

OUR PRAYER LIST — Our President, all who defend our nation, all who make decisions for our nation, all who work for the government and are currently struggling financially, Sue Nichols (Pam Humphries' mother), Sis Funderburk, Jane Mayhew, Jeff Treadaway (Angie Smith's friend), Gina Reid Merriman Family (Renie Seels' cousin), David Freeman (Brooke Freeman's Father-in-law), Lynda Coleman (Jenny Outen's friend), Lib Eddins (Scott Eddins' mother), Lila Grace Price (Granddaughter of Brooke Freeman), Phillip Caulder, Judy Quick, Debbie Butler (Sally Smith's friend), Joyce Quick, C. C. Quick, Mary Ann Stalnaker (Judy Dixon's mother), Mondell Brasington (Debbie Adam's mother), Missy Walters (Charlotte Crosby's niece), James McCall, Mr. & Mrs. Billy Rivers (Martha Starling's friends), Tony Thraikill (Betty Thraikill's son), Sarah Jane Moore James (Betty Hurst's friend), Stephanie Taetz and Family (Betty Hurst's friend), Billy Woodward (Curtis Jones' friend), Lynn Tweed, Jerry Catoe Family (Jenny Keefe's cousin), Charles Watson (Chase Watson's dad), Betty Thraikill, Joe Baker (Pam Baker's Brother-in-law), Cecelia Barfield and family (Norma Cobb's friend), Mickey Jones (Joey Mills' friend). **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, March 17, 2019

10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service
5:00pm Fireflies Children's Ministry (Kid's Nook)
5:00pm Youth Fellowship (Youth Hut and Fellowship Hall)

Monday, March 18, 2019

Pastor Kim's Day Off
5:00pm Plam Meeting (Kinsey Mulloy Classroom)
6:00pm Cub Scouts, Fellowship Hall
6:30pm Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)
Newsletter Deadline

Tuesday, March 19, 2019

8:00am Walkie Talkies (State Park)
2:00pm Sunday, March 24 Bulletin Deadline
5:30pm Weight Watchers (Fellowship Hall)
6:00pm Trustees Meeting (Harris SS Classroom)

Wednesday, March 20, 2019

12:00pm Lenten Lunch (First Baptist Church, Cheraw)
6:15pm Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Pastor Kim at Bishops Leadership Conference

Thursday, March 21, 2019

8:00am Walkie Talkies (Arrowhead Park)
12:00pm J.O.Y Club Lunch (Fellowship Hall)
Pastor Kim at Bishops Leadership Conference

Friday, March 22, 2019

Pastor Kim at Bishops Leadership Conference

Saturday, March 23

9:30-11:30am Hartsville District UM Day with Bishop (Bethel UMC Sumter)

Sunday, March 24, 2019

10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship Service – Youth Sunday
5:00pm Fireflies Children's Ministry (Kid's Nook)
5:00pm Youth Fellowship (Youth Hut and Fellowship Hall)

J.O.Y. CLUB: The J.O.Y Club will meet on Thursday, March 21 at noon in the fellowship hall. Hostesses this month are Ruth Bays and Sara Murray. Cost of the meal is \$7.00 per person. Sign up with your caller or Mary Burr (843-537-3920) by noon on Monday, March 18th. Come join us for fun, fellowship and good food!

FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED: Peanut butter, spaghetti sauce, spaghetti noodles, canned meats, canned soups, and fruit cups.

UMW RADA PRODUCTS: The UMW have a new shipment of RADA Products. See JoAnne Morgan or call her at (843-537-3537) if you are interested in purchasing any of these new items.

