

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

### Sunday, May 24, 2020

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

### Monday, May 25, 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 26, 2020

*Office closed*  
11:00am **NO** Adult Exercise with Betsy Vaughn  
(Fellowship Hall)  
12:00pm May 31 Bulletin Deadline (Announcements)  
1:00pm Zoom Meeting/Transitions Workshop

### Wednesday, May 27, 2020

*Office closed*  
12:00pm Hartsville District Zoom Meeting  
6:00pm Online Roman's Bible Study (via email)

### Thursday, May 28, 2020

*Office closed*

### Friday, May 29, 2020

*Office closed*

### Saturday, May 30, 2020

Recording of May 31<sup>st</sup> Worship Service

### Sunday, May 31, 2020

10:00am **NO** Sunday School  
11:00am Online Worship Celebration ([www.cherawfirstumc.org](http://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), 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:** \$133,919.11  
**Year to Date Expenses:** \$134,276.45

#### FUMC STAFF

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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.



**THE CHURCH WITH A HEART, IN THE HEART OF CHERAW**

**A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP**

**MAY 24, 2020**

**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE**

## A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

### “THE POWER OF THROUGH – THROUGH IT ALL”

TIME OF CENTERING

PRELUDE

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

OPENING HYMN NO. 57 (vs 1-5)                      “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”                      Worship Team

ACT OF PRAISE NO. 848    Psalm 130  
L: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord! Lord, hear my voice!  
**P: LET YOUR EARS BE ATTENTIVE TO THE VOICE OF MY SUPPLICATIONS!**  
L: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?  
**P: BUT THERE IS FORGIVENESS WITH YOU, THAT YOU MAY BE WORSHIPED.**  
L: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, in the Lord's word I hope;  
**P: MY SOUL WAITS FOR THE LORD MORE THAN THOSE WHO WATCH FOR THE MORNING, MORE THAN THOSE WHO WATCH FOR THE MORNING.**  
L: O Israel, hope in the Lord! For with the Lord there is steadfast love, with the Lord is plenteous redemption.  
**P: AND THE LORD WILL REDEEM ISRAEL FROM ALL INIQUITIES.**

A LITTLE BIT OF UNITED METHODIST HISTORY

SONG OF PRAISE NO. 117 (vs 1,2,3,& 6)                      “O God, Our Help in Ages Past”                      Worship Team

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON:    2 Peter 1: 3-8

A LITTLE BIT OF SOUTH CAROLINA UNITED METHODIST HISTORY

SONG OF PRAISE NO. 553 (vs 1,3,4,& 5)                      “And Are We Yet Alive”                      Worship Team

GOSPEL LESSON:    Mark 12: 28-43

A LITTLE BIT OF FIRST UMC, CHERAW HISTORY

SPECIAL MUSIC:    “Church”    Cochren and Co.

A LITTLE BIT OF NATIONAL HISTORY

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER NO. 895

CLOSING SONG OF PRAISE NO. 555                      “Forward Through the Ages ”                      Worship Team

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

**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,

**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](http://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](mailto: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 14th!**

**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.

**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