

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, April 24, 2016

10:00am Sunday School
 11:00am Worship Service
 2:00pm McDuffy Memorial Service
 5:00pm United Methodist Youth Fellowship (UMYF) (Youth hut/Fellowship Hall)

Monday, April 25, 2016

6:00pm Boy Scout Meeting (Scout Hut)

Wednesday, April 27, 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, May 1 Bulletin Deadline

Saturday, April 30, 2016

Fellowship Hall Rented

Sunday, May 1, 2016

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

SERVING TODAY

Greeters: M&M Jeff Johnson
Lobby Door Greeter: Jerry Therrell, Jerry Carter
Altar Guild: Susan Eschenfelder, Zenda Rushing
Next Week's Lay Reader: Pam Baker
Flowers Next Sunday:
Counters: Robert Calhoun, Herbert Watts, Brenda Rayfield
Alternate Counter: Doug Marsh
Nursery: Caroline Berry & Jean McLean

Head Usher: Jeff Johnson
Hostess: Carole Hennessee
Acolyte: Alayna Carabo
Cross Bearer: Jacob Rohde
McArn Item: Spaghetti noodles and sauce

Worship Attendance, April 17 — 121; Attendance in Worship the same Sunday last year—129

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.



April 24, 2016
5th Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Greeting and Announcements

Pam Baker

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

Opening Prayer

Rev. Paul Frey

O God, who is here—in this place now—in our midst, empower us to praise You, not with words or actions which come from outside of us, but from within us. Dwell in us more fully, that we may sing to You with all our being. Fill us with a sense of Your joy, that we find delight in worshipping You. Flood us with Your love, which is beyond everything we have ever known. O God, who is here—in this place now—make Your presence real to us here and now, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Hymn No. 529 in the Hymnal**

"How Firm a Foundation"

Foundation

Children's Sermon

Sara Sanderson

Psalter No. 861 in the Hymnal

Psalm 148

Lib Norton, Lay Reader

***Affirmation Of Faith No. 881**

The Apostles' Creed

Lay Reader

***The Gloria Patri**

Lay Reader

Pastoral and Lord's Prayer

Rev. Frey

***Hymn No. 467 in the Hymnal**

"Trust and Obey"

Trust and Obey

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

Matthew 7: 24-27

Rev. Frey

Sermon **“Building a Christian Life: Foundations Are Critical”** Rev. Frey

***Hymn No. 546 in the Hymnal (Vss. 1,2, 5) “The Church’s One Foundation”** Aurelia
(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.**

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the glory of God and in celebration of the 50th wedding anniversary of Jerry and Patricia Turner, by Shannon, Jeff and Kathryn Johnson and Gerrald Turner.

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, Larry Heustess (Lynn Tweed’s friend), Carol Crouse (Ray Crouse’s mother). **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 pork tenderloin, rice and gravy, butter beans, 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.

YOUTH SUNDAY — Youth Sunday will be next Sunday. Please plan to be at this special service and be in prayer of these young people as they prepare.

SALKEHATCHIE 2016!!!! — It's coming!! The dates for Foothills Salkehatchie are July 2-9. Registration is now open, start making your plans and encouraging the younger youth to attend with us. Keep checking the website (Salkehatchie.org) for when you can begin to register. If you have any questions, please contact Shannon Johnson, Dawn Leach, or Debbie Adams.

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 \$135,000. **What’s your life worth?** How can you help? As we have enough bottled water and cans of soft drinks; **now we need you to buy lots** of luminaries in honor or memory of someone you love.

THANK YOU — Thank you so much for the prayers, calls, food, cards, and especially your support. I love my church family. —*Flo Outen*

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. On Sunday, May 8, our congregation will support Epworth by collecting the Annual Epworth Mother’s Day Offering. 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 his vital ministry. For more information, please visit Epworth on the web at www.epworthchildrenshome.org.