

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

JUNE 5, 2022

PENTECOST SUNDAY

LITURGICAL COLOR: WHITE

Please sign the attendance pad and pass it to everyone on the pew. Once the last person has signed, please fold it in half and put in the offering plate.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR		Martha Starling
PRELUDE	<i>"Fugue in C Major, BuxWV174"</i>	Dietrich Buxtehude
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Shannon Johnson
CALL TO WORSHIP¹		Shannon Johnson
L: Come, Holy Spirit! Ignite our hearts with joy and confidence!		
C: For God has done wondrous things for us.		
L: Come, Holy Spirit! Fill us with the power of the rushing wind that we may faithfully serve you in all that we do.		
C: For Christ has called each of us and blessed us!		
L: Come, Holy Spirit! Be with us today.		
C: Help us to boldly proclaim Christ Risen. AMEN.		
OPENING PRAYER²		Shannon Johnson
God of wind and fire, embolden us this day to receive your power. Help us to proclaim the wondrous things that you have done and continue to do in our lives. Give us strength and courage to share the Good News of your love and your presence. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN.		
PSALTER NO. 804-805	Psalm 84	Shannon Johnson
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH NO. 881	Apostle's Creed	Shannon Johnson
*GLORIA PATRI NO. 70		MEINKE
*HYMN NO. 384	<i>"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"</i>	BEECHER
MORNING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER		Pastor Debra
OFFERTORY	<i>"Komm Gott Schopfer"</i>	Johann Pachelbel
*DOXOLOGY NO. 95		OLD 100 th
*OFFERTORY PRAYER		Pastor Debra
*HYMN NO. 500 (vs. 1, 4 & 5)	<i>"Spirit Of God, Descend Upon My Heart"</i>	MORECAMBE
SCRIPTURE READING	Acts 2: 1-21	Pastor Debra
SERMON	<i>"Fired Up and Ready to Go!"</i>	Pastor Debra
COVENANT OF BAPTISM NO 39-43	<i>Palmer Elizabeth Reid</i>	
*HYMN NO. 334	<i>"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"</i>	SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Debra

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE NO. 557**

“Blest Be The Tie That Binds”

DENNIS

Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.

From sorrow, toil, and pain,
and sin, we shall be free;
and perfect love friendship reign
through all eternity

***POSTLUDE**

“Komm Gott Schopfer”

J.S. BACH

**If you are able, please stand.*

¹<https://www.ministrymatters.com/worship/entry/3845>

²ibid

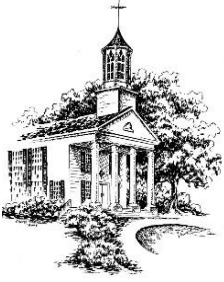
The flowers are placed in the sanctuary to the glory of God.

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, Mabel Foster, Jim Bennett, Scott Tomberlin, Theodore Burns, Margaret Stanton, Mary Snookie Lomas, Shep Straughn, Betty Thrailkill, Tony Thrailkill, Brenda Rayfield Family, Gwen Sullivan, Dan Ellenburg (Patty Fisher’s Brother-in-law), Emily Marsh, Mary Burr. **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.**

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.

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.

Covid Restrictions Lifted - Based upon recent and continually improving Covid-19 risk factors in the county reported by the SC Department of Health and consistent with CDC guidance, the Church Council voted unanimously this week to remove the remaining restrictions previously imposed on our activities and routines at First Methodist. Masking remains optional and we will continue to monitor the situation for changes that might warrant action in the future.



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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A few words from the pastor...

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

1 Corinthians 12:4-7 NRSV

I was re-reading a small booklet during my devotional time recently written by Rev. Bob Crossman about living out our commitment to Christ with a generous life. The premise of the book is simple. God has been generous to us and calls us to be generous to God and our neighbors. In the section on service, Rev. Crossman tells a few stories about the obstacles to generosity.

He tells on himself in the first story. One summer he noticed weeds growing in the flowerbeds around the church sign. Bob watched over the weeks as they grew taller and taller and became angry that no one was taking care of the problem. He silently prayed about it one Sunday and heard a small voice saying, "I have already called someone to maintain the church flower bed, but he isn't getting the job done" The message was received, and Bob got on his hands and knees pulling weeds for Jesus and soon others were joining him.¹

Crossman tells about Mrs. Harrison in another story. Her own children were grown and they were all in their 50's but she had a God given love for teenagers. She could have ignored the love God placed in her heart for the youth. Fortunately, for her church she was there every Sunday evening coordinating meals for the youth and inspiring their faith. Bob says, "She became like a second grandmother to them."²

Fran, a seventy something woman with health problems, is another story in this chapter on service. Fran was active in the greeting ministry of her church. She served at the door greeting folks and on Mondays would write a handwritten note to visitors thanking them for coming and inviting them back. She did this for the first seven Sundays they attended her church.³

In the Baptismal Covenant we acknowledge that we each are marked by the Holy Spirit and receive spiritual gifts. The Apostle Paul makes it clear in 1 Corinthians 12 that we all are given spiritual gifts to share for the common good of the body of Christ, the church. There are many opportunities for service at First United Methodist Church, in the Hartsville District, and also the United Methodist Church.

