

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

### Sunday, September 28, 2014

10:00am Sunday School  
 11:00am Worship Service  
 5-6:30pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF) (Fellowship Hall and Youth Hut)

### Monday, September 29, 2014

6:30pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)

### Wednesday, October 1, 2014

4:30pm WATF Kids Activities (Kids Nook)  
 5:30pm WATF Meal (Fellowship Hall)  
 6:30pm WATF Adult Study (Fellowship Hall)  
 6:30pm WATF Youth Activities (Sanctuary)  
*October 5 Bulletin Deadline*

### Sunday, October 5, 2014

10:00am Sunday School  
 11:00am Worship Service  
 5-6:30pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF) (Fellowship Hall and Youth Hut)

### SERVING TODAY

<b>Greeters:</b> M&M John Sanderson	<b>Head Usher:</b> Todd Becker
<b>Lobby Door Greeters:</b> Herbert Watts, Allan Chapman	<b>Hostess:</b> Jackie McGee
<b>Altar Guild:</b> Marianne Crawford	<b>Acolyte:</b> Austin Sanderson
<b>Nursery:</b> Caroline Berry and Amanda Carabo	<b>Cross Bearer:</b> Jacob Rohde
<b>Flowers Next Sunday:</b> Goodwins	<b>McArn Item:</b> Canned vegetables and milk
<b>Counters:</b> Robert Calhoun, Herbert Watts, Brenda Rayfield	<b>Next Week's Lay Reader:</b> Sammy Quick
<b>Alternate Counter:</b> Doug Marsh	
<b>Children's Church:</b> Doug Carabo, Mason Tomberlin	

**Genesis Attendance, Sept. 21** 46; — **Worship Attendance, Sept. 21**— 118;  
**Total of both services:** 164  
**Attendance in Worship the same Sunday last year**—143

### FUMC STAFF

Rev. Dr. Kurt McPherson, Pastor ([kamcpherson@umcsc.org](mailto:kamcpherson@umcsc.org))  
 Angie Smith, Administrative Assistant ([fumcangiesmith@gmail.com](mailto:fumcangiesmith@gmail.com))  
 Sara Sanderson, Director of Children/Youth ([saralsanderson@hotmail.com](mailto:saralsanderson@hotmail.com))  
 Mimi Coffey, Director of Preschool/Nursery ([fmprsn2212@yahoo.com](mailto:fmprsn2212@yahoo.com))



First United Methodist Church  
 117 Third Street, Cheraw, SC 29520  
[www.cherawfirstumc.org](http://www.cherawfirstumc.org)



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 28, 2014*  
**16th Sunday after Pentecost**

### Prelude

**“His Eye is on the Sparrow”**

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

### Call to Worship

**Psalm 111:1**

Dr. Kurt McPherson

Praise the Lord.

**I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**

**\*Hymn No. 155 in the Hymnal “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”**

Diadem

### Unison Prayer

Dr. McPherson

God of truth, you have spoken your Word to us and in us but we have not listened to you. We have not been mindful of your presence, or attentive to your voice. Have mercy on us, forgive us, and heal us. Speak your Word in us now, and create us anew. We open ourselves to your Word. Amen

### Silent Prayer

### Children's Sermon

Sara Sanderson

### Commissioning of Red Bird Missionaries

Pastor: All who take upon themselves the name of Christ are called into ministries of love and service by the example of Christ. As these members of our community begin their work among the people of the Red Bird Conference, we pray the blessings of God and this community upon their endeavors.

**The People: We recognize you as ambassadors of this congregation in ministry with the people of the Red Bird Conference and dedicate you to service in the name of Jesus Christ. Through our prayers we will be united with you in your work. May God richly bless your labors.**

Pastor: Let us affirm our belief in the responsibilities of Christian service.

*Missionaries: We believe in God, Creator of the world; and in Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of creation. We believe in the Holy Spirit, through whom we acknowledge God's gifts. We commit ourselves to the rights and dignity of all persons and to the improvement of the quality of life. We dedicate ourselves to peace throughout the world and to the rule of justice and law among all nations. We believe in the present and final triumph of God's Word in human affairs, and gladly accept our commission to manifest the life of the gospel in the world.*

<b>New Testament Reading</b>	<b>Philippians 2: 1-13</b>	Pam Baker, Lay Reader
<b>*Gospel Reading</b>	<b>Matthew 21: 23-32</b>	Lay Reader
<b>*Affirmation Of Faith No. 885</b>	<b>A Modern Affirmation</b>	Lay Reader
<b>*The Gloria Patri</b>		
<b>Pastoral and Lord's Prayer</b>		
<b>*Hymn No. 117 in the Hymnal</b>	<b>"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"</b>	St. Anne
<b>Offertory Prayer</b>		
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>"Festival Toccata"</b>	Fletcher
<b>*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings</b>		
<b>*Doxology No. 95</b>	<b>"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"</b>	Old 100th
<b>Old Testament Reading</b>	<b>Genesis 32: 22-31</b>	Dr. McPherson
<b>Sermon</b>	<b>"Wrestling with God"</b>	Dr. McPherson
<b>*Hymn No. 467 in the Hymnal</b>	<b>"Trust and Obey"</b>	Trust and Obey
	<i>(During the hymn you are invited to come to the chancel rail, kneel, pray to God, then return to your pew when ready.)</i>	
<b>*Benediction</b>		
<b>*Postlude</b>	<b>"Thanks Be To Thee"</b>	Handel

**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 Elaine Motley by her family Jenny and Dallas Keefe, Ricki Thurman, her grandchildren and great grandchildren.*

**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), Zenda Rushing, Ellison Outen, Walter Cantwell (Kurt McPherson's friend), David Freeman, Sr. (David Freeman's dad), Trina Mills, Jon Kroepel, Stacy Teal, Martha Rogers, Jerry Hinson Family, Jerry Therrell, Joe Marsh, Pal Moore, Lib Norton. **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.

**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 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.

MENU—Spaghetti, salad, corn on the cob, garlic bread, dessert and tea.

**SKI TRIP DEPOSIT** — Just a reminder that the ski trip deposit is due today.

**YOUTH FUND RAISER** — Tickets are on sale for the youth fund raiser for \$10 each. For more information on this please call Sara (910-7987) or Angie at the church office (537-7002).

**CHURCH-WIDE HOSPITAL OUTREACH PROJECT** — If you would like to donate to a church-wide hospital outreach project where the children and youth will make up baskets with snacks, lip balm, quarters for vending machines and other items that families of those in the hospital may need, please leave your donation at the church office.

**MILLION BOOD DRIVE** — The million book drive is an ongoing project. A box is outside the church office for you to place your new books for 4th through 6th grade. These books will be given out in Chesterfield County.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (OCC)** — We can take up to 15 to the processing center in Charlotte, NC to pack boxes for OCC. This will be done on Wednesday, November 26 from 9:00am—1:00pm. If you are interested in attending, please call Angie or Sara at the church (537-7002)

**KIDS NOOK** — If anyone would like to donate money for the Kids Nook room, please contact Angie in the church office (537-7002) or Sara (910-7987). We are in the process of decorating this room. Please feel free to stop by and take a look. —*Sara Sanderson*

**FALL BBQ** — Our church Fall BBQ is on October 18. If you need tickets to sell, Angie will have them in the church office.

**FOUND** — A bright blue market basket with a palmetto crescent on it and a lavender glass bowl inside has been found and placed in the church office. If this is yours, please come by the office and pick it up.

**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

**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.