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THE CHURCH WITH A HEART, IN THE HEART OF CHERAW. A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

AUGUST 8, 2021

11TH AFTER PENTECOST

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

LITURGICAL COLOR: GREEN

CHIMING OF THE HOUR Michael Williams

PRELUDE "Lead Kindly Light" LUX BENIGNA

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Gregory Sanderson

CALL TO WORSHIP¹ Gregory Sanderson

L: God's love for us is great!

C: God is like a loving parent, who watches over us.

L: God's mercy for us is great!

C: God reaches out to us in healing patience and peace.

L: Praise be to God who has called us here.

C: Praise be to God whose love and mercy is given to us. AMEN.

OPENING PRAYER² Gregory Sanderson

Lord, we have come this day, seeking your presence and healing love. Be with us as we hear the words of hope and compassion. Give us courage to learn and grow that we might serve you faithfully all of our days. **AMEN.**

*HYMN NO. 188 "Christ Is the World's Light" CHRISTE SANCTORUM

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH NO. 885 Gregory Sanderson

*GLORIA PATRI GREATOREX

CHORAL ANTHEM "Creator of Beauty and Giver of Light" Mark Schweizer

MORNING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER Pastor Debra

CHORAL RESPONSE "Fragrance of Christ" II Corinthians 2: 14-15 Choir

*HYMN NO. 688 "God, That Madest Earth and Heaven" AR HYD Y NOS

SCRIPTURE READING Ephesians 4: 25-5:2 Pastor Debra

SERMON "Walk Like an Ephesian: Living Light" Pastor Debra

*HYMN NO. 451 "Be Thou My Vision" SLANE

*BENEDICTION Pastor Debra

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE NO. 159 "Lift High the Cross" CRUCIFER Congregation
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore His sacred name. Come, Christians, follow this triumphant sing. The hosts of God in unity combine. Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore His sacred name.

*POSTLUDE "Send the Light" MCCABE

^{*}If you are able, please stand.

¹https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/2857

²Ibid.



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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Bishop Holston: Get vaccinated – For yourself, your family, your neighbor

by <u>UMCSC</u> | Jul 29, 2021

Facing a stagnant COVID-19 vaccination rate across the state, leaders of the South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church are strongly encouraging all laity and clergy to get vaccinated against the potentially deadly coronavirus disease. As of this week, just over half of South Carolinians have begun the vaccination process, and less than 45 percent are fully vaccinated – the 12th-lowest rate in the nation.

Bishop L. Jonathan Holston and other leaders also cite a renewed rise in COVID-19 cases, along with the rising threat of the more-contagious Delta variant, in recommending that everyone — including those who already are fully vaccinated — wear a mask when indoors in public settings.

Both recommendations come on the heels of updated advice from the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, which was quickly echoed by the state Department of Health and Environmental Control.

LET'S ROLL UP OUR SLEEVES AND FIGHT THIS THING.

Safe, effective vaccines, physical distancing, and mask-wearing are how we beat COVID-19.

THE COVID-19

VACCINE

"Ever since the outbreak of the pandemic early last year," Bishop Holston said, "we have encouraged our local churches and their members to follow the guidance of local, state and federal health officials. This week, we once again take to heart warnings from the CDC and DHEC, which are based on the latest developments in the pandemic and ongoing research.

"As a people of faith, we know that our foremost call is to love the Lord with all our heart, soul, mind and strength, and to love our neighbor as Jesus has loved us."

Our hope is that South Carolina United Methodists consider the ongoing threat of this still-deadly pandemic through this scriptural lens and take action by using the tools God has placed in our lives to protect ourselves, our families and our neighbors."

The CDC on Tuesday, July 24, 2021, reported that its updated guidelines were prompted by a rise in "breakthrough cases" – those in which fully vaccinated individuals test positive for COVID-19 – that is likely being fueled by the rise of the Delta variant. Updated CDC recommendations include:

- In areas with substantial and high transmission, which includes many communities in South Carolina, everyone (including fully vaccinated individuals) should wear a mask in public indoor settings to help prevent the spread of the Delta variant.
- Community leaders should encourage vaccination and masking to prevent further outbreaks in areas of substantial and high transmission.
- Universal indoor masking for all teachers, staff, students and visitors to K-12 schools, regardless of vaccination status.

The next day, DHEC recommended all South Carolinians follow the new CDC protocols, "strongly encouraging individuals to protect themselves and others by wearing masks."

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, Jim Bennett, Phillip Caulder, Taylor Novinger (Dr. Novinger's son), Judy Quick, Scott Tomberlin, Charlotte Crosby, Jimmy Duffy, Betty Thrailkill, Theodore Burns, Mondell Brasington (Debbie Adams' mother), Joe Reid Family, Esther Furr Family, Beulah Threatte. **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

REVISED FUMC COVID-19 SAFETY PROTOCOLS



- Wearing a mask inside the church is optional. Masks will continue to be provided for use by medically fragile or unvaccinated individuals.
- ❖ Wash hands and use hand sanitizer. Hand sanitizer will continue to be provided.
- ❖ All entrances and exits may be used for Sunday School and Worship.
- Stay home if you feel sick to prevent the spread of illness.
- Respect others who need to maintain social distance for their safety.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED: The Missions Committee will be collecting donations of school supplies, or you may give a monetary donation to be used to buy school supplies for our local schools, (when giving money please mark clearly that it is for SCHOOL SUPPLIES).

