

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, August 31, 2014

10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service
7:00pm Praise Singers/Ringers Practice (Fellowship Hall)

Monday, September 1, 2014

Office Closed Labor Day Holiday

Tuesday, September 2, 2014

7:00pm Praise Singers/Ringers Practice (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, September 3, 2014

Deadline for Charge Conference Reports
Deadline for Church Council Reports
September 7 Bulletin Deadline

Thursday, September 4, 2014

6:00pm Parsonage Committee Meeting (Parsonage)

Saturday, September 6, 2014

Fellowship Hall Reserved

Sunday, September 7, 2014

10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service
5-6:30pm UMYF (Fellowship Hall and Youth Hut)
6:00pm Finance Committee Meeting (Kinsey Mulloy Classroom)
7:00pm Church Council Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

FUMC STAFF

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



August 31, 2014
12th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

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

Call to Worship

Trust in the Lord and do good.

Sammy Quick

May the Lord give strength to the people!

***Hymn No. 577 in the Hymnal "God of Grace and God of Glory"**

CWM Rhondda

Unison Prayer

Holy and awesome God, we stand in your presence filled with regret for our many sins and failings. Though there is greatness in us, and a deep longing for goodness, we have often denied our better selves and refused to hear your voice calling us to rise to the full height of our humanity. For there is weakness in us, as well as strength. At times we choose to walk in darkness, our vision obscured. We do not care to look within, and we are unwilling to look beyond at those who need our help. O God, we are too weak to walk unaided. Be with us as a strong and wise friend, and teach us to walk by the light of your truth. Amen.

Sammy Quick

Silent Prayer

Recognition of an Outstanding UMW Member

Lib Norton

Children's Sermon

Sara Sanderson

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 105: 1-6

Jim Bennett, Lay Reader

Epistle Reading

Romans 12: 9-21

Lay Reader

***Affirmation Of Faith No. 881**

The Apostles' Creed

Lay Reader

***The Gloria Patri**

Pastoral and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Bud Boatwright

***Hymn No. 526 in the Hymnal “What a Friend We Have in Jesus”** Converse

Offertory Prayer Rev. Boatwright

Offertory

***Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

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

***Gospel Reading** **Matthew 16: 21-28** Rev. Boatwright

Sermon “Finding Life” Rev. Boatwright

***Hymn No. 399 in the Hymnal “Take My Life, and Let It Be”** Messiah
(During the hymn you are invited to come to the chancel rail, kneel, pray to God, then return to your pew when ready.)

***Benediction** Rev. Boatwright

***Postlude**

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

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary to the glory of God and in loving memory of Marie Martinka by Amy and Harrison Goodwin.

WELCOME VISITORS — We welcome our visitors! Please fill out the attendance sheet with your contact information. If you wish to join the church by Affirmation of Faith or Transfer of Membership, please notify the pastor at 843-537-7002.

OUR PRAYER LIST — our President, all who defend our nation, Sue Nichols (Pam Humphries’ mother), Bailey Turner (10-yr-old from Ruby with cancer), Lucille Gray (Betty Hurst’s mother), Sherrie Cassidy (Angie Smith’s friend), Whitney Grooms Sanders (Jane Mayhew’s friend), Zenda Rushing, El-lison Outen, Harry Board, Ken and Elaine Liscumbe (Jerry & Sarah Therrell’s friends), Walter Cantwell (Kurt McPherson’s friend), David Freeman, Sr. (David Freeman’s dad), Trina Mills. **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 contact the pastor, you can call the parsonage at 537-3635, the church office 537-7002 or his cell phone 864-643-9968.

THANK YOU — Gail and I want to thank the congregation for their prayers for Kevin. He is back on his feet and working again. He still has a long way to go but has progressed nicely and is still working on using his feet and legs without pain and swelling. —*Sam and Gail Eubanks*

THANK YOU — To the members of FUMC, Thank you for your constant support in the funding, advertising, and completion of the Stop Hunger Now project. Our church gave the most money and had the most participants, so it would have been impossible without your support. Seeing our church used for such a large project is something that I rarely see and Kurt said it best when he said that he hasn’t been more proud of this church—neither have I. You will never understand how much this meant to me that you would trust me to organize and carry out this project. But even with that amount of gratitude, what this project means to me looks so insignificant to what this project means for impoverished families who will be receiving these meals. You have all played a part in ending hunger for someone, somewhere, if just even for today. Bless you all. —*Jake Crouse*

KIDS ACTIVITIES — Just to clear up some confusion in the kids activities, children’s church, FISH activities, WATF children’s activities and the children’s sermon are for children in grades K through 5. Also, coming soon for the kids of the church will be the KIDS NOOK.

CHARGE CONFERENCE — Our church’s Charge Conference is Saturday, September 20 at 10:00am. All reports need to be completed and into the office by Wednesday, September 3.

CHRISTMAS SKIT/MUSICAL — Anybody who wants to help, be in, or just do anything for the Christmas skit/musical, call Sara at 910-7987 or email her at saralsanderson@hotmail.com.

RED BIRD MISSION TRIP — This year’s Red Bird Mission Trip to Kentucky is scheduled for October 5—11. Your financial support, as well as your prayers, will be greatly appreciated.

CHILDREN’S CHURCH HELPERS WANTED — If anyone would like to help out at Children’s Church, please call the church office. This is a vital ministry to the children of our church; please considering helping with this ministry.

COLLEGE STUDENTS ADDRESSES — As the school year approaches, the church would like to be able to stay in contact with our college students. Please call or email your college address to the church office so that cards and notes may be sent to you.

SERVING TODAY

Greeters: M&M Jeff Kollitz

Lobby Door Greeters: Jerry Therrell, Jerry Carter

Altar Guild: Kay VanDeman, Julia Tucker

Nursery: Caroline Berry and Alayna Carabo

Flowers Next Sunday: Davidsons

Counters: Rhett Butler, Shelton Rumph

Alternate Counter: Jerry Tucker

Children’s Church: Kelly Dusa and Sarah Allen

Head Usher: Rhett Butler

Hostess: JoAnne Morgan

Acolyte: Kathryn Johnson

Cross Bearer: Jayson Lewis

McArn Item: Toiletries

Next Week’s Lay Reader: Jensen Tomberlin

Worship Attendance Aug. 24—159; Attendance in Worship the same Sunday last year—162