

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

### Sunday, November 20, 2016

10:00am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship Service  
12:00pm Loyalty Sunday Celebration Luncheon (Covered Dish)  
6:00pm Community Thanksgiving Service (FUMC)

### Monday, November 21, 2016

9:30am Staff Meeting  
6:00pm Boy Scout Meeting (Scout Hut)

### Wednesday, November 23-25, 2016

Office Closed Thanksgiving Holliday

### Sunday, November 27, 2016

10:00am Sunday School  
11:00am Worship Service

### SERVING TODAY

**Greeter:** JoAnne Morgan  
**Lobby Door Greeter:** Jim Crawford, Rhett Butler  
**Altar Guild:** Sara Sanderson and Charlotte Crosby  
**Next Week's Lay Reader:** Lib Norton  
**Flowers Next Sunday:** Advent Poinsettias  
**Counters:** Jeff Johnson, Betty Hurst, Jerry Therrell  
**Alternate Counter:** David McLean, Walter Crosby  
**Nursery:** Caroline Berry & Jean Assef  
**Worship Attendance, Nov. 13** —122; **Attendance in Sunday School, Nov. 13** — 90  
**Received to Date:** \$360,660.26 **Expenses to Date:** \$356,278.72  
**Needed Weekly:** \$6,523.01 **Received week of Nov. 13:** \$9,354.36

### FUMC STAFF

Rev. Ken Timmerman, Pastor (timmerman@sc.rr.com)  
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First United Methodist Church  
A Service of Christian Worship  
The church with a heart, in the heart of Cheraw.  
**November 20, 2016**  
**Christ the King**  
**Liturgical Color: White**



**\*\*Please take a moment and silence your cellphone for the duration of the worship service.**  
**This is a sacred time when God communes with His people.**

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

**\*Call to Worship** Rev. Ken Timmerman

**\*Hymn No. 694 in the Hymnal** "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

**\*Invocation** Rev. Timmerman

### Opening Prayer (In Unison)

Lord, we have many loyalties in this world that stretch from our families to careers to college and university teams for which we cheer. Thank you for this hour where we can focus on the church. Remind us of the vows of membership we took and the profession of faith that claimed us as the Body of Christ. Your care for us never fails and we are grateful that when we call upon your name you always listen and answer. Tune our ears and hearts to hear and sing your grace this morning. Empower us to boldly stand up and be counted among the faithful. Let us never be ashamed of our faith and help us to have a heavenly pride in the mission and work of our church. We have been in this community for a long time. Help us do what is necessary for us to continue our presence and work in Cheraw. It is always to your Glory and in the name of Christ we pray. AMEN.

### Life Lessons for Young Learners

**Psalter No. 832-833 in the Hymnal** **Psalms 111** Pam Baker, Lay Reader

**\*Affirmation of Faith No. 881** **The Apostles' Creed** Lay Reader

### \*Gloria Patri

**Pastoral and Lord's Prayer** Rev. Timmerman

**Gathering God's Tithes and Our Offerings** Rev. Timmerman

### \*Offertory

**\*Doxology No. 95** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Old 100th

### \*Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

<b>*Hymn No. 131 in the Hymnal</b>	<b>“We Gather Together”</b>	
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	<b>II Corinthians 2: 15-3:6</b>	Rev. Timmerman
<b>Sermon</b>	<b>“Grace Through Loyalty”</b>	Rev. Timmerman
<b>*Hymn No. 172 in the Hymnal</b>	<b>“My Jesus, I Love Thee”</b>	
	<i>(During the hymn you are invited to come to the chancel rail, kneel, pray to God, then return to your pew when ready.)</i>	
<b>*Benediction</b>		Rev. Timmerman

**\*Postlude**

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

*The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today in honor of J.G. “Pete” Owens’ 95th birthday today. We love you. Given by your children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.*

**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 Rev. Ken at the church office at 843-537-7002.

**OUR PRAYER LIST** — our President, all who defend our nation, Sue Nichols (Pam Humphries’ mother), Larry Heustess (Lynn Tweed’s friend), Chap Allison (Holly Miles’ friend), Bobby Sellers (Angie Smith’s uncle), Missy Robinson Family (Sue McManus’ friend), Raul Wetternek, Micki Lockey, Carl Li, Garrett White (Jay & Elizabeth Bennett’s son), Miriam H. Michaels (Judy Jones’ sister), Calvin Freeman (Betty Board’s brother), Jim Curry (Betty Board’s cousin), Joe Reid, Kristina Roy (Mason Tomberlin’s roommate), Shirley Walton Family, Jimmy Lisenby (Ray McManus’ friend), Sue McManus (death of her brother-in-law), Gerald King Family. **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

**EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION** — If you should have an emergency and need Rev. Ken over the weekend, when the office is not open, please call the church office 843-537-7002 and it will be forwarded to Rev. Ken’s phone.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX MINISTRY** — Shoeboxes are due into the church office today.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (OCC) WORKDAY** — If you would like to go to the distribution center for OCC, we will go on Wednesday, November 23. There are 10 places left, so please let Sara know if you want to go. We will leave at 10:00am and return at 8:00pm. This time is subject to change, if an earlier shift comes available.

**ZOAR UMC LIFE NATIVITY DRIVE THROUGH** — Please mark your calendars for the 17th Annual Live Nativity Drive Through at Zoar United Methodist Church on Sunday, December 11 from 6—8:30pm. Also if you would like to play a character in the Christmas Story, set up, cook and serve food, assist with costumes, taking scenes down, or singing in the choir, please contact Sylvia Campbell at 843-623-7572.

**DECORATING THE SANCTUARY** — The Worship Committee and anyone else who would like to help will be decorating the tree and sanctuary after the Community Thanksgiving Service this afternoon.

**COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE** — Tonight at 6:00pm we will host the Annual Community Thanksgiving Service. Numerous pastors from various congregations will provide leadership in the liturgy. Music will come compliments of Pee Dee Union Baptist. The offering will be given to McArn Food Bank and at the close of the service during the final hymn, offerings of staple goods can be brought to the altar rail. We look forward to this service and for all of us to gather as one body.

**THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY** — The church office will be closed on Wednesday-Friday, November 23-25 in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Remember as you give thanks that Thanksgiving is the only official government holiday created for purely religious reasons.

**STEWARDSHIP REPORTING** — Next Sunday we will give a report regarding our Loyalty Commitments. That will include pledged amounts and estimates of what the 2017 budget will require in giving. If you do not make a pledge on Loyalty Sunday, you may still make one in the weeks ahead. If you do not turn in a pledge card, your previous years pledge will be put down for 2017. If you must make any kind of adjustment on your 2016 pledge, please contact Angie during regular business hours. The reporting will not be an in-depth report. It will reflect WHAT WE NEED and WHAT WE PLEDGED. We will list the number of giving families we have and the number making a pledge for 2017. No names will be used. What you give to the church is between you and God. Reporting over several weeks will give us a complete picture of support. Thank you.

**ALL IN** — Today is Loyalty Sunday and we share our hopes and dreams for the new year approaching. There is a grand ministry available to us and aren’t we all thankful to God for it? At the conclusion of the service, during the final hymn, please bring your pledge cards to the altar rail and place them there as if placing them into God’s own hand. If you did not remember to bring your card today, there is one provided in the bulletin for your use. Commitments to God are important. They are not supposed to strap us down nor are they to be a burden. Commitments are sacrificial as we commit our time, our service, our attendance, our money, and our prayers to God’s Kingdom. The covered dish meal after worship is for everyone. Such a meal is a tradition that has gone by the wayside in many congregations. We all have full calendars with things to do and places to be. Let’s gather as a family and break bread together in the fellowship hall. It promises to be a wonderful day. Let’s test God at his invitation. The Scriptures have the Lord inviting us to “test him” and see how it is impossible to out give Him. It is a privilege to be part of a church family that cares for one another as this congregation exemplifies. Consider this an early Thanksgiving. And while we may not have turkey and dressing, we will share bounty from each home’s tables. Like the hymn sung in church today. “We gather together to ask the Lord’s blessing.” Blessing are things to seek out...things to ask of the Lord. With smiles on our faces and songs in our hearts, let us cherish our time as family. Let’s by ALL IN. *Ken Timmerman*

**LIFE LINE SCREENING** — Do you have high cholesterol or high blood pressure? Have members of your family suffered from these ailments? Do you have a poor diet? If you answer “yes” to any of these questions, you may want to consider being screened through the services of Life Line Screening. Life Line Screening uses ultrasound technology to view the plaque build up in your carotid arteries, the main arteries that carry blood to the brain. Blockages in these arteries are a leading cause of stroke. We are pleased to host this Life Line Screening event on 12/19/2016 at First United Methodist Church. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441, sign up on the sheet in the lobby by the church office, or go online to [www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners](http://www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners).**