SUMMER MISSION PROJECT: We are collecting supplies for the New Beginnings Shelter in Wallace. Items needed are: cleaning supplies, dishwasher pods, dish detergent, HE liquid laundry detergent, 13 and 8 gallon trash bags, aluminum foil, food storage containers, disinfectant wipes, Ziploc freezer bags (all sizes), bleach, paper towels, hand sanitizer, liquid hand washing soap, Lysol disinfectant spray, multicultural hair products. You may bring donated items to the church. We do have individuals willing to shop if you would prefer to give a monetary donation. Be sure to note that your donation is for the New Beginnings Shelter Mission Project.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE FOR GRADES PRESCHOOL – 5TH GRADE: The Summer Sunday School schedule for grades preschool-5th grade is below:

August 15 and August 29 at 9:00am

TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY AT FUMC: Our Nurture and Care team at First United Methodist Church will provide rides to individuals to doctor's or other medical appointments. If you need a ride, please contact the church office at 843-537-7002.

SYMPATHY: FUMC's pastor, staff, and congregation extends their sympathy to the families of Joe Reid, Beulah Threatte, and Esther Furr.



FUMC will sponsor a Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, August 10 from 1:00pm-6:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please call Angie at 843-537-7002, email Angie at fumcangiesmith@gmail.com or go online to www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code FUMCcheraw to make an appointment. There is a critical need for blood at this time.

WORSHIP ONLINE: Not able to be here for in-person worship? Then join us online! To worship online, go to our website www.cherawfirstumc.org. Click on the tab at the top of the page that says video sermon archive. The most recent worship service will be the first service listed. Worship services are available on our website by 2:00 p.m. on Sundays.

Coming up Sunday, August the 29th, we will mark this fifth Sunday by celebrating with a scripture and song service at our 11 o'clock gathering.

We ask you to email, text, or call in your song requests to:

email - fumcmusic01@gmail.com call/text - 704-294-4510



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Need Help?

If you have a further questions that we didn't answer, please feel free to email fumcangiesmith@gmail.com or call the church office at 843-537-7002.

MEMORIALS:

In Memory of Melanie Bennett

M&M Eric Dusa, M&M Jim Crawford, III

In Memory of Sam Eubanks

M&M Eric Dusa, M&M Jim Crawford, III, Lynn Tweed

In Memory of John Moore

M&M Eric Dusa, Ernestine & Bert Fickerson, M&M Jim Crawford, III, Wanda Griffith Inman & James Inman, Lynn Tweed, Joe & Jon Middleton

In Memory of Jack Bohachic

M&M Keith Smith

In Memory of Ida Mae Burch

M&M Eric Dusa

In Memory of Beulah Threatte

Emerson Bell, Robbie & Lisa Baker Douglas

In Memory of Harold Lomas

M&M Ben Holliday

In Memory of Manfred Kollitz

M&M Ben Holliday

TURNING 90 OR ABOVE: We have several of our church members who will turn 90 or above this month. If you would like to send a card to these their addresses are listed below.

Druie Walker August 7 600 Robin Hood Drive Cheraw, SC 29520 Betty Thrailkill August 14 122 Lakeway Drive Cheraw, SC 29520

ADDRESS: Jimmy Duffy is at Cheraw Healthcare receiving physical therapy for several weeks. If you would like to call or send him a card, here is his information.

Cheraw Healthcare Attention: Jimmy Duffy 400 Moffat Road Cheraw, SC 29520 843-320-7410

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, August 8, 2021

10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship in Sanctuary

Monday, August 9, 2021

6:30pm Boy Scouts (NETC)

Tuesday, August 10, 2021

8:30am-4:30pm Church Office Open 6:00pm Choir Practice (Choir Room)

Wednesday, August 11 2021

8:30am-4:30pm Church Office Open 12:00pm August 6 Bulletin Deadline

Thursday, August 12, 2021

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

Friday, August 13, 2021

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

Sunday, August 15, 2021

10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship in Sanctuary

Weekly amount needed for budget: \$5,797.85

Amount received for week ending August 1 \$23,862.04

Sunday School Attendance, August 1: 52

FUMC Food Pantry Item: Low Sugar Nutritious Cereal

Greeters: Doug & Susan Marsh

Nursery Workers: Trina Mills & Cindy Sanderson

Liturgist for next Sunday: Susan Marsh

Amount needed year to date: \$179,733.35

Received year to date: \$182,612.96

Worship Attendance Sunday, August 1: 68

McArn Items: Breakfast Bars Head Usher: Rhett Butler Acolyte: Penny Quick

FUMC STAFF

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