

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, February 15, 2015

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

Monday, February 16, 2015

6:00pm Boy Scout Meeting (Boy Scout Hut)

Wednesday, February 18, 2015

4:30pm WATF Kids and Youth Activities with Cheryl Postlewait (Fellowship Hall)
 5:30pm WATF Meal (Fellowship Hall)
 6:30pm Ash Wednesday Service (Sanctuary)
 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
February 22 Bulletin Deadline

Thursday, February 19, 2015

12:00pm J.O.Y Club Lunch (Fellowship Hall)

Friday, February 20, 2015

7:00pm Sweetheart Banquet (Fellowship Hall)
March Newsletter Deadline

Sunday, February 22, 2015

8:45am Genesis Service (Fellowship Hall)
 10:00am Sunday School
 11:00am Worship Service
 5:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF)

SERVING TODAY

Greeters: M&M Chase Watson
Lobby Door Greeter: John Sanderson, Harold Lomas
Altar Guild: Amy Lewis
Nursery: Caroline Berry and Christy Ruffner
Flowers Next Sunday: OPEN
Children's Church: Jeff Kollitz and Mary-Charlotte Dusa
Next Week's Lay Reader: Shannon Johnson
Counters: Jeff Johnson, Betty Hurst, Jerry Therrell
Alternate Counters: David McLean, Walter Crosby

Head Usher: Keith Smith
Hostess: Flo Outen
Acolyte: Jacob Rohde
Cross Bearer: Kathryn Johnson
McArn Item: Canned spaghetti & ravioli

Worship Attendance, Feb. 8 —159; Attendance in Worship the same Sunday last year—170

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.

February 15, 2015
Last Sunday after the Epiphany
Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday

Prelude

Greeting and Announcements

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

Call to Worship

Psalm 146: 1

Rev. Dr. Kurt McPherson

Praise the Lord! **Let all that I am praise the Lord.**

***Hymn No. 117 in the Hymnal**

“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”

St. Anne

Unison Prayer

Dr. McPherson

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.

Observance of Silent Prayer

Words of Assurance

Children's Sermon

Sara Sanderson

Old Testament Reading

2 Kings 2: 1—12

Susan Marsh, Lay Reader

New Testament Reading

2 Corinthians 4: 3 — 6

Lay Reader

***Affirmation Of Faith No. 889**

Affirmation from 1 Timothy

Lay Reader

***The Gloria Patri**

Pastoral and Lord's Prayer

Dr. McPherson

*Hymn No. 370 in the Hymnal	“Victory in Jesus”	Hartford
Offertory Prayer		Dr. McPherson
Offertory		
*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings		
*Doxology No. 95	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”	Old 100th
*Gospel Reading	Mark 9: 2—9	Dr. McPherson
Sermon	“A Very High Mountain”	Dr. McPherson
*Hymn No. 526 in the Hymnal	“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”	Converse
*Benediction		Dr. McPherson

***Postlude**

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

The greenery is placed in the sanctuary to the glory of God.

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 537-7002.

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.

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), Zenda Rushing, Scott Tomberlin, Ed Davidson, Logan, Gary & Lacy Gause (Friends of Dee Dee Pickrel), Phyllis Tietze (Kristina Allen’s mother), Christy Marsh (Emily Marsh’s daughter), Cynthia Brooks Nolan (Sally Smith’s friend), Dr. Ronald Hampton (Lib Norton’s friend), Bill Eutsler, Olivia Moll (Debbie Adams’ friend). **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

BLOOD DRIVE — The Red Cross will have a blood drive here at First Church on Monday, March 9 from 2:00—7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. To sign up please call the church office or go to www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code FUMCcheraw.

SYMPATHY — We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Betty Thrialkill who lost her nephew John Semken of Charleston.

SWEETHEART BANQUET — The UMM Sweetheart Banquet will be on Friday, February 20 at 7:00pm in the fellowship hall. Plan to come and enjoy good food and fellowship.

UPDATE ON OUR HOSPITAL MINISTRY — This ministry is going very well. They were very excited about this ministry at the hospital. There is not another ministry like it there, so it was very welcomed. Thank you to all who donated items. Please leave any items you wish to donate in the church office. Here is a list of items we will need to keep in stock for this ministry to continue: Hand cream, mouthwash, note pads, good pens, devotion books, lip balm, small pack of tissue, candy bars, crackers, hand sanitizer, mints, and emery boards. Thank you for all you do. —Sara Sanderson

J.O.Y. CLUB — The J.O.Y Club will meet on Thursday, February 19 at noon. This will be a lasagna lunch and the cost will be \$7.00 per person. Please sign up with your caller or with Mary Burr at 537-3920, by Monday, February 16.

EASTER MUSIC — The Choir will begin rehearsing Easter music on February 11 at 7:30pm in the Choir Room. Anyone interested is encouraged to participate.

FLOWER CALENDAR — If you have a special Sunday for putting flowers in the church, please call Sarah Margaret Therrell (537-3395) or the church office (537-7002) and let them know.

MILLION BOOK 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.

INCLEMENT WEATHER — In case of inclement weather, the church office operates on the same schedule as the Chesterfield County School District.

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 — Lasagna, salad, garlic bread, corn on cob, dessert and tea.