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# THE CONNECTION

## Parson to Person

I like Josh McDowell and the way in which he writes and thinks. Recently, he wrote a devotion that lifted up the idea of learning new things. What would you do if you learned:

- \* that God created giraffes just so he could make fun of their long necks?

- \* that God threw Adam and Eve out of the Garden of Eden because he wanted the garden for himself?

- \* that God once kicked a dog for no reason at all.

- \* that when David sang psalm 23 for the first time...God said, "Get some voice lessons".

Josh declares that many would respond to such information by saying, "That's bogus! I don't believe that God would ever do those things." I believe Josh is right. We would respond in this way because we do not believe God would do such things as listed above because we know they go against God's character. For instance, the idea that God's name and teachings belong only in the church. The Reverend Ed Young of Second Baptist Church in Houston, Texas, in his sermon "*You Can't Legislate Morality*" speaks of a moment when it was determined that when a soldier was buried at Arlington National Cemetery that the name of Jesus or God could not be invoked because it was on Federal Property. The church threatened to sue and the ruling was changed. We are promised freedom of religion...not freedom from it. There are ways to get his word out even in the public arena. It is consistent with the Lord's teaching that his faithful are to witness in every place. A few people had the law changed to what it is today, and a few of us can change it to the appropriate use of law if we try. I fear God a lot more than I fear the law. I understand God's character and nature. Often it is what I know about God that stirs me rather than what I do not know. There are some things God will not do, and one of them is to honor a world that forgets about Him.

Some people today declare that it doesn't matter to God whether we "go to church" or worship. People want to disagree with the Creator of Life and being. I believe His Word is supreme. Our Bible teaches us not "to forsake the assembling of ourselves for worship." God wants his people to come to worship because God's people need to express their corporate love for the Savior and learn how to witness for Christ. It is a "daring" way to live in times like this. I do not believe the Government can save the world...even ours. I do not believe the voices of rhetoric on the campaign trail represent anything close to the Holy. Yet, people blindly follow like sheep voices that promise them a better life. It also amazes me that a government that is so afraid of religion celebrates a Holiday that was created for purely religious purposes (Thanksgiving Day). There is always a hypocritical element at work in this world because people are flawed. There are atheists who celebrate Christmas in their homes. There are non-believers who want fellowship and a family atmosphere of which to be a part. But it takes the love and work of a Savior to put people on the right track.

Let's "dare" to believe that it matters to God about the people who come to worship. Let's make an effort to invite our unchurched friends, our neighbors and friends, and those who are inactive in church. There's a chance for new beginnings and a fresh imparting of the Holy Spirit available on Sunday Mornings. Let's "dare" to help influence minds and change hearts for the Savior. Let's "dare" to offer rides to our invitees and to sit with them and even introduce them to others. Let's "dare" to do what is in complete harmony with God's spirit. Let's invite "All God's Children" to the church and expect blessings to descend. The world is waiting for better and we can provide it by making better people through faith.

"Daring" really is the way to live...and it is the only way I know to change the world. Then Thanksgiving will have a deeper meaning here in Cheraw.

*Ken Timmerman*

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### COMING UP

\*UMW Circle #4 Meeting, Tues., Nov. 8, 3:00pm, Parlor

\*UMW Circle #3 Meeting, Tues., Nov. 8, 7:00pm

\*UMM Breakfast, Sun., Nov. 10, 8:30am, Fellowship Hall

J.O.Y. Club, Thur. Nov. 17, 12:00pm, Fellowship Hall

\*Newsletter Deadline, Fri., Nov. 18

\*Loyalty Sunday, Sun. Nov. 20

Community Thanksgiving Service, Sunday, Nov. 20, 6:00

Office closed for Thanksgiving, Wed.—Fri., Nov. 23—25

## Memorials & Honorariums

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### *IN MEMORY OF JANICE WATSON*

Ron & Bonnie Cundiff

### *IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM CHARLES (TRIPPI) MCDUFFIE*

Beverly McDuffie

### *IN MEMORY OF GEORGE WALTERS, JR.*

Jerry & Patricia Turner

### *IN MEMORY OF EDYCE JACKSON BRASINGTON*

Nell & Preston Huntley, Beth & Joe Witherspoon, Wannamaker Drug, Doug & Gaila Wilson, Ellison & Flo Outen, Steven & Pam Humphries, John & Pal Moore, Joe & Lenda Bartlett, Bob & Pam Bartlett, JoAnne Bartlett, Jerry & Patricia Turner, Jim Bennett, Ron & Bonnie Cundiff, Brenda Rayfield, Fred & Lorraine Harris SS Class, Manfred & Henrietta Kollitz, Keith & Sally Smith

