr. 13 Non perishable items

Apr. 20 Kool-Aid and other drink mixes

Apr. 27 Laundry supplies

Mar. 30 Peanut butter and other condiments

## Memorials

### May 1 Newsletter Deadline

Thursday, April 24, 2014

#### ***In Memory of Dan Marsh***

M&M Tavener Threatte,  
M&M Steven Humphries, FUMC Ezer  
Sunday School Class, Shirley Walton,  
M&M David Townsend, FUMC  
United Methodist Women

#### ***In Memory of Nell Yearty***

M&M Keith Smith

#### ***In Memory of Sonny Turner***

M&M Keith Smith

#### ***In Memory of Billy Wallace***

M&M Walter Crosby

#### ***In Memory of Joe Smith***

M&M Walter Crosby

#### ***In Memory of Corey Ericson***

M&M Walter Crosby

## Recognizing High School and College Graduates

If you are a student that will be graduating from high school or college this year, please let the church office know. The church would like to recognize you for your accomplishment. We

need to know where you are graduating from and if you are going to attend college, where you will be going. If you graduating from college, please let us know what college and your

degree.

## Sunday School and Worship Perfect Attendance for February

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Abbey Pickrel, Sawyer Becker, Benson Stubbs, Austin Sander-son, Scott Eddins, Ed Davidson, Jimmy Duffy, Julia Jones, Curtis Jones, Brenda Rayfield, Syble Sanderson, Shep Straughn, John Straughn, Drucilla Walker, Keith Smith, Ellison Outen, Billy Wicker, Greg Sander-son, Jerry Carter, Jerry Therrell, Harold Lomas, Sammy Quick, Herbert Watts, Jim Bennett, Jon Kroe- pel, Manfred Kollitz, Roger Wolfe, Jackie Furr, Jerry Turner, Theodore Burns, Jane Campbell, Mary Burr, Henrietta Kollitz, JoAnne Morgan, Lib Norton, Flo Outen, Sarah M. Therrell, Jackie McGee, Linda Smith, Debbie Adams, Lynn Tweed, Ashton Becker, Judy Dixon, Susan Eschen- felder, Amy Lewis, John Moore, Michelle Rohde, Brant Thompson,

Becky Thompson, Bonnie Cundiff, Sheri Stubbs, Margaret Wolfe, Betty Thrailkill, Jenny Keefe, Pam Hum- phries, Nancy Wagnon, Doug Cara- bo, Mary Lou Long, Greer Eddins

### **WORSHIP**

Debbie Adams, Allison Becker, Ash- ton Becker, Leighton Becker, Sawyer Becker, Jay Brooks, Theodore Burns, Jane Campbell, Alayna Carabo,

Amanda Carabo, Doug Carabo, Zach Carabo, Jerry Carter, Bonnie Cundiff, Ronie Cundiff, Ed Davidson, Judy Dixon, Jimmy Duffy, Greer Eddins, Scott Eddins, Susan Eschenfelder, Pam Humphries, Jeff Johnson, Shan- non Johnson, Curtis Jones, Julia Jones, Dawn Leach, Hannah Leach, Harold Lomas, Mary Lou Long, Jack- ie McGee, Thomas McKinnon, Sha- ron McKinnon, John Moore, JoAnne Morgan, Lib Norton, Ellison Outen, Flo Outen, Sammy Quick, Kim Rod- dy, Michelle Rohde, Austin Sander- son, Greg Sanderson, Sara Sander- son, Syble Sanderson, Linda Smith, Keith Smith, Bobby Spears, John Straughn, Shep Straughn, Jerry Ther- rell, Sarah M. Therrell, Becky Thompson, Brant Thompson, Betty Thrailkill, Jerry Turner, Nancy Wag- non, Drucilla Walker, Margaret Wolfe, Roger Wolfe.



***Congratulations***





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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.

**We're on the Web!**  
[www.cherawfirstumc.org](http://www.cherawfirstumc.org)

## *Our Visitors*

### **March 2**

Cindy Champion, Ok Yo Chang, Tom Davidson, Alyssa Edwards, George Furr, Johnnie Johnson, Andy Koontz, Tracy Koontz, Ella Prevatte, Sophia Prevatte, Vincent Prevatte, Cooper Thurman.

### **March 9**

Ok Yo Chang, Tom Davidson, William Eutsler, Jr., Carolyn Gary, Shae Lomas, Missy Morgan, Jed Reid, Chase Thomas.

### **March 16**

Carline Berry, Ok Yo Chang, Marie Davidson, Tom Davidson, Barbara Eutsler, William Eutsler, Jr., Linda Ford, Sandra Freeman, Juani Hoover, Phyllis Johnson, Marie Long, Paul Ludlow, Josephine Melton, Linda Moore, Ashlyn Nelson, Cyndi Roscoe, Tonya Sellers, Renee Valdaliso, Kashundra Watson, Shertoria Wilson.

