

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

MARCH 28, 2021

PALM SUNDAY

LITURGICAL COLOR: BURLAP

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Judy Dixon & Martha Starling

PRELUDE

"Tell Me the Stories of Jesus" by William H. Parker

Ruth Ann Jones

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIPⁱ

L: Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest heaven!

P: Blessed is the One who comes in the Name of the Lord!

L: Blessed is the One who comes with healing and compassion.

P: Blessed is the One who comes with forgiveness and mercy.

L: Lord, rest your hand of healing on our hearts today.

P: Gracious Jesus, let us walk with you today. AMEN.

OPENING PRAYERⁱⁱ

Lord of abundant pardon and mercy, be with us this day as we parade through the Jerusalem gates, wanting the reign of God to be established immediately in the hearts of all people. Make us aware that fear and anger are powerful motivators for evil. Open our hearts to the words of Jesus, that we might find courage and healing for all our burdens. In his name, we pray. **AMEN.**

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

GLORIA PATRI

John Lineberger, Organist

MORNING PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN NO. 278

"Hosanna Loud Hosanna"

Beth Maier, Organist

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 11: 1-11

Pastor Debra

SERMON

“Salvation Parade”

Pastor Debra

HYMN

“Blessed Be the Name” by Matt Redman

Words in Bulletin

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“All Glory, Laud, and Honor” by St. Theodulph

Ruth Ann Jones

¹ www.ministrymatters.com/palmsunday

¹ Ibid

***All the organ music was pre-recorded**



BLESSED BE THE NAME

Matt Redman

Blessed Be Your Name
In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name

Blessed Be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed Be Your name

Every blessing You pour out, I'll
Turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord
Still I will say
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's 'all as it should be'
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll
Turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord

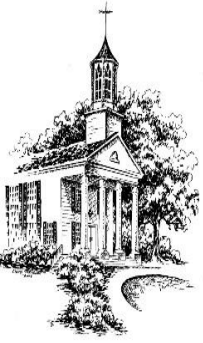
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Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord blessed be Your name

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
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THE CONNECTION

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

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Words from the Pastor...

*"I pray they will be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you." John 17:21
CEB*

Jesus knew he came to Jerusalem to meet death face to face. Chapters thirteen to sixteen of John's gospel record the words and actions Jesus said and did to prepare his disciples for his death and resurrection. Then in chapter seventeen, Jesus prayed for his original disciples and for all the believers who would come after them. Jesus prayed that we would be one with each other and one with our triune God. Jesus continued in verse twenty-one to explain the reason for us to be one. When we are one with each other and God, then the world will believe that Jesus was sent by the Father.

It is humbling and uplifting to know that Jesus prayed for us. Jesus was a man of prayer and daily made the time to pray. Jesus taught us how to pray. We recite the Lord's Prayer together every Sunday. Prayer is another spiritual discipline that Jesus taught us because it is critical for our spiritual growth.

Take time this week to read the entire prayer in John seventeen. Plumb its depths to experience the deep love and connection that God desires for us. Reflect upon oneness between humanity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Imagine what that looks like in your life, in our life together as a church, and in the world. Consider if you and all of us are one with Christ. Focus on the wonderful spiritual discipline of prayer this week and join Jesus praying for us to be one.

Pastor Debra

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 Campbell, Jeff Foster, Mabel Foster, Betty Thrailkill, Jim Bennett, Phillip Caulder, Taylor Novinger (Dr. Novinger's son), Christy Moore (Sally Smith's friend), Becky Thompson, Scott Tomberlin, Charlotte Crosby, Syble Sanderson, Bill Eutsler, Jr (Renie Seel's friend), Sam Eubanks, Betty Board, Margaret Stanton, Emily Marsh. **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED: The UMW have started purchasing cantered meals for bereavement meals due to the COVID-19 restrictions. If you would like to donate to this cause, please mark your check bereavement meals and mail it or drop it off at the church on Sunday morning.

FLOWER CALENDAR: The 2021 flower calendar has been placed in the lobby area. If you would like to sign up for a special Sunday, please sign up on the calendar on Sunday or call the church office and Angie will put your name on the calendar for you.