### *IN MEMORY OF FRANK BAKER*

Ellison & Flo Outen, Jim Bennett, Rhett & Marcia Butler

### *IN MEMORY OF LAWRENCE S. QUICK*

Keith & Sally Smith

### *IN MEMORY OF NANCY PENEGAR*

Rhett & Marcia Butler

### *IN MEMORY OF JOE MARSH*

Orrin B. Thomas, Jr., Steven & Pam Humphries, John & Pal Moore, Jerry & Patricia Turner, Jim Bennett, Ron & Bonnie Cundiff, Ed & Pat Bunch, Cheraw Red Hats, Brenda Rayfield, Fred & Lorraine Harris SS Class, Steve & Sandra Barbour, Wannamaker Drug, Manfred & Henrietta Kollitz, Steven Gramling, William Moore, Jr., Phillip & Tressa Tuck, Bryon & Bernona Rodgers, CHESCO Services Administrative Office, Betty Hurst, Phyllis Johnson, Tommy & Leslie Hancock

### *IN MEMORY OF LUCILLE GRAY*

Ron & Bonnie Cundiff

### *IN MEMORY OF BETTY DICKENS*

Ron & Bonnie Cundiff

### *IN MEMORY OF LANNY RAYFIELD*

Ron & Bonnie Cundiff

### *IN HONOR OF ROGER WOLFE*

Rhett & Marcia Butler

## From the Director of Youth and Children

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What a great time we all had at **Trunk or Treat!** What a crowd we had this year!!! The kids enjoyed going from trunk to trunk and getting lots of candy. They also enjoyed painting pumpkins, winning prizes at Corn Hole, and the Fishing game.----Thank all of you so much for your candy donations...and many thanks to all who decorated your trunks and passed out candy. We cannot do events like this without your help! Thank you!

UMYF recently had a **class on violence awareness**. Tracy and Tierra from Pee Dee Coalition taught this class and it was wonderful.

On Friday October 28 **we fed the Cheraw High Band and Cheerleaders**. Thank you for supporting this event! We are blessed to have such a wonderful and generous church family.

**Our fall retreat** will be held in Boone N.C. I cannot wait! We will leave the church at 2:00pm on Sunday, November 6 and will return on Monday, November 7. (Time of return will be announced later)

**OCC workday is coming...**we have 12 spots left. We will leave the church at 10:00am on Wednesday, November 23 and travel to the OCC Distribution center in Charlotte. Come and join us, any church member can join in. What a great way to serve the Lord by spreading His love to others.

Monday, November 28, we will have a **greenery project with Cheryl Postlewait**. All children and youth who are interested in joining in, please let me know by November 25. Thank you Cheryl!!!

On November 30, at 5:30pm UMYF will go to Duffy's and decorate his house for the Holidays.

(We will also have a pizza party) This is always a great time! **Come and help Duffy make his home festive for the holidays!!!**

*"I will praise the LORD God with a song and a thankful heart."  
Psalm 69:30*



## TRUNK OR TREAT FUN

Above—Jimmy Duffy sports his ugly face.

To Left—Jimmy Duffy with Boy Scout Scoutmaster Gus Anderson join in on the fun of Trunk or Treat.





## What Accounts can my Memorials be Put in?

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If you give memorials to FUMC you can designate that they go to a number of different areas of the church. Listed below are areas that your memorials can be designated for:

Endowment Fund  
Memorial Fund  
Music Fund  
Red Bird

Salkehatchie Summer Service  
Bus Fund  
Youth Ministries  
Children Ministries  
Contemporary Service Fund  
Building Upkeep Fund  
Parsonage Upkeep Fund  
Wednesday at the First (WATF)  
Relay for Life  
Grounds Upkeep Fund

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Pastor's Discretionary Fund  
Scholarships (Streete, Norton, Harris, Burr, Hook, Eutsler, Brasington, and Laney)

## Good Neighbor

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The Men's Class at FUMC is offering a helping hand. Do you need any help to change a light bulb, clean the gutters, rake the yard, wash the car, or go to the store? Whatever your need, give us a chance to be a good neighbor to you. We're not professionals and will not bill you for services, but

we are handy at doing many things. Our intent is not to take any work away from our local businesses and service professionals, but to simply offer a helping hand. This service is available to all FUMC members, and anyone you know who is in need of help.

