UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, April 12, 2020

7:00am Online Easter Sunrise Worship

(www.cherawfirstumc.org)

10:00am NO Sunday School

11:00am Online Resurrection Sunday Worship (www.cherawfirstumc.org)

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5:00pm **NO** MYF 5:00pm **NO** Fireflies

Monday, April 13, 2020

Office closed

5:00pm **NO** Plarn Meeting (Kinsey Mulloy Classroom)

6:00pm NO Cub Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

6:30pm NO Boy Scouts (Scout Hut)

Tuesday, April 14, 2020

Office closed

11:00am <u>NO</u> Adult Exercise with Betsy Vaughn (Fellowship Hall)

12:00pm April 19 Bulletin Deadline (Announcements)

Wednesday, April 15, 2020

10am-Noon Church office open 1:00-5:00pm Church office open

6:00pm NO WOW Study (Study will be emailed)

Thursday, April 16, 2020

10am-Noon Church office open

10:30am NO "Fierce" Bible Study (Study will be emailed)

1:00-5:00pm Church office open

Friday, April 17, 2020

10am-Noon Church office open 1:00-5:00pm Church office open

Sunday, April 19, 2020

10:00am NO Sunday School

11:00am Online Sunday Worship Celebration (www.cherawfirstumc.org)

5:00pm **NO** MYF

5:00pm NO Fireflies

OUR PRAYER LIST — Our President, our Congress, all Governors, Mayors, State, County, and Local employees, all health care workers, EMT's, all who defend our nation, all who make decisions for our nation, Jane Mayhew, Phillip Caulder, Debbie & Randy Butler (Sally Smith's friend), Mary Ann Stalnaker (Judy Dixon's mother), Mondell Brasington (Debbie Adam's mother), James McCall, Billy Woodward (Curtis Jones' friend), Curtis Jones, Charles Watson (Chase Watson's dad), Jane Campbell, Jeff Foster, Mabel Foster, Betty Thrailkill, Jerry & Sarah Margaret Therrell, Jim Bennett, Linda Freeman (Sally Smith's friend), Kevin Tietze (Kristina Allen's Brother), Margaret Stanton, Howard Williamson (Martha Starling's Brother), Chris Thrailkill (Betty Thrailkill's son), Jackie Tyner (Kelly Dusa's friend), Holly Kimrey Haire (Betty Hurst's niece), Gene Brymer (Kelly Dusa's friend), Ellen Hurst (Kelly Dusa's friend), Margie Wannamaker Family, Gladys Sweeney. NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.

FLOWER CALENDAR: The 2020 Flower Calendar is posted in the lobby! Please sign up for one or more Sundays of your choosing! And remember, your dedications can be both in honor or in memory of a person ... in celebration of an event ... or in thanksgiving for something/someone!

Year to Date Income: \$81,958.91 Year to Date Expenses: \$75,701.04

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THE CHURCH WITH A HEART, IN THE HEART OF CHERAW

A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

APRIL 12, 2020

EASTER SUNDAY

LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE

A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

TIME OF CENTERING

SPECIAL MUSIC "Look Up Child"

Caroline Crouse, Mary Crouse, Mary Lynn Hart Watkins

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please consult pages 3-4 of today's bulletin as well as The Connection insert.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

- L: We gather in the name of the risen Lord.
- P: CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!
- L: We gather as sisters and brothers of the resurrected One.
- P: CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!
- L: We gather to share our faith and to worship God.
- P: CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!
- L: We gather to proclaim the good news of Easter!
- P: CHRIST IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

OPENING PRAYER

OPENING SONG OF PRAISE NO.302 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" Mary Lynn Hart Watkins
Margaret Jean Harris and Vincent Prevatte on Trumpet

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH I Believe In Jesus! John Wagnon

SHARING OF PRAYER JOYS AND CONCERNS (Please consult the Prayer List on the back of the bulletin.)