**Celebrate Holy Week with Us at
First United Methodist Church**

Service of the Palms
Sunday, March 23^d 10:00 a.m.

Maundy Thursday Service
of Holy Communion
Thursday, March 25^h 6:00 p.m.



*First United Methodist Church
Cheraw, South Carolina*

Easter Sunrise Service
with Holy Communion

6:30 a.m.
Church Lawn

Traditional Easter Service

10:00 a.m.
Sanctuary

REVISED FUMC COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS



- ❖ Please enter through the Fellowship Hall Entrance for Sunday School and Worship
- ❖ Ushers will direct people to the pews.
- ❖ Families may sit together in the same pew.
- ❖ Friends who have had vaccines may sit in the same pew.
- ❖ Properly wear a mask when you are in the church buildings.
- ❖ Maintain social distance in the classrooms, hallways, and sanctuary.
- ❖ Keep traffic flowing smoothly by visiting with others outside buildings.
- ❖ Exit Sunday School classrooms at the direction of the Sunday School leaders.
- ❖ Exit worship through the doors at the back of the sanctuary at the direction of the ushers.



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES TO RESUME All Sunday school classes will resume on Sunday, April 11, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. Please contact your Sunday school teacher to let them know you plan to attend. This will insure we have enough books and help us set up classrooms following our safety protocols.

ATTENTION PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN KINDERGARTEN – 5TH GRADE: With Sunday school scheduled to start on April 11 we are needing to know how many children in Kindergarten through 5th grade will be coming to Sunday school at this time.

BOOK AVAILABLE: Copies of the book titled “Resurrection, A Pastor’s Reading of the Major New Testament Resurrection Passages” by Pastor Phil Thrailkill, are available in the church office. They are \$15.00 each and the money is being donated to FUMC.

J.O.Y CLUB: The J.O.Y Club will not be meeting until further notice. Mary and Renie will advise when the first meeting will be.

MEMORIAL GIFTS: If you would like to give an “in memory” gift to FUMC, you may designate it to any area listed below: Contingency Fund, Endowment Fund, Memorial Fund, Music Fund, Adult Exercise Class, Salkehatchie Summer Service, Bus Fund, Youth Ministries, Children’s Ministries, Building Upkeep Fund, Parsonage Upkeep Fund, Grounds Upkeep Fund, Pastor’s Discretionary Fund, Flower Fund, Bereavement Meals, and named Scholarships. Call the church office for more information.

Backpack Food Ministry Update

We have reached our the first, second, and third tier goals. We now have the funds to provide for three months of food for 50 students! Thank you to all who have contributed so far. We will continue to collect money for this important ministry through Easter Sunday. All donations collected will be given to the backpack food ministry. You may donate by placing cash or checks in the backpack on the table in the lobby on Sunday mornings. Or you may mail or bring in your donation to the church office. Be sure to put meal backpack ministry in the memo section of your check and/or on your envelope.





Nurture and Care Ministry Reaching Hearts

First United Methodist Church's Nurture and Care ministry works extremely hard to help shut-ins stay connected with our church especially during the covid-19 pandemic. Phone calls, cards, and gifts help those who cannot attend church at this time know we love them and are thinking about them. The transport ministry has provided rides for several individuals to doctor's appointments. If you would like to be contacted by one of our ministry volunteers, or if you need a ride to a doctor's appointment, please contact the church office at 843-537-7002.



Join us for virtual worship when you cannot be here in person. Sunday Morning Worship Services are recorded each week in the sanctuary. The service is available by 2 p.m. on the Sunday it is recorded. To worship with us virtually go to [www.fumc.org](#). Click on the tab labeled "video sermon archive." Then click on the service you want to participate in and enjoy worshipping with your church family. The most recent sermon will always be at the top of the list.

ENDOWMENT FUND: Have you considered remembering the church in your will/bequests? The Endowment can grow through your special giving, if you would like to make a contribution to this fund, mark on the "for line" of your check Endowment Fund.



Your Help Needed!

