UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, April 26, 2015

8:45am Genesis Service (Fellowship Hall)
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service
3:00pm Memorial Committee Meeting (Kinsey Mulloy Classroom)
5:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF) (Fellowship Hall and Youth Hut)

Monday, April 27, 2015 6:00pm Boy Scout Meeting (Boy Scout Hut) 7:00pm Christian Education Ministry Team Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, April 29, 2015

4:30pm WATF Kids Activities (Kid's Nook)
5:30pm WATF Meal (Fellowship Hall)
6:00pm Handbell Rehearsal (Choir Room)
6:30pm WATF Adult Study (Fellowship Hall)
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
May 3 Bulletin Deadline
Bus Reserved (Pre-School)

Friday, May 1, 2015 5:00pm Relay for Life (Chesterfield High School Football Stadium)

Sunday, May 3, 2015

10:00am Sunday School11:00am Worship Service5:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF) (Fellowship Hall and Youth Hut)

SERVING TODAY			
Greeters: M&M Jeff Johnson Lobby Door Greeters: Jerry Therrell, Jerry Carter Altar Guild: Susan Eschenfelder and Zenda Rushing Nursery: Caroline Berry and Erika Kollitz Counters: Robert Calhoun, Herbert Watts, Brenda Rayfield	Head Usher: Jeff Johnson Hostess: Carole Hennessee Acolyte: Leighton Becker Cross Bearer: Alayna Carabo McArn Item: Baby items		
Next Week's Lay Reader: Jensen Tomberlin Flowers Next Sunday: M&M Jim Crawford Alternate Counter: Doug Marsh Flowers Next Sunday: M&M Jim Crawford Children's Church: Dee Dee Pickrel and Hannah Leach Worship Attendance, April 19 — 129; Worship attendance the same Sunday last year — 243 (Easter)			
FUMC STAFF Rev. Dr. Kurt McPherson, Pastor (kamcpherson@umcsc.org) Angie Smith, Administrative Assistant (fumcangiesmith@gmail.com) Sara Sanderson, Director of Children/Youth (saralsanderson@hotmail.com) Mimi Coffey, Director of Preschool/Nursery (fmpsn2212@yahoo.com) Dr. Shane Robertson, Director of Music (srobertson@chesterfieldschools.org)			



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April 26, 2015 4th Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Greeting and Announcements Please sign the attendance pad and pass it to everyone on the pew. **Call to Worship Psalm 34:3** Rev. Dr. Kurt McPherson O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together. Faithfulness *Hymn No. 140 in the Hymnal "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" **Responsive Prayer** Dr. McPherson Our lives are cluttered, Lord Jesus, by too many things and too much to do. We are driven by the need to succeed and distracted by our service. We have often lost our way. Forgive us. Let us, like Mary, find the one thing that is needed and sit at your feet. Amen. **Silent Praver Children's Sermon** Sara Sanderson **New Testament Reading** Jim Bennett, Lay Reader Acts 4: 5-12

Epistle Reading1 John 3: 16—24Lay Reader*Affirmation Of Faith No. 754Psalm 23Lay Reader*The Gloria PatriTree Gloria PatriDree GloriaPastoral and Lord's PrayerDree GloriaDree Gloria*Hymn No. 176 in the Hymnal"Majesty, Worship His Majesty"MajestyOffertory PrayerDr. McPhersonDr. McPherson

Offertory

*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology No. 95	"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"	Old 100th
*Gospel Reading	John 10: 11-18	Dr. McPherson
Sermon	"The Good Shepherd"	Dr. McPherson
*Hymn No. 545 in the Hymnal "The Church's One Foundation" Aurelia		
*Benediction		Dr. McPherson

*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 memory of Mr. L.B. Postlewait by Cheryl Postlewait

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), Lucille Gray (Betty Hurst's mother), Logan, Gary & Lacy Gause (Friends of Dee Dee Pickrel), DeAnna Starling, Christy Marsh (Emily Marsh's daughter), Dr. Hampton (Lib Norton's friend), Wayne Therrell (Jerry Therrell's brother), Rosa Chapman. **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

SPECIAL THANKS — Your thoughts, prayers, cards and calls really meant so much to Thomas and me during Thomas' bout with the flu and me with a bad case of stress and heart trouble. We are fortunate to have such a wonderful, caring church family. PRAISE GOD! In Christian Love, Sharon and Thomas McKinnon.

LIFE LINE SCREENING — If you are interested in having the life line screening done, the church office has a limited number of complimentary screening certificates available on a first-come first-serve basis. Please come by the office if you would like one of these certificates.

NEW PHONE NUMBERS — Please change your records for Sharon and Thomas McKinnon; they now have new phone numbers. Please use these numbers when calling them: Sharon 910-280-2788; Thomas 910-280-4074.

TRANSFORM A CHILD'S FUTURE — Each year, Epworth Children's Home provides care to children in our own communities who have experienced abuse, neglect, and loss. Epworth's care breaks the destructive cycle and encourages children to aim higher in life. Each child receives the physical, emotional, academic, and spiritual care they need to transform their lives. This care makes a difference. It develops long-term healing, self-worth and self-confidence. It transforms children who are three years behind in school into honor roll students, high school graduates, and college students. Epworth's care provides spiritual nourishment to strengthen their relationship with God. <u>On Sunday, May 10, our congregation will support Epworth by collecting the Annual Epworth Mother's Day Offering.</u> Without the support of churches like ours Epworth could not provide transformational care for children in need. We invite you to give generously to the children who call Epworth home. Epworth does not receive denominational funding (apportionments). This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, you can visit them on the web at www.epworthchildrenshome.org or find them on Facebook.

SALKEHATCHIE — It is time to register for Salkehatchie Summer Service 2015!! This year's registration will be completed online, and the site is now ready for you to register. The cost has gone up to \$230 this year. Full payment is due upon registration. You must have your own valid email address and a password. Access to Salkethachie registration is at Salkehatchie.org. You will need to have a photo, medical insurance card, and medical information handy. The photo and card will need to be scanned into the registration. It will be possible to complete one part at one time and go back to complete the rest at a later time. You must complete your registration before your request will be sent to the Camp Director of your camp selection. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Adams at 623-4153.

DONATE NEW/USED READING GLASSES — If you would like to donate new or used reading glasses for them to be sent to Africa, you may do so by bringing them and placing them in the box by the office door in the lobby.

MERCILESS METHODISTS — We show no mercy against cancer!!! The 2015 Relay for Life of Chesterfield County is Friday, May 1 at Chesterfield High School Football Stadium; the goal for Chesterfield County is \$145,000. 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 **RELAY**. 2) We need slaw, chili, and chopped onions for Friday, May 1 — 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. If you would like to join our team or make an online donation you may do so by going to www.relayforlife.org and put "Merciless Methodists" in the team search box.

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 — BBQ, sweet potatoes, green beans, corn bread, fat back, dessert and tea.