You may contact Roger Wolfe at 843-537-7496.

*..help change a light bulb, clean the gutters, rake the yard,.....*

## Pastor's Discretionary Fund

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Contributions are needed for the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. Please share your surplus with those who have precious little on which to live. (Write a check to FUMC and designate it or part of it for "Pastor's Discretionary Fund.")



*Giving to those less fortunate*

## Serving in November

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### Altar Guild

Sara Sanderson and Charlotte Crosby

### Hostess

Shep Straughn

### Head Usher

Eric Dusa

### Acolyte and Cross Bearer

Margaret Jean Harris (A) Lawton Harris (CB)

### Greeters

Nov. 6 M&M Eric Dusa

Nov. 13 M&M Greg Sanderson

Nov. 20 JoAnne Morgan

Nov. 27 M&M John Straughn

### Lobby Door Greeters

Nov. 6 Robert Calhoun, Theodore Burns

Nov. 13 Manfred Kollitz, Joey Mills

Nov. 20 Jim Crawford, Rhett Butler

Nov. 27 Herbert Watts

### Nursery

Nov. 6 Christy Ruffner

Nov. 13 Lesley Jean Watson

Nov. 20 Jean Assef

Nov. 27 Pam Humphries

### Lay Readers

Nov. 6 Jim Bennett

Nov. 13 Eric Dusa

Nov. 20 Lib Norton

Nov. 27 Pam Baker

### Flower Calendar

Nov. 6 OPEN

Nov. 13 OPEN

Nov. 20 Keefe

Nov. 27 Advent (Poinsettias)

### Counters

Nov. 6 Jane Mayhew, John Moore

Alternate: Mary Burr

Nov. 13 Roger Wolfe, Jim Crawford,  
Sammy Quick

Alternates: John Straughn

Nov. 20 Jeff Johnson, Betty Hurst,  
Jerry Therrell

Alternates: David McLean, Walter  
Crosby

Nov. 27 Robert Calhoun, Herbert  
Watts, Brenda Rayfield

Alternate: Doug Marsh

### McArn Items

Nov. 6 Canned vegetables

Nov. 13 Cereals

Nov. 20 Flour, Sugar, Salt & Pepper

Nov. 27 Boxed foods

## From the FUMC Pre-School and Nursery

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We have been busy lately in the preschool & nursery. We received over \$2300 in donations for the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. The three and four year old children learned a lot about bicycle safety and participated in the Trike-a-Thon.

Recently the four year old class went to McLeod Farms. They heard a couple of stories about pumpkins, had a cup of peach ice cream, and rode a wagon pulled by a tractor to the pumpkin patch. Each child picked a pumpkin and brought it home. They had a great time!

If you get a chance, take a look on the playground. We had the old

wooden timbers removed and new plastic playground timbers installed. This is much safer for the children. Some of the equipment has been rebuilt and repaired, as well. We will have sand delivered soon. Contact me if you would like to help spread it.

The children are dressing up in Halloween costumes and walking through the school, trick or treating on Monday, October 31. They always look so adorable in their costumes! Come by and see them and the teachers as we all have a fun day playing dress up!

We are nearly at full enrollment with 79 children. We have one

opening in a three year old class and one in the four year old class. The waiting list is growing for infants through 2 years old with 59 waiting.

We are no longer taking Campbell's soup labels. Campbell's has discontinued that program. Thank you for all your support when we were taking them.

We are looking forward to Thanksgiving and having some time off to spend with our families. The school will be closed November 24 and 25. May your holidays be blessed with lots of love, laughter, good food, and togetherness.

In Him, *Mimi Coffey*

## Palmetto Ridge Assisted Living—Christmas Gift Rally

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Palmetto Ridge Assisted  
Living  
840 Manor Road  
Cheraw, SC 29520  
843-537-4197

We are kicking off our Christmas Gift Rally for the year 2016...We are asking for donations to help us in our efforts to

make sure that every resident has a gift for Christmas and to thank you again for any donations in the past, which help to make our past Christmas Rallies a success.. The following are some suggestions of items that our residents could use.