We do not currently have a person on staff to provide music for worship. Volunteer musicians are providing the music for the prelude and postlude each Sunday. We are using recordings of hymns. If you can play the guitar, piano, organ we need your help to provide music for our worship service in this transition. Please contact Jenny Keefe at 843-601-2586 and offer to share your God-given talents with our church.

AARP FOUNDATION TAX-AIDE TAXPAYER SURVEY: Tax-Aide is for older adults who are on a fixed income or low income, you do not have to be a member of AARP, if you would like to make an appointment or have any questions please call 843-638-3045.

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EASTER



EGG HUNT

SATURDAY, APRIL 3RD

STARTING @ 2:00 PM

Ages 2 to 11

CHURCH LAWN

MASKS REQUIRED

ARTS & CRAFTS

SNACKS

In the Event of Rain – Reschedule for April 10, 2021

MEMORIALS

In Memory of Harold Lomas

John & Leigh Armstrong, Martha Starling

In Memory of Margie Wannamaker

Martha Starling, Kim S. Carnell

In Memory of Jerry & Sarah Margaret Therrell

Martha Starling

In Memory of Billy and Sarah Wicker

Martha Starling

In Memory of Jane Mayhew

Martha Starling

In Memory of Amy Smith

Martha Starling

In Memory of Jean Leach

Martha Starling

In Memory of Anne Bryan

Martha Starling, Kim S. Carnell

In Memory of Pete Baker

Martha Starling, Kim S. Carnell

In Memory of Henry Brasington

Martha Starling, Kim S. Carnell

In Memory of Debbie Butler

Martha Starling

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

April 6 W.K (Keith) Smith, Jim Bennett
April 9 Becky Thompson
April 10 Anthony Harris
April 12 Jayne Burr Board
April 13 Jensen Tomberlin
April 18 Laura Harris
April 19 Amanda Carabo
April 22 Sarah Miles, Mary Lomas
April 29 Marianne Crawford
April 30 Jim Crawford, IV

ANNIVERSARIES

April 10 M&M Eric Dusa
April 11 M&M Lawrence Hammonds
April 13 M&M Paul Miles
April 17 M&M Todd Becker
April 18 M&M Zach Mills
April 24 M&M John Sanderson
April 26 M&M Jim Crawford, III, M&M David Tucker

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, March 28, 2021

10:00am Worship in Sanctuary
5:30-7:00pm UMYF

Monday, March 29, 2021

6:30pm Boy Scouts (NETC)

Tuesday, March 30, 2021

8:30am-4:30pm Church Office Open

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

8:30am-4:30pm Church Office Open
12:00pm April 4 Bulletin Deadline

Thursday, April 1, 2021

8:30am-4:30pm Church Office Open
6:00pm Maundy Thursday Service
(Sanctuary)

Saturday, April 3, 2021

2:00pm Easter Egg Hunt Ages 2 – 11 year
old (Church Lawn)

Sunday, April 4, 2021

6:30am Sunrise Service (Church Lawn)
10:00am Worship in Sanctuary
5:30-7:00pm UMYF



We have some needs for our food pantry. It is helpful to have items that have pull-top lids. Food for the pantry may be dropped off at the church on Sundays or Tuesday – Thursday during office hours. Items needed at this time are:

- Canned meat
- Canned Meals—Beef Stew, Beenie Weenies, etc.
- Ramen Noodles
- Canned vegetables
- Canned fruit
- Spaghetti noodles and sauces
- Instant Grits
- Instant Oatmeal
- Low sugar nutritious cereal
- Individual packs of cookies, cheese crackers, peanut butter crackers, etc

Weekly amount needed for budget: \$5,797.85
Amount received week ending March 24: \$7,280.00
Attendance March 21: 57
Meal backpacks Total: \$1,824.00
Greeter: Jean Assef

Amount needed year to date: \$69,574.20
Received year to date: \$63,683.45
McArn Items: Cereals
Head Ushers: Keith Smith and Jeff Johnson

FUMC STAFF

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Holly Haire, Child Development Ministry Director (fccdm@yahoo.com)
Now Hiring! - Music Director