

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

OCTOBER 10, 2021

20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

LITURGICAL COLOR: GREEN

CHIMING OF THE HOUR		Michael Williams
PRELUDE	“Be Exalted, O God”	B. Chambers arr. Seal
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Bonnie Cundiff
CALL TO WORSHIP¹		Bonnie Cundiff
L: God has called all God’s people to lives of hope and service.		
C: We want to serve God, but sometimes life gets to be too difficult for us.		
L: Place your trust in God’s power and love.		
C: God understands our needs, our sorrows, and our joys.		
L: Come, let us worship God who is with us always.		
C: Praise God for God’s eternal presence. AMEN.		
OPENING PRAYER²		Bonnie Cundiff
Lord, you have called us here this day for healing, hope, and transformation. As we listen to the Scripture, pray our prayers, sing our hymns, and hear the words of wisdom, open our hearts to hear your claim on our lives; that we may fully and joyfully serve you. AMEN.		
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH NO. 885	“A Modern Affirmation”	Bonnie Cundiff
*GLORIA PATRI		GREATOREX
*OPENING HYMN NO. 110 (verses 1&4)	“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”	EIN’ FESTE BURG
MORNING PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER		Pastor Debra
SCRIPTURE READING	Mark 10: 17-27	
SERMON	“Hard Choice”	Pastor Debra
REFLECTIVE HYMN	“The Summons” (follow 2130 TFWS)	KELVINGROVE
*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 sign. 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	“My Life Is In You, Lord”	Daniel Gardner
<i>*If you are able, please stand.</i>		

¹ <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/3119>

²Ibid.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in memory of Manfred Kollitz for his birthday and anniversary by his family.



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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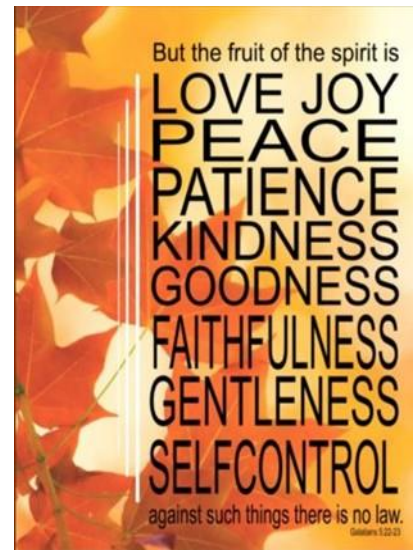
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Country Singer, Luke Bryan's song Harvest Time has been playing in my mind as I see the activities of the Fall Harvest taking place all around me. Luke sings, "there's peanut dust and corn husks driftin' through the air tonight. The marchin' band's warmin' up under the football lights. There's tractor-trailers backed up down by the elevator. Train track grain car will roll in later. Get filled up and head on out in the world. It's harvest time in this little town." I would add to this image all the goodness and abundance of apples and pumpkins!

It is harvest time in Cheraw, South Carolina. We are getting ready for the Jazz Festival with our Jazzy Tree and the Fall Barbeque. We will be collecting candy for the Child Care Ministry's Fall Festival. Kids will head to the community center for a drive-thru trick or treat again this year. These events are a testimony of our ability to adapt and make needed changes so we can celebrate the harvest.

The apostle Paul reminds us in his letter to the Galatians of another kind of harvest. He speaks of the fruits of the Spirit that are evident in a believer's life. When the fruits of the Spirit manifest in a Christian's life, the harvest for the kingdom of God increases. The greatest blessing about these spiritual fruits is that they are free gifts of the Spirit, that live in us as we journey with God and each other loving God and loving neighbor. How is your spiritual fruit doing?

If it is big, juicy, and ready for harvest let us give all honor, praise, and glory to God. If it is a bit dry and shriveled up, spend some time with the Lord in Bible study, prayer, works of mercy and worship. Then be ready because your spiritual fruit will be ready for harvest right quick!



