

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, February 28, 2016

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

Monday, February 29, 2016

3:00pm *Deadline for WATF Meal reservations*
6:00pm Boy Scouts Meeting (Scout Hut)
6:00pm Children's Council Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, March 2, 2016

4:30pm WATF MKF Activities
5:30pm WATF Meal
6:00pm Handbell Rehearsal (Choir Room)
6:30pm Bible Study
7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
12:00pm *Sunday, March 6 Bulletin Deadline*

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10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service
3:00pm United Methodist Women Quarterly Meeting (Parlor)
5:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF) (Youth hut/Fellowship Hall)



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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 28, 2016
3rd Sunday in Lent

Prelude

Greeting and Announcements

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

Pam Baker

Call to Worship

Lord Jesus, you meet us in the wilderness of our days.

You fill us with the bread of life.

You meet us in the desert of our loneliness

and streams of living water start to flow.

We will drink deeply of the gift of your presence this morning,

and we will rejoice, for you alone can make us glad! Amen.

Rev. Paul Frey

***Hymn No. 121 in the Hymnal "There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"**

Wellesley

Children's Sermon

Sara Sanderson

Psalter No. 788 in the Hymnal (Responsive Reading) Psalm 63:1-8

Joey Mills, Lay Reader

***Affirmation of Faith No. 881**

The Apostles' Creed

Lay Reader

***Gloria Patri**

Pastoral and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Frey

***Hymn No. 381 in the Hymnal "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us"**

Bradbury

Gathering God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Rev. Frey

***Offertory**

***Doxology No. 95**

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Old 100th

***Presentation of Tithes and Offerings with Prayer**

Scripture Reading

Luke 13: 1-9

Rev. Frey

FUMC STAFF

Rev. Paul Frey, Interim Pastor (pdfrey44@gmail.com)
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Sermon "Fig Trees Aren't Asked to Produce Bananas" Rev. Frey

***Hymn No. 438 in the Hymnal** "Forth in Thy Name, O Lord" Duke Street
(During the hymn you are invited to come to the chancel rail, kneel, pray to God, then return to your pew when ready.)

***Benediction**

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

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 church office at 843-537-7002.

OUR PRAYER LIST — our President, all who defend our nation, Sue Nichols (Pam Humphries' mother), DeAnna Starling, Mike Starling, Lindsey Griggs (Mary-Charlotte Dusa's friend), Walter Crosby, Susan Eschenfelder, David Townsend, Charles Pittman (Holly Miles' father), Barbara Chester (Vincent Prevatte's friend), Sarah Jefferies Calhoun (Surgery), Royce Rivers (Sally Smith's friend). **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

WATF MEAL AND BIBLE STUDY— The Wednesday at the First meal will begin at 5:30pm this Wednesday. **The menu will be chicken and dumplings, string beans, fat back, biscuits, dessert, and tea.** The meal 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 (843-537-7002) 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.
The **WATF Bible Study** will begin at 6:30pm, led by Sammy Quick.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH — Anyone who would like to help with children's church, please contact the church office. We thank Allison, Nancy, Mary Lou and Michelle who have already volunteered.

WATF METHODIST KIDS FELLOWSHIP (MKF) — Will meet Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30pm.

AUTOMATIC BANK DRAFT REMINDER — Just a reminder that we have automatic bank draft for your pledge. If you are interested in signing up for this, please see Angie in the church office. If you are already signed up, your bank draft will continue to be taken out in 2016, unless Angie is contacted otherwise.

FLOWER CALENDAR — The flower calendar for 2016 has been placed in the lobby by the church office. If you have a special Sunday you would like to put flowers in the church, stop by and sign up.

LENTEN LUNCHESES — Lenten Lunches are held at noon on Wednesday in the First Baptist Family Life Center. The schedule is as follows:
March 2, Billy Lynch, Mt. Olivet & Pleasant Grove UMC
March 9, Sara Sanderson, FUMC
March 16, Jerry Hardison, Emmanuel Temple
March 23, Joe Arnold, Faith Presbyterian

ITEM NEEDED — The preschool is in need of another freezer. If anyone has a freezer they would like to donate to the preschool, please contact Mimi Coffey or Linda Moore in the preschool at 843-537-2212.

RELAY FOR LIFE — The Relay for Life Committee will be having a breakfast on March 19 to fund the survivor luncheon that will be held on April 9. The cost of the ticket will be \$6.00. If anyone would like a ticket, they can see Jenny Keefe or they can come and pay at the door the day of the event. Please support this worthy cause. This breakfast will allow us to not take funds from the relay money raised, but it will allow us to honor our special cancer survivors. If you are a cancer survivor, please register so that you will receive an invitation to the event.

MERCILESS METHODISTS — We show no mercy against cancer!!! The 2016 Relay for Life of Chesterfield County is Friday, April 29 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, April 29 — 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.

SERVING TODAY	
Greeters: M&M Walter Crosby	Head Usher: Keith Smith
Lobby Door Greeters: Jerry Therrell, Jerry Carter	Hostess: Flo Outen
Altar Guild: Amy Lewis	Acolyte: Kathryn Johnson
Next Week's Lay Reader: Rhett Butler	Cross Bearer: Hannah Leach
Flowers Next Sunday: Communion	McArn Item: Toiletries
Counters: Jane Mayhew, John Moore	
Alternate Counter: Mary Burr	
Nursery: Caroline Berry & Sarah Allen	
Worship Attendance, Feb. 21 — 123; Attendance in Worship the same Sunday last year —149 (with Genesis)	