### **March 23**

Cindy Champion, Ok Yo Chang, Lisa Chishium, Tom Davidson, Alyssa Edwards, Collin McManus, Becky Sides, Beth Thrailkill, Chris Thrailkill, Jackson Thrailkill, Tony Thrailkill, Bob Tietze.

### **March 30**

## **Birthdays and Anniversaries in April**

### **BIRTHDAYS**

4/4 Kayla Buffington Hearl  
4/5 Brant Thompson  
4/6 Keith Smith, Jim Bennett  
4/9 Becky Thompson  
4/10 Anthony Harris, Steven Humphries  
4/13 Jensen Tomberlin  
4/19 Lindsey Sanderson, Amanda Carabo  
4/22 Sarah Miles, Mary Lomas  
4/23 Michelle Kessler  
4/29 Marianne Crawford  
4/30 Walter Crosby, Jim Crawford, IV

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

4/8 M&M Peter Swarr  
4/13 M&M Paul Miles  
4/17 M&M Todd Becker  
4/23 M&M Jerry Turner

4/24 M&M John Sanderson

4/26 M&M Jim Crawford, III,  
M&M David Tucker



*Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary*

# April Calendar

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## **Wednesday, April 2, 2014**

Wednesday at the First (WATF),  
5:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Handbell Rehearsal, 6:00pm, Choir  
Room

Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm, Choir  
Room

Sunday, April 6 Bulletin Deadline,  
12:00pm

## **Sunday, April 6, 2014**

Adult Choir Rehearsal, 8:45am, Choir  
Room

Sunday School, 10:00am

Worship, 11:00am

UMYF (United Methodist Youth Fellow-  
ship), 4:30pm, Fellowship Hall/Youth  
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Wind Band Rehearsal, 5:00pm, During  
Youth

Praise Band and Singers Rehearsal,  
7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

## **Monday, April 7, 2014**

Boy Scout Meeting, 6:00pm, Scout Hut

## **Tuesday, April 8, 2014**

UMW Circle #1, 10:00am, Parlor

UMW Circle #3, 7:00pm

Praise Band and Singers Rehearsal,  
7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

## **Wednesday, April 9, 2014**

Wednesday at the First (WATF),  
5:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Handbell Rehearsal, 6:00pm, Choir  
Room

Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm, Choir  
Room

Sunday, April 13 Bulletin Deadline,  
12:00pm

## **Sunday, April 13, 2014**

United Methodist Men's Breakfast,  
8:30am, Fellowship Hall

Sunday School, 10:00am

Worship, 11:00am

Community Palm Sunday Service,  
6:00pm, Pee Dee Union Baptist Church

## **Monday, April 14, 2014**

Boy Scout Meeting, 6:00pm, Scout Hut

Pre-School Board Meeting, 7:00pm,  
Kinsey Mulloy Classroom

## **Wednesday, April 16, 2014**

Handbell Rehearsal, 6:00pm, Choir  
Room

Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm, Choir  
Room

Sunday, April 20 Bulletin Deadline,  
12:00pm

## **Thursday, April 17, 2014**

J.O.Y. Club Luncheon, 12:00pm, Fellow-  
ship Hall

Maundy Thursday Service, 7:00pm,  
Sanctuary

## **Friday, April 18, 2014**

*Angie Vacation Day*

## **Sunday, April 20, 2014**

Easter Sunrise Service, 6:30am

Adult Choir Rehearsal, 8:45am, Choir  
Room

Sunday School, 10:00am

Worship, 11:00am

## **Monday, April 21, 2014**

Boy Scout Meeting, 6:00pm, Scout Hut

*OFFICE CLOSED EASTER MONDAY*

## **Wednesday, April 23, 2014**

Wednesday at the First (WATF),  
5:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Handbell Rehearsal, 6:00pm, Choir  
Room

Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm, Choir  
Room

Sunday, April 27 Bulletin Deadline,  
12:00pm

## **Thursday, April 24, 2014**

*May Newsletter Deadline*

## **Sunday, April 27, 2014**

Adult Choir Rehearsal, 8:45am, Choir  
Room

Sunday School, 10:00am

Worship, 11:00am (Youth Sunday)

UMYF (United Methodist Youth Fellow-  
ship), 4:30pm, Fellowship Hall/Youth  
Hut

Wind Band Rehearsal, 5:00pm, During  
Youth

Praise Band and Singers Rehearsal,  
7:00pm, Fellowship Hall

## **Monday, April 28, 2014**

Boy Scout Meeting, 6:00pm, Scout Hut

## **Wednesday, April 30, 2014**

Wednesday at the First (WATF),  
5:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Handbell Rehearsal, 6:00pm, Choir  
Room

Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm, Choir  
Room

Sunday, May 4 Bulletin Deadline,  
12:00pm

*Bus Reserved, 10am—3pm*