

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, April 23, 2017
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service

Monday, April 24, 2017
2:00pm GriefShare Meeting
5:00pm Finance Committee Meeting (Fred Harris Sunday School Class)
6:00pm Church Council Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, April 25, 2017
10:30am Staff Meeting
5:30pm Weight Watchers

Wednesday, April 26, 2017
12:00pm April 30 Bulletin Deadline
12:30pm Staff Lunch
7:30pm Choir Practice (Choir Room)

Sunday, April 30, 2017
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service (Youth Sunday)
Parlor Rented

SERVING TODAY

Greeters: Jeff Johnson
Lobby Door Greeters: Jerry Therrell, Jerry Carter
Nursery: Caroline Berry & Jean McLean
Next Week's Lay Reader: Margaret Jean Harris
Flowers Next Sunday: OPEN
Counters: Robert Calhoun, Herbert Watts, Brenda Rayfield
Alternate Counter: Doug Marsh
Worship Attendance, April 16 — 258; **Attendance in Sunday School, April 16** — 88
Youth Attendance, April 16 — No Meeting **Bible Study Attendance, April 19** — 49
Received to Date: \$139,969.33 **Expenses to Date:** \$129,861.34
Needed Weekly: \$6,968.15 **Received week of April 16:** \$8,365.81

FUMC STAFF

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First United Methodist Church
A Service of Christian Worship
The church with a heart, in the heart of Cheraw.



April 23, 2017
Second Sunday of Easter
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, putting the sheet in the offering plate.*

***Call to Worship**

***Hymn No. 467 in the Hymnal** "Trust and Obey"

***Opening Prayer (In Unison)** Joey Mills, Liturgist
We thank you, O God, that our purpose is to trust and obey your will. As we worship today, help us to discover your will for us through the singing of hymns, the readings of the Scriptures, and from the preached word. Forgive us when we wander away from your inspiration and try to make it on our own. Help our independent spirits to surrender this morning to your guidance. As we profess our love for you, remind us that such professions must bear the fruit of faithfulness. We are listening for you to speak to us today, O Lord, for it is in your holy name we pray. AMEN.

Life Lessons for Young Learners Jenny Keefe

Old Testament Reading Psalm 32:1-11 Liturgist

***Affirmation of Faith No. 881 in the Hymnal** "The Apostle's Creed" Liturgist

***Gloria Patri**

Pastoral Prayer/The Lord's Prayer Sammy Quick, Lay Leader

Gathering God's Tithes and Our Offerings
***Offeratory** "It is Well With My Soul" Brenne Fisher, Soprano
***Doxology No. 95** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" Old 100th
***Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

***Hymn No. 420 in the Hymnal** "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

The Prayer for Illumination (In Unison)
Come, Holy Spirit. Unlock the Truth and inspire our hearts that we may be led in the Way that leads to eternal life. AMEN

Scripture **Philippians 4: 10-13** Lay Leader

Sermon "Contentment" Lay Leader

***Hymn No. 419 in the Hymnal** "I Am Thine, O Lord"

***Benediction**

***Postlude**
***Please stand if able.**

The flowers are placed in the sanctuary today to the glory of God and in memory of F. Garland Streete and Elizabeth King Streete Traynham by the Traynham Estate.

The rose on the altar is given by Larry and Kay Spears in honor of the birth of their granddaughter, Anna Kay Gavin. Anna was born on April 11, and is the daughter of Amy and Patrick Gavin and joins her big sister Sara Rose.

The rose on the altar is given by Becky Wetternek in honor of the birth of her grandson, Bentley Jackson Williams. Bentley was born on April 11, and is the son of Elizabeth Wetternek and Taylor Williams.

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), Bobby Sellers (Angie Smith's uncle), Raul Wetternek, Carl Li, Amy Smith, Sis Funderburk, Catherine & Carter Kenny (Mary & Johnny Johnson's grandchildren), Jane Mayhew, Ruby Sims (Jane Mayhew's friend), Erika O'Neil (Theodore Burns' friend), Nancy Walters (Charlotte Crosby's sister), Mary Burr, Stan Quick, Meg Redlin, Kit Canada (Connie Funderburk's son), Judy Quick (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.**

SYMPATHY — FUMC extends our heartfelt sympathy to Julia Jones upon the death of her sister, Miriam Michaels.

REMINDER — Everyone who purchased a Relay for Life T-Shirt is reminded to wear it to church next Sunday.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING — The Finance Committee will meet on Monday, April 24 at 5:00pm in the Fred Harris Classroom.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING — The Church Council will meet on Monday, April 24 at 6:00pm in the fellowship hall. Reports should be submitted for record on what has already been done by your committee/ministry team. Planning during this meeting should be for future work to be done by your committee/ministry team.

EPWORTH IS OUR MINISTRY! — Did you know that in the last year Epworth Children's Home gave 150 children a safe and loving place to call home? Each of these children had this opportunity because people and church's like us embrace and provide for this wonderful ministry for the children and families in South Carolina. We will participate in the annual Mother's Day Offering on Sunday, May 14, to benefit the children who call Epworth home. Please be in prayerful consideration of what God is calling you to give to this valuable and life changing ministry. For more information about Epworth Children's Home, you can visit them on the web at www.epworthchildrenshome.org.

GRAUDATES INFORMATION — If you or your child is graduating from college this year, please let Angie know. The Christian Education Ministry Team would like to send some information to them.

RELAY FOR LIFE — We show no mercy against cancer!!! The 2017 Relay for Life of Chesterfield County is Friday, May 5 at Chesterfield High School Football Stadium; the goal for Chesterfield County is \$113,000. What's your life worth? How can you help? [WE HAVE ENOUGH SOFT DRINKS AND WATER, PLEASE PURCHASE LUMINARIES.](#) 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.

MERCILESS METHODIST RELAY STATUS — These are the amounts that we have to date: Luminaries 137 (**we had 208 last year, we need you to purchase luminaries today**); Tee Shirts 44; Soft Drinks/Water 18; Purple Ribbons 1; Business Signs 2.

WATF — There will be no WATF Bible Study this Wednesday.

UMYF BEACH RETREAT, JULY 16-21 — Sign up and a deposit of \$100.00 is due by May 22.

YOUTH SUNDAY — Will be held on April 30. Please make plans to attend.

PARSON TO PERSON — The United Methodist Church is proudly a church that celebrates the "priesthood of all believers." That, simply state, means we do not have just a clergy led church. All have ministries to discover and many are led to speak on God's behalf. I remember people who mattered to me when I was young and in St. John Graniteville. Ollie Eubanks, Charlie Peters, Penny McKeown, Nell Medlock, and Pappy Couch were all good people who lived out their faith and were never afraid to speak about it. They also took time to encourage young people like me to do the right thing. My life has been blessed by these folks.

We have folks in this church who model the faith and speak about Christ. Sammy Quick will be preaching this morning in my absence. I am with the young confirmands for a Confirmation Retreat at Lake Junaluska along with Sara Sanderson and Allison Becker. Joey Mills will serve as liturgist today and lead the service. Jenny Keefe will do the Life Lessons for Young Learners. There will be good music as always.

I am thankful for the leadership of laity in worship. The church wouldn't be in the great shape it is without key lay leadership. I am personally thankful for all who lead worship today. The impressions we make can be life lasting. *Ken Timmerman*