MOTORS IN THE MORNING CRUISE-IN/FLY-IN EVENT: Watson's Hot Rod Garage is proud to present it's semi-annual Motors in the Morning Cruise-In/Fly-In event at Cheraw Municipal Airport on Saturday, March 30 from 10am-3pm. This is our 4th event, and we hope for it to be the best one yet. The best part about this event is it is 100% free to attend. With dozens of sponsors, Motors in the Morning will continue to offer the fun, fast cars and fellowship for the whole family. On March 30 from 10am-3pm, come out and participate in the cruise in and enjoy the bounce house for the kids, a silent auction, a corn hole tournament, 50/50 raffle, music, and some of the most beautiful vehicles to travel both the ground and air anywhere. We look forward to seeing you at the event as we attempt to continue to raise funds for Cheraw High School's Braves in Business program. This program has helped multiple seniors obtain employment since 2017 through character building lessons and work skill training at the high school. We can't wait to see you at Cheraw Municipal Airport for Motors in the Morning on March 30 from 10am-3pm.

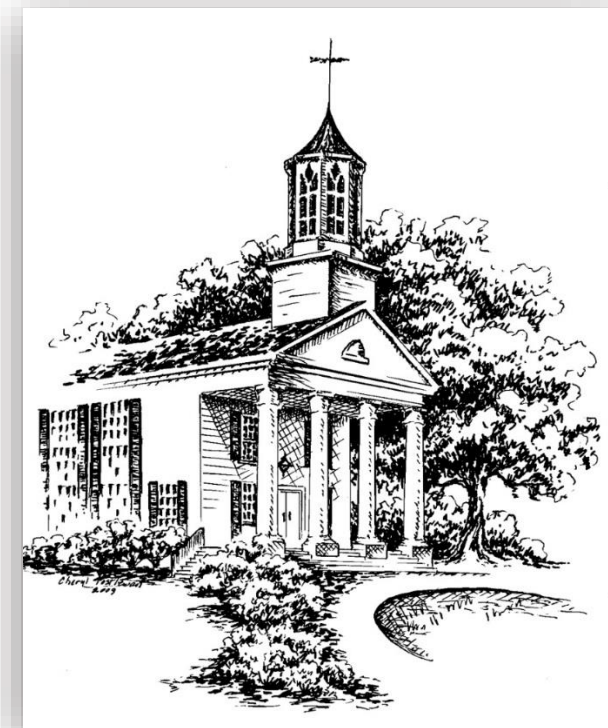
THE BISHOP IS COMING! Hartsville District Day is Saturday, March 23, 2019 at 9:30am. You are invited to join Bishop Jonathan Holston in a Town Hall setting at Bethel UMC in Sumter. Church address is: 5575 Lodebar Road.

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A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

MARCH 17, 2019

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

LITURGICAL COLOR: PURPLE

A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

****Please take a moment to silence your cell phones before Holy Worship begins. Thank you.**

Prelude: Welcome to every visitor. Please sign the attendance pad and pass it to everyone on the pew, putting the sheet in the offering plate.

Welcome and Announcements

**Call to Worship (responsively):*

Jacob Rohde, Lay Reader

L: Always there is a choice – the God of Christ Jesus or the things of this world for which people sell their souls.

P: We cannot have it both ways.

L: As the prophet Elijah declared long ago, “How long does it take to make up your mind?”

P: If the Lord is God, then follow Him. If idols are your gods, then serve them.

L: The Lord is our God and greatly to be praised! He is to be honored above all worldly gods!

P: We will declare God’s glory among the nations! We will celebrate God’s love among all races on earth!

**Hymn No. 338*

“Where He Leads Me”

Prayer of Confession (as a group)

O God, sometimes the journey is too much; we can’t go on, and we complain that we are all alone. Nobody cares; not even You. Our strength is gone, and we are ready to give up. In those times, when we are consumed with self-pity and convinced there is no hope, send Your Spirit into our hearts to remind us of Your sustaining grace. Strengthen us, so we may go confidently on our journeys, carrying out the mission You have given us. Through Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen

Words of Assurance

Special Music

“Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”

Old Testament Lesson

1 Kings 18: 20-40

**Gloria Patri No. 70*

Message

“Reasons for the Wilderness Journey”

Rev. L. Kim Eanes

**Hymn No. 130*

“God Will Take Care of You”