Socks Women 6-11; Men 7-13, underwear, T-shirts, men's and women's sweat suits, sleep pants, and body wash. However any donations would be truly appreciated.

Thanking you in advance,  
Regina Smith

### December Newsletter Deadline

Friday, November 18, 2016

## Perfect Attendance for August

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### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Norma Cobb, Jimmy Duffy, Judy Jones, Curtis Jones, Edith Quick, David Townsend, Druie Walker, Ellison Outen, Jerry Turner, Sammy Quick, John Sanderson, Jerry Carter, Doug Wilson, Pete Owens, Harold Lomas, Robert Calhoun, Jim Bennett, Roger Wolfe, David Rhode, Vincent Prevatte, Shane Robertson, Jerry Therrell, Leighton Becker, Sawyer Becker, Scott Eddins, Peyton Taylor, Ashton Becker, Allison Becker, Todd Becker, John Moore, Michelle Rohde, Paul Miles, Holly Miles, Amy Lewis, Jane Campbell, JoAnne Morgan, Lib Norton, Sarah M. Therrell, Flo Outen, Gailya Wilson, Lynn Tweed, Margaret Wolfe, Renie Seel, Jenny Keefe

### WORSHIP

Allison Becker, Ashton Becker, Leighton Becker, Sawyer Becker, Todd Becker, Jim Bennett, Martha Bentley, Jane Campbell, Jerry Carter, Norma Cobb, Judy Dixon, Jimmy Duffy, Gail Eubanks, Sam Eubanks, Kathryn Johnson, Shannon Johnson, Curtis Jones, Judy Jones, Jenny Keefe, Harold Lomas, Mary Lou Long, Sharon McKinnon, Thomas McKinnon, Sue McManus, Holly Miles, Paul Miles, John Moore, JoAnne Morgan, Lib Norton, Ellison Outen, Flo Outen, Pete Owens, Cheryl Postlewait, Sammy Quick, David Rohde, John Sanderson, Syble Sanderson, Renie Seel, Peyton Taylor, David Townsend, Jerry Turner, Lynn Tweed, Druie

Walker, Chase Watson, Doug Wilson, Gailya Wilson, Margaret Wolfe, Roger Wolfe.





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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.

**We're on the Web!**  
[www.cherawfirstumc.org](http://www.cherawfirstumc.org)

#### September 25

Lily Branham, Masi Branham, Ok Yo Chang, Linda Coffy, Lyle Coffy, Drew Copeland, Angela Holliday, Danny Lee, Hunter Lee, Keyshawn Melton, Thomas Samuel, Cooper Timmerman, Sara Dee Timmerman, Jason Wall, Becky Wetternek, Nathan Woods

#### October 2

Buddy Brooks, Reba Brooks, Lyle Coffy, Chappell Hurst, IV., Johnnie Johnson, Mary Johnson, Walker Jones, Garrison Moore, Jed Reid, Jan Rogers, Thomas Samuel, Nathan Woods

#### October 9

Ok Yo Chang, Johnnie Johnson, Mary Johnson, Sue Lee, Josephine McDonald

#### October 16

Ok Yo Chang, Linda Coffy, Lyle Coffy, Johnnie Johnson, Mary Johnson, Walker Jones, Olivia Samuel, Thomas Samuel, Becky Wetternek, Chloe Wetternek, Liz Wetternek, Sofie Wetternek, Taylor Wetternek

## Birthdays and Anniversaries in November

### BIRTHDAYS

Nov. 1 Alanna Leviner  
Nov. 2 Charlie Ruffner  
Nov. 3 Norma Cobb  
Nov. 6 Dannie Lee  
Nov. 9 Mason Tomberlin, Randell Rumph  
Nov. 10 Jake Keefe  
Nov. 12 Joyce Quick, James Keefe, Ruth (Sis) Funderburk  
Nov. 13 Patricia Turner  
Nov. 15 Betty Canipe  
Nov. 17 Harry Board  
Nov. 18 Carole Hennessee, David McLean  
Nov. 19 Caroline Crouse  
Nov. 20 Pete Owens, Robert Kessler