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER NO. 895

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Colossians 3: 1-17

HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 307 "Christ Is Risen" Mary Lynn Hart Watkins

GOSPEL LESSON Mark 16: 1-8

WITNESS TO THE WORD "Easter Is Essential!" Rev. L. Kim Eanes

HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 310 "He Lives" Mary Lynn Hart Watkins

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

CLOSING HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 322 "Up From the Grave He Arose" Mary Lynn Hart Watkins

EASTER DISMISSAL (responsively):

- L: When others dismiss your story as an idle tale, who will you be?
- P: RESURRECTION PEOPLE WITH EASTER IN OUR HEARTS!
- L: When the world seems to be crumbling around you, remember who you are:
- P: RESURRECTION PEOPLE WITH EASTER IN OUR HEARTS!
- L: When despair would seem to squelch all hope, believe in who you have become:
- P: RESURRECTION PEOPLE WITH EASTER IN OUR HEARTS!
- L: When it is hard to persevere against all odds, trust in God who names you as:
- P: RESURRECTION PEOPLE WITH EASTER IN OUR HEARTS!
- L: As we follow Christ into the world, may God help us to always remember, we are...
- P: RESURRECTION PEOPLE WITH EASTER IN OUR HEARTS!

POSTLUDE "Easter Song"

Caroline Crouse, Mary Crouse, Mary Lynn Hart Watkins

WE NEED YOU! Please keep in mind that this is a great time of need for all, and thus our FUMC ministries, missions, and church administrative operations still depend upon your continued generous giving! Thank you!

INFORMATION ABOUT CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19): To view South Carolina United Methodist Bishop L. Jonathan Holston's statements of recommendation for dealing with the COVID-19 pandemic in local churches, please go to www.umcsc.org. On that website, you will find the Bishop's statements on COVID-19, dated March 12th, March 17th, as well as his most recent statement posted March 28th, regarding the suspension of in-person worship through April 30th. You will also have access to the Bishop's daily prayers on this same Conference website. And, also provided are links to the decision regarding the postponement of General Conference, 2020. Stay informed! Stay updated!

CHURCH OFFICE OPERATIONS: As we continue under current COVID-19 Guidelines and Restrictions, your FUMC office will continue to operate in the following manner and according to the following schedule: Administrative Assistant Angie Smith is working from home, answering phones through our Remote Call System per her regular office hours of Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 8:30am-4:30pm, with one hour closed for lunch (Noon-1pm). So that all calls may be handled in a timely manner, please try to limit your calls to five minutes or less, since the Remote Rollover Phone System allows for only one line to receive calls. Angie will also be handling all typical support staff business from her remote location, including monitoring the FUMC Facebook page. Pastor Kim will be available at the church office per the following schedule: Tuesdays, 2pm-5pm; Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, 10am-Noon & 1pm-5pm. This schedule will allow our FUMC office to still be open our regular 21 hours per week, to meet the needs of both FUMC members as well as the Cheraw community. During these hours, Pastor Kim will continue to prepare worship bulletins, daily One Call devotions, weekly Bible Study resources, and Sunday messages, as well as address all other Administrative business matters that arise. Both Angie and Pastor Kim will be monitoring the answering machine during non-office hours, so feel free to leave a voicemail on the church office machine as well. Thank you for your understanding and for your cooperation with these temporary adjustments.

ONE CALL COMMUNICATIONS: First UMC is using our One Call Communication System quite frequently during this time of restriction and social separation caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. This One Call System involves a pre-recorded message from FUMC which comes automatically to your pre-selected phone number, reporting the latest news/notifications/messages. The One Call System is absolutely free, and your number can be added to the system very easily. If you are not yet registered, just call or email the church office with your selected/preferred phone number, and Angie will import your number into the system. In this time of forced social distancing, let's make sure to NOT simultaneously practice emotional distance!

RELAY FOR LIFE ACTIVITIES: For the safety of our staff and volunteers, the American Cancer Society, Southeast Region (Charlotte) has closed their offices to the public until further notice. All events including the Relay for Life of Chesterfield County and in-person meetings have been suspended through mid-May.

RESURRECTION DAY FLOWER CROSS: A beautiful tradition our FUMC family celebrates every year for Easter, is our Resurrection Day Flower Cross. And this year is no different! Our Flower Cross IS ON DISPLAY TODAY, on the exterior front porch of our Sanctuary. Throughout TODAY, you are invited to add flowers to the cross, and take family pictures by the cross! As you share in this beautiful FUMC tradition, you are reminded to please practice safe social distancing according to our current COVID-19 Guidelines. Please pull up into the driveway in front of the sanctuary, leaving plenty of distance between any other vehicles and individuals who are there. If everyone works together, we can still enjoy this special tradition even amidst this most unusual season of our lives.

SAFETY FIRST! During these times of reduced activity at the church, as well as reduced staffing on a daily basis, it is extremely essential that the church alarm be engaged at all times when the church is closed. If you enter and exit the building at any time, and you are the last one to depart, please be sure to ENGAGE THE ALARM as you exit. Thank you.

