

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT FUMC

### Sunday, May 3, 2020

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

### Monday, May 4, 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 5, 2020

*Office closed*  
11:00am **NO** Adult Exercise with Betsy Vaughn  
(Fellowship Hall)  
12:00pm May 10 Bulletin Deadline (Announcements)  
1:00pm Zoom Meeting/Transitions Workshop

### Wednesday, May 6, 2020

*Office closed*  
6:00pm Online Prayer and Scripture Service  
([www.cherawfirstumc.org](http://www.cherawfirstumc.org))

**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 Family (Chase Watson's dad), Jane Campbell, Jeff Foster, Mabel Foster, Betty Thrailkill, Jerry & Sarah Margaret Therrell, Jim Bennett, Margaret Stanton, Gladys Sweeney, Patricia Thurman Family (Angie Smith's Aunt), Tony Thrailkill (VA Hosp./Nashville, TN). **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

### Thursday, May 7, 2020

*Office closed*  
10:30am Roman's Bible Study (Online Study only)

### Friday, May 8, 2020

*Office closed*

### Saturday, May 9, 2020

Recording of May 10<sup>th</sup> Worship Service

### Sunday, May 10, 2020

10:00am **NO** Sunday School  
11:00am Online Mother's Day Worship Celebration  
([www.cherawfirstumc.org](http://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.



**Year to Date Income:** \$93,907.83  
**Year to Date Expenses:** \$91,222.59

#### FUMC STAFF

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

**A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP**

**MAY 3, 2020**

**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE**

## A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

TIME OF CENTERING

PRELUDE

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

CALL TO WORSHIP

*L: We are worshiping, today, because, the weeping Mary of Magdala once said:*

**P: I HAVE SEEN THE LORD!**

*L: We are worshiping, today, because Jesus still comes into our locked spaces and says:*

**P: PEACE BE WITH YOU! RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT!**

*L: We are worshiping, today, because we are like doubting Thomas, who cried:*

**P: MY LORD AND MY GOD!**

*L: We are worshiping, today, because we are like Peter, who was tempted to forget the call of Jesus as he said:*

**P: I'M GOING FISHING!**

*L: We are worshiping, today, because Jesus still asks us, face to face:*

**P: DO YOU TRULY LOVE ME?**

*L: We are worshiping, today, because we want to respond:*

**P: YES, LORD, YOU KNOW THAT WE LOVE YOU.**

*L: We are worshiping, today, because many faithful disciples have listened to Jesus' assurance:*

**P: DO NOT BE AFRAID! GO AND TELL! JESUS HAS BEEN RAISED!**

OPENING HYMN NO. 707

"Hymn of Promise"

Worship Team

OPENING PRAYER

Rev. L. Kim Eanes

ACT OF PRAISE NO: 754

Psalms 23 w/Response #2

*(R) L: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.*

**P: THE LORD MAKES ME LIE DOWN IN GREEN PASTURES,**

*L: leads me beside still waters, restores my life,*

**P: LEADS ME IN RIGHT PATHS FOR THE SAKE OF THE LORD'S NAME.**

*L: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil;*

**P: FOR YOU ARE WITH ME; YOUR ROD AND YOUR STAFF, THEY COMFORT ME. (R)**

*L: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;*

**P: YOU ANOINT MY HEAD WITH OIL, MY CUP OVERFLOWS.**

*L: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;*

**P: AND I SHALL DWELL IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD AS LONG AS I LIVE.(R)**

SPECIAL MUSIC

"O Come to the Altar"

Worship Team

GOSPEL LESSON:

John 21: 1-19

GLORIA PATRI NO. 70

"Glory be to the Father"

WITNESS TO THE WORD

"Old Normal or New Normal?"

RESPONSE TO THE WORD NO. 888 "Affirmation From 1 Corinthians 15:1-6 and Colossians 1:15-20"

*L: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:*

**P: CHRIST DIED FOR OUR SINS, WAS BURIED, WAS RAISED ON THE THIRD DAY, AND APPEARED FIRST TO THE WOMEN, THEN TO PETER AND THE TWELVE, AND THEN TO MANY FAITHFUL WITNESSES. WE BELIEVE JESUS IS THE CHRIST, THE ANOINTED ONE OF GOD, THE FIRSTBORN OF ALL CREATION, THE FIRSTBORN FROM THE DEAD, IN WHOM ALL THINGS HOLD TOGETHER, IN WHOM THE FULLNESS OF GOD WAS PLEASED TO DWELL BY THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT. CHRIST IS THE HEAD OF THE BODY, THE CHURCH, AND BY THE BLOOD OF THE CROSS RECONCILES ALL THINGS TO GOD. AMEN.**

CLOSING SONG OF PRAISE NO. 2037

"I Sing Praises to Your Name"

Worship Team

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE

**THANK YOU!** A word of abundant thanks to our Worship Team who continues to provide beautiful and inspiring music, and gorgeous and heartwarming camera angles, for our online worship celebrations! We appreciate you beyond words!!!

**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 now closed in conjunction with the closing of the South Carolina Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church headquarters in Columbia. As consistently advertised in the weekly bulletins, Pastor Kim's contact number is 843-685-3659. This is her personal cell number and you are invited to call her with any church related business. As well, as has been our routine over the past three weeks, you are also invited to call the church office number, which Angie has been answering from her remote location at home, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday, with the exception of the Noon lunch hour. If you do not receive an answer when calling either Pastor Kim's number or the church phone number, please leave a detailed voicemail message, and Pastor Kim or Angie will get back to you as quickly as possible! And please remember, 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!

**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.

**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 last Thursday, 4/30, please call the church office and/or Pastor Kim and we will arrange to 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!