As we renew our vows, when a young child is baptized this Sunday, let us consider how God is calling us to service here at FUMC. I invite you to call, come by the office, or text me and share the gifts God gave you and how God is calling you to use them to make disciples for Christ Jesus.

Pastor Debra

¹ Crossman, Bob, *Six Steps to a Generous Life*, (Abington Press, Nashville, 2012), pg 49.

² IBID, pg. 50

³ IBID, pg. 52



Mr. Jim Glass joins our ministry team Sunday, June 5, 2022 as our new Music Director and Organist. He is a graduate of Wittenburg University and Winthrop University. Jim has served many years as an organist and music director. Jim lives in Lancaster, South Carolina. Please be sure to say hello and welcome him to our church.

MEMORIALS:

IN MEMORY OF BRENDA RAYFIELD
Rhett and Marcia Butler, Betty Thrailkill



Together, we can save a life

FUMC will host an American Red Cross blood drive on Tuesday, June 7 from 1:00pm-6:00pm in the fellowship hall. Come to give blood, platelets or plasma June 1-30, 2022, and be automatically entered for a chance to win a VIP trip to Memphis and Graceland for two!* This trip includes round-trip air fare for two to Memphis, a three-night stay at The Guest House at Graceland and Elvis Entourage VIP tour, courtesy of Graceland, a \$500 gift card for expenses, plus a custom-wrapped Gibson Epiphone guitar!

As our thanks for coming to give June 1-30, we'll send you a \$5 e-gift card to a merchant of your choice.**

To make an appointment call or email Angie at [843-537-7002/fumcangiesmith@gmail.com](tel:843-537-7002) or go online to www.redcrossblood.org and use sponsor code FUMCcheraw.

* <https://www.redcrossblood.org/local-homepage/events/elvis-movie.html>

**ibid

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 her the address is listed here.

Martha Bentley (June 5)
7900 Creedmoor Road
Apt. 159
Raleigh, NC 27613



Our Mission: Awareness and early detection of disease is powerful. That's why our purpose is to make you aware of unrecognized and potential health problems, and encourage follow-up care with your personal physician to strengthen their understanding of your total health.¹

FUMC will host a screening on Tuesday, June 14, 2022

To register for your appointment please call 1-888-653-6450 or visit <https://lisa.social/HSC>, or sign up on the sheet in the lobby.

*****The church office has several complimentary coupons if you are interested in getting one please contact Angie, these will be given on a first come basis until they are gone.**

¹<https://www.lifelinescreening.com/about-us?sourcecd=WGBS101>

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Our current GriefShare series will end on Thursday, June 9, 2022. This has been a good group and our participants have been appreciative of our church's support. We plan to begin another 13 week series on Wednesday, September 7, 2022, 10:30am in the church parlor. These weekly meeting will end on Wednesday, December 7, 2022 (not meeting the week of Thanksgiving).



USHER TRAINING: All adults and youth both men and women are invited to be trained to be an usher. Norma Cobb and Pastor Debra will present the training. The training will be June 26 from 5 to 6pm in the sanctuary.

Welcome

Nolton Kyllonen Keefe

Born May 27, 2022
2:49 p.m.

8 lbs. 2ozs. 21 inches

Parents: Zachary and Taylor Keefe

Grandparents: Dallas and Jenny Keefe

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, June 5, 2022

10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship

Monday, June 6, 2022

6:30pm Boy Scouts (NETC)

Tuesday, June 7, 2022

1:00pm-6:00pm Blood Drive (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, June 8, 2022

8:30am-4:30pm Church Office Open
12:00pm Bulletin/Newsletter Deadline
6:00pm Bible Study (Parlor)
7:00pm Choir Practice (Choir Room)

Thursday, June 9, 2022

8:30am-4:30pm Church Office Open
10:30am Grief Share (Parlor)
5:30pm CDM Training (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, June 12, 2022

10:00am Sunday School
11:00am Worship
5:00pm-7:00pm Family Fun Day (Cheraw State Park)

Weekly amount needed for budget: \$5,769.24
Amount received for week of June 1: \$2,959.88
Sunday School Attendance May 29: 31
FUMC Food Pantry Item: Canned vegetables
Greeter: Penny Quick
Acolyte: Norma Cobb
Nursery Worker: Allison & Sawyer Becker
Soundsystem Operator: Holly Miles

Amount needed year to date: \$126,923.28
Received year to date: \$113,815.03
Worship Attendance May 29: 52
McArn Items: Pop tarts
Head Usher: Heath Ruffner
Liturgist for next Sunday: Greg Sanderson
Flowers next Sunday: OPEN
Video Technicians: Bryson Hunter & Peyton Taylor

FUMC STAFF

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