

UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

Sunday, May 17, 2020

10:00am **NO** Sunday School
11:00am Online Worship Celebration
(www.cherawfirstumc.org)
5:00pm **NO** MYF
5:00pm **NO** Fireflies

Monday, May 18, 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, May 19, 2020

Office closed
11:00am **NO** Adult Exercise with Betsy Vaughn
(Fellowship Hall)
12:00pm May 24 Bulletin Deadline (Announcements)
1:00pm Zoom Meeting/Transitions Workshop

Wednesday, May 20, 2020

Office closed
6:00pm Online Roman's Bible Study (via email)

Thursday, May 21, 2020

Office closed

Friday, May 22, 2020

Office closed

Saturday, May 23, 2020

Recording of May 24th Worship Service

Sunday, May 24, 2020

10:00am **NO** Sunday School
11:00am Online Worship Celebration (www.cherawfirstumc.org)
5:00pm **NO** MYF
5:00pm **NO** Fireflies

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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The Mission of First United Methodist Church is to win and nurture souls for Jesus Christ by sharing and living the message of salvation.



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), Jane Campbell, Jeff Foster, Mabel Foster, Betty Thrailkill, Jerry & Sarah Margaret Therrell, Jim Bennett, Margaret Stanton, Gladys Sweeney, Tony Thrailkill (VA Hosp./Nashville, TN), Kip Gullede. **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

Year to Date Income: \$133,129.11
Year to Date Expenses: \$122,577.32

FUMC STAFF

Rev. L. Kim Eanes, Pastor (cherawpastor@gmail.com) 843-685-3659
Angie Smith, Ministry Assistant (fumcangiesmith@gmail.com)
Holly Haire, Child Development Ministry Director (fcddm@yahoo.com)
Mary Lynn Watkins, Interim Music Director

THE CHURCH WITH A HEART, IN THE HEART OF CHERAW

A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

MAY 17, 2020

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE

A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

TIME OF CENTERING

PRELUDE "Hymn of Promise" Sleeth
Peyton Taylor, Flutist

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

OPENING HYMN NO. 2066 "Praise the Name of Jesus" Worship Team

OPENING PRAYER

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Romans 8:1-17

SPECIAL MUSIC "Honor and Praise" Twila Paris
Judy Dixon, Soprano

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON: Romans 8: 18-31

GLORIA PATRI NO. 70 "Glory be to the Father"

WITNESS TO THE WORD "Shame...On You?" Rev. L. Kim Eanes

RESPONSE TO THE WORD NO. 887 Affirmation from Romans 8:35, 37-39
L: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword?

P: NO! IN ALL THINGS WE ARE MORE THAN CONQUERORS THROUGH THE ONE WHO LOVED US. WE ARE SURE THAT NEITHER DEATH NOR LIFE, NOR ANGELS, NOR PRINCIPALITIES, NOR THINGS PRESENT, NOR THINGS TO COME, NOR POWERS, NOR HEIGHT, NOR DEPTH, NOR ANYTHING ELSE IN ALL CREATION, WILL BE ABLE TO SEPARATE US FROM THE LOVE OF GOD IN CHRIST JESUS OUR LORD. THANKS BE TO GOD! AMEN.

CLOSING SONG OF PRAISE NO. 2117 "Spirit of God" Worship Team

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE "To God Be the Glory" Fanny Crosby
Peyton Taylor, Flutist

THANK YOU! A word of abundant thanks to our Worship Team for their commitment, their consistency, and their camaraderie! Also, thank you to our Special Music Artists this morning, Peyton Taylor on the flute, and Judy Dixon on the vocals! Thanks so much for bringing your additional gifts to our worship celebration!

WE NEED YOU! Please keep in mind that this is a critical time of need for all, some more than others! Our FUMC ministries, missions, and administrative operations are still functioning at full power, and thus, we are dependent upon your continued support! If you are uncomfortable mailing your pledge/giving to the church, you are invited to use the drop box at the exterior entrance door to the Pastor's office. That drop box slot is checked DAILY! Thank you!

INFORMATION ABOUT CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) AND THE UMC: 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 latest statements posted by Bishop Holston as related to our current global pandemic. You will also have access to the Bishop's daily online prayers. Also on the Conference website, are other "headlines of interest" related to postponements and cancellations as a result of COVID-19

CHURCH OFFICE OPERATIONS: Per Pastor Kim's letter dated April 20th, 2020, the FUMC Church Office is closed in conjunction with the closing of the South Carolina United Methodist Conference Headquarters Office. Our Administrative Assistant, Angie Smith, is continuing to answer the church phone from her remote location on Tuesday-Thursday, 8:30AM-4:30PM (with the exception of the lunch hour) per her regular office hours. Pastor Kim's cell phone number is 843/685-3659 and you are invited to call her with any needs you may have. If you do not receive an immediate answer on the church phone or Pastor Kim's cell, please leave a detailed message with a return phone number so that we can assist you as soon as possible. And please remember, CONTINUE TO STAY SAFE AND HEALTHY!

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!

CHURCH EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE: During this time of social distancing and sheltering in place, Pastor Kim has been sending out regular Pastoral Emails updating our faith community on various happenings/business at the church as well as updates/decisions/notifications from the South Carolina UM Conference Headquarters. We want our ENTIRE FAITH FAMILY to be informed of all of this vital information, and so, if your email address is not yet registered with FUMC, please call or email Angie at the church office and let her know of that information so that ... YOU CAN STAY SAFE AND HEALTHY AND ...INFORMED! (fumcangiesmith@gmail.com)

ATTENTION COLLEGE GRADS AND/OR PARENTS: If you have recently graduated from college, please call the FUMC church office immediately and notify us, so that we can honor you at our upcoming GRADUATION SUNDAY CELEBRATION, which is scheduled for JUNE 7th!

FOR EVERYONE'S SAFETY: During this time of OFFICE CLOSURE due to COVID-19 Restrictions from the S.C. United Methodist Conference, for the safety of your FUMC staff who are coming and going to the church on a daily basis, PLEASE BE SURE TO ENGAGE THE ALARM prior to leaving the church. This is an increased time of stress for our community, and hence, it is vital that we practice SAFE OPERATIONS at all times to protect our church staff. If you are uncertain about how to engage/disengage the church alarm, please contact Pastor Kim and she will be happy to guide you. Thank you for your consideration.

MAY/JUNE UPPER ROOMS: If you were unable to pick up a May/June Upper Room during the Drive-Up Distribution Event on Thursday, April 30th, please call Pastor Kim so that she can make one available to you.

CONTINUED FINANCIAL NEEDS: As you know, FUMC's staff responsibilities and ministry activities are continuing to function on a full time basis, which means the physical structure needs of the church are also still ongoing. Your consistent financial gifts even amidst this current global crisis have been very much appreciated. And we pray that you will continue to find joy and satisfaction in the practice of regular "cheerful giving" (2nd Corinthians 9:7) to your home church, FUMC!

J.O.Y CLUB: We will not meet again until September 17, 2020, so please mark your calendars! I pray that everyone is well and has survived the shelter in place restrictions. We look forward to seeing everyone in the Fall. Have a good summer! - Mary Burr