### FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

AUGUST 7, 2022

9<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST/COMMUNION

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** "Lied" LOUIS VIERNE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Lib Norton

CALL TO WORSHIP<sup>1</sup> Lib Norton

L: Get ready! The Lord needs you.

C: We are ready to serve God.

L: Be prepared to serve in ministries of justice and peace.

C: We are ready to serve God by helping others.

L: Open your hearts, your souls, your minds to God's mercy and love.

C: Prepare us for service to you, O loving God. AMEN.

**OPENING PRAYER<sup>2</sup>** Lib Norton

Surprising God of mercy and love, thank you for calling to us this day. We praise you that you challenge us to show our faith in ministries of peace and justice, offering compassion to all in need. Open our hearts and minds today to hear your words of encouragement and challenge. We offer this prayer in Jesus' Name. AMEN.

**PSALTER NO. 783** Psalm 50: 1-8, 22-23 Lib Norton

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH NO. 881 Apostle's Creed Lib Norton

\*GLORIA PATRI NO. 70 MEINKE

\*HYMN NO. 89 HYMN TO JOY "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

MORNING PRAYER **Pastor Paul Frey** 

"Communion Prayer" ALLEN POTE **ANTHEM** Adult Choir

**OFFERTORY** "Communion" **LOUIS VIERNE** 

\*DOXOLOGY NO. 95 OLD 100<sup>th</sup>

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER Pastor Paul Frey

\*HYMN NO. 618 "Let Us Break Bread Together" LET US BREAK BREAD

\*SCRIPTURE READING John 15: 9-17 **Pastor Paul Frey** 

**SERMON** At Home **Pastor Paul Frey** 

**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION PAGE NOS. 12-15** 

\*HYMN NO. 172 "My Jesus, I Love Thee" **GORDON** 

\*BENEDICTION Pastor Paul Frey

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE NO. 664 "Sent Forth By God's Blessing"

THE ASH GROVE

Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing, the people of God from this dwelling take leave. The service is ended, O now be extended The fruits of our worship in all who believe. The seed of the teaching, receptive souls reaching, shall blossom in action for God and for all. God's grace did invite us, and love shall unite us to work for God's kingdom and answer the call.

\*POSTLUDE

"Improvisation on Hymn To Joy"

<sup>\*</sup>If you are able, please stand.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry /4044

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Ibid.



## 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 Pastor Paul Frey...

A Table of Family, a Table of Love

One of the enduring memories of my growing up years is our supper table. Not the table itself, of course, but the experience of being at that table--Dad, Mom, and five boys. It was always at the same time; dictated by the arrival of Dad's commuter train. For twenty-four years my father got on a train in a western suburb of Chicago and went into the city to work at First National Bank. Mom dropped him off at the train station in the morning and picked him up in the evening and somehow, within fifteen minutes of arriving home in the evening, supper was on the table. In my adult years I have often wondered how she managed that!

Dad would sit at the head of the table, Mom at the foot, and each boy had his own place. As soon as the food was on the table and Mom was seated hands were folded and heads were bowed, and a prayer of thanks was said. Sometimes Dad prayed, sometimes Mom, and as we boys grew older, we took our turns as well. We boys did not pray the polished prayers that our parents prayed but we always remembered to include thanks "for this good food and the loving hands that prepared it," a phrase I often use even today.

That family table was always a happy place of shared lives. News of the day was shared. Accomplishments were celebrated. Failures were commiserated and encouragement was offered and there was laughter—so much laughter! Dad loved jokes—particularly puns—and one pun would lead to another with amazing rapidity until we all dissolved in laughter. I loved the supper table. It was a warm and safe and happy place; it was a table of family, a table of love.

That's the kind of table to which we're invited today as we share in Holy Communion. A table of family, a table of love. All of us come just as we are—a part of this family of faith where accomplishments are celebrated, failures are commiserated and encouragement is given, where tears and laughter are shared equally. We're invited by Christ himself, who loves us more than any other ever has or could love us, even to the point of sacrificing himself for us. It's a warm and safe and happy place.

It's your place. Let its love hold you in its embrace. Remember it forever.

**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, Gwen Sullivan, Bobby Joe White, Emily Marsh, Mary Burr, Jackson Rushing, Sammy Quick, Pastor Debra Armstrong, Martha Starling. **NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.** 

#### WHILE THE PASTOR IS OUT ON MEDICAL LEAVE:

The Visitation Team will continue to visit our shut-ins. If you need a visit before a regularly scheduled visit or if you are in the hospital, you may contact Trina Mills or Renie Seel during the following dates:

August 8 – August 17 Trina Mills

August 18 – August 23 Renie Seel

August 24 – September 11 Trina Mills

Contact Trina Mills at (843) 910-0518 and Renie Seel at (843) 344-1841

Reverend Fred McDaniel and Reverend Phil Thrailkill will be available by appointment it you need to see a pastor while I'm on leave. They will also be available to officiate funeral or memorial services. The dates they are available are:

Rev. Fred McDaniel July 18 - August 13 and August 22 - September 11

Rev. Phil Thrailkill August 14 - August 21

You may call Angie Smith in the church office to schedule a visit, or you can contact

Rev. Fred McDaniel at (843) 680