Pastor Debra

SAFETY PROTOCOLS UPDATED

COVID-19

The Covid-19 Safety Team met Sunday, September 12, 2021 and updated the safety protocols for First United Methodist Church. These three changes will begin on Sunday, September 19th. The purpose of these changes is to help keep safe the most vulnerable among us. They are needed because of the current high case count and high-risk levels for getting this virus in Chesterfield County. Once the count and risk levels decrease to safer numbers, we will return to our current protocols. Please help us love our neighbors and care for the least of these!

Choir not to practice or sing.

Maintain social distance.

The pews have been marked with yarn to help us know where to sit. Please sit in a pew that has not been marked.

Nursery not provided.

Wear a mask inside.

If you do not have a mask or forget yours, masks are available at the entrances to the church.

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, Tony Thrailkill, Theodore Burns, Mondell Brasington (Debbie Adams' mother), Margaret Stanton, Nicole Johnson (Joey Mill's acquaintance), Joey & Trina Mills, Nancy Chestnut (Michelle Rohde's mother), Anthony Carraway (Christy Ruffner's friend). **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

FALL BAR-B-QUE

Saturday, October 16, 2021

Drive-thru only

11:00am-2:00pm

Pork or Chicken

Donation \$10.00

See Rhett Butler for tickets

The need is constant.
The gratification is instant.
Give blood.



**American
Red Cross**



FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

117 Third Street, Cheraw -- Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2021

1:00PM – 6:00PM

Come to give in October and receive a link by email for a free Zaxby's Signature Sandwich or a \$5 e-gift card to a merchant of your choice. Terms and conditions apply, see rcblood.org/zax.

To make an appointment contact Angie Smith at 843-537-7002 or fumcangiesmith@gmail.com or www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code FUMCcheraw.

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Need Help?

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



Looking For a Few Good Techs

First Methodist is seeking to train a small staff of two or three individuals to assist with the weekly video recording of Sunday worship services and other church activities. No prior experience with video equipment is required although basic computer skills would be useful. The time required would be about one Sunday per month from 10:45 am to 1:30 pm following three Sundays of training (total of six hours) and close supervision until you are comfortable with the equipment and tasks. If you are at least 14 years of age and would like to serve your church while learning interesting and technical life-skills, contact Angie at 537-7002 to get your name on the list.

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.

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.

TURNING 90 OR ABOVE: We have a church member who will turn 90 or above this month. If you would like to send a card to this individual the address is listed below.

Edith Quick (October 13)
11 Hamden Circle
Cheraw, SC 29520

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH WOMEN'S BAKE SALE

The bake sale has been cancelled since the BBQ is drive-thru this year. The UMW still need the money that comes from selling baked goods that everyone has gratefully made in the past to sell. The selling of bake goods goes to the UMW budget so they can help where help is needed. The UMW are graciously asking for monetary donations instead of you having to bake items to sell. With everyone's help by donations they hope to reach their goal of \$1000 or more which is what they made in the past with the bake sale. Please make checks payable to "UMW" and put bake sale on the "for line". The UMW are also selling Rada Knives which make great gifts. Please let one of the UMW members know or come by the office to place an order for knives.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 10, 2021
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship in Sanctuary

Monday, October 11, 2021
6:30pm Boy Scouts (NETC)

Tuesday, October 12, 2021
8:30am-4:30pm Church Office Open

Wednesday, October 13, 2021
8:30am-4:30pm Church Office Open
12:00pm October 17 Bulletin Deadline

Thursday, October 14, 2021
8:30am-4:30pm Church Office Open

Sunday, October 17, 2021
10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship in Sanctuary

Weekly amount needed for budget: \$5,797.85
Amount received for week of October 6: \$1,995.55
Sunday School Attendance, October 10: 48
FUMC Food Pantry Item: Canned meats/stews
Greeters: Jap & Kim Roddy
Acolyte: Zenda Rushing
Flowers next Sunday: Jenny Keefe

Amount needed year to date: \$231,914.00
Received year to date: \$231,324.83
Worship Attendance, October 10: 57
McArn Items: Individual size cereal boxes
Head Usher: Jed Reid
Liturgist for next Sunday: Shannon Johnson

FUMC STAFF

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