Nov. 21 Nathan Rogers, Ruth Middleton, Nancy Kimrey

Nov. 24 Gwen Sullivan, Eric Dusa

Nov. 25 Kim Roddy

Nov. 26 Bonnie Cundiff, Jeff Kollitz

Nov. 27 Martha A. Griggs

Nov. 28 Thomas McKinnon

Nov. 29 Shep Straughn, Cheryl Joplin, Linda Smith

### ANNIVERSARIES

Nov. 6 M&M Woody Rogers

Nov. 17 M&M Keith Smith

Nov. 24 M&M Jay Lewis

Nov. 30 M&M Ron Buffington



*Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary*

# November Calendar

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## Wednesday, November 2, 2016

Sunday, November 6 Bulletin Deadline, 12:00pm

WATF Meal, 5:30-6:30pm, Fellowship Hall

WATF UMYF Meal and Activities, 5:30, Fellowship Hall/Youth Hut

WATF Adult Bible Study, 6:30-7:30pm, Fellowship Hall

WATF for UMYF, 5:30-7:30pm

## Sunday, November 6, 2016

Sunday School, 10:00am

Worship, 11:00am

## Monday, November 7, 2016

Staff Meeting, 10:00am, Pastor's Office

Deadline to sign up for WATF meal, 12:00pm

YMKF (K-5), 3:30pm, Kid's Nook

Boy Scouts, 6:00pm, Scout Hut

## Tuesday, November 8, 2016

UMW Circle #4, 3:00pm, Parlor

UMW Circle #3, 7:00pm

## Wednesday, November 9, 2016

Sunday, November 13 Bulletin Deadline 12:00pm

WATF Meal, 5:30-6:30pm, Fellowship Hall

WATF UMYF Meal and Activities, 5:30, Fellowship Hall/Youth Hut

WATF Adult Bible Study, 6:30-7:30pm, Fellowship Hall

WATF for UMYF, 5:30-7:30pm

## Sunday, November 13, 2016

United Methodist Men's Breakfast, 8:30am, Fellowship Hall

Sunday School, 10:00am

Worship, 11:00am

Parlor Rented

## Monday, November 14, 2016

Staff Meeting, 9:30am, Pastor's Office

Deadline to sign up for WATF meal, 12:00pm

YMKF (K-5), 3:30pm, Kid's Nook

Boy Scouts, 6:00pm, Scout Hut

## Wednesday, November 16, 2016

Sunday, November 20 Bulletin Deadline, 12:00pm

WATF Meal, 5:30-6:30pm, Fellowship Hall

WATF UMYF Meal and Activities, 5:30, Fellowship Hall/Youth Hut

WATF Adult Bible Study, 6:30-7:30pm, Fellowship Hall

WATF for UMYF, 5:30-7:30pm

## Thursday, November 17, 2016

J.O.Y. Club Meeting, 12:00pm, Fellowship Hall

## Friday, November 18, 2016

November Newsletter Deadline

## Saturday, November 19, 2016

Christmas Rehearsal, 10:00am

Christmas Rehearsal, 5:30pm

## Sunday, November 20, 2016

Sunday School, 10:00am

Worship, 11:00am, Loyalty Sunday

Loyalty Sunday Covered Dish Meal, 12:00pm, Fellowship Hall

Community Thanksgiving Meal, 6:00pm, Sanctuary

## Monday, November 21, 2016

Staff Meeting, 10:00am, Pastor's Office

Sunday, October 30 Bulletin Deadline, 12:00pm

YMKF (K-5), 3:30pm, Kid's Nook

Boy Scouts, 6:00pm, Scout Hut

## Wednesday, November 23, 2016

Office Closed, Thanksgiving Holiday

## Thursday, November 24, 2016

Office Closed, Thanksgiving Holiday

## Friday, November 25, 2016

Office Closed, Thanksgiving Holiday

## Sunday, November 27, 2016

Sunday School, 10:00am

Worship, 11:00am

## Monday, November 28, 2016

Staff Meeting, 10:00am, Pastor's Office

Deadline to sign up for WATF meal, 12:00pm

YMKF (K-5), 3:30pm, Kid's Nook

Boy Scouts, 6:00pm, Scout Hut

## Wednesday, November 30, 2016

Sunday, December 4 Bulletin Deadline, 12:00pm

WATF Meal, 5:30-6:30pm, Fellowship Hall

WATF UMYF Meal and Activities, 5:30, Fellowship Hall/Youth Hut

WATF Adult Bible Study, 6:30-7:30pm, Fellowship Hall

WATF for UMYF, 5:30-7:30pm