Gathering God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

**Offertory*

**Doxology No. 95*

**Prayer of Dedication*

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Morning Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer No. 895

**Closing Hymn No. 525*

“We’ll Understand it Better By and By”

**Dismissal with Blessing*

**Postlude*

**Please stand if able.*

MERCILESS METHODISTS: Relay for Life and the Merciless Methodist Relay Team are looking to link up with all First UMC church members who are cancer survivors, as well as any of your friends in the Cheraw community who are cancer survivors. You are invited to join us on May 3rd for our Relay for Life event! This May 3rd event, along with our Survivors Luncheon coming up on April 13th, honors all cancer survivors. Please invite all cancer survivors you know to attend both of these Spring events. Registration for these events includes a "survivor" t-shirt! The following are two convenient ways to register: Contact David Rhode from FUMC or; pick up a Registration Form in the Church Office. Please note that only Originals of these forms are accepted - no photocopies please! And don't forget to sign your Registration Form! If you registered last year, we still need you to "re-up" again for 2019! For more information, go online to: Relayforlife.org/chesterfieldsc. Feel free to contact Jenny Keefe with any further questions you might have. We are looking forward to a terrific and fun 2019 Relay for Life year!

LET’S GO HUNTING! The Annual First UMC Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Palm Sunday, April 14, immediately after worship. Over the next several weeks, we are asking you to bring packages of plastic eggs, as well as bags of candy (small enough to fit in eggs) for this annual Children’s event! More details will be upcoming – as we are planning a church-wide celebration for this day! So mark your calendars now!

DO YOU LIKE PICKLES? Okay...maybe a taste for pickles has nothing to do with playing Pickleball, but First UMC is putting together a Women’s Pickleball team (we challenge the men to put together their own team as well!)? We are planning to designate one night per week to play Pickleball on the court in Cheraw, next to the library. A “Pickleball Workshop” is being planned for the upcoming weeks so that we can “learn before we play”! Please call the church office and/or Pastor Kim if you are interested in being part of this new and exciting fellowship group!

A NEW MINISTRY FOR YOU! Our Nurture and Care Committee is offering a new transport ministry by members of First UMC. If you or a loved one needs a ride to a doctor’s appointment or medical errand, please call the church office. We have several volunteers on the roster ready and willing to give you a lift, physically and spiritually! But remember, we can’t help if you don’t ask! So call the church office today and let our sisters and brothers in Christ serve you!

LUNCH ANYONE? The Cheraw Ministerial Association is hosting our annual Community Lenten Luncheons again this year! Every Wednesday at Noon, we gather at First Baptist Church in Cheraw for soup, sandwiches, beverages, dessert, fellowship, and worship! Our own church, First UMC hosts lunch on Wednesday, March 27th. Please join us each week!

2019 OFFICERS LISTS: Committee and Leadership Lists are available in the church lobby. Please help yourself!

CHANGE OF SCHEDULE! Please be aware of the following changes in our weekly calendar of events for March 17-March 23. There will be NO WATF Meal or Study, and there will be NO Women’s Thursday Bible Study. Pastor Kim will be attending the Bishops Leadership Conference from 9am, Wednesday, 3/20 until 12:30pm, Friday, 3/22.

Thank you to Beth Maier for providing our worship music today.

SERVING TODAY

Greeters: M&M Harold Lomas	Head Usher: Theodore Burns
Lobby Door Greeters: Jim Crawford, Rhett Butler	Acolyte: Peyton Taylor
Nursery: Nancy Wagnon, Pat Barham	Hostess: Lib Norton
Next Week’s Lay Reader: Sophia Prevatte	McArn Items: Canned meats
Flowers Next Sunday: Reserved	
Deposit Team: Jeff Johnson	
Deposit Team Alternates: David McLean, Walter Crosby	
Worship Attendance, March 10 –135; Sunday School Attendance, March 10 – 76	
Year to Date Income: \$80,628.65; Year to Date Expenses: \$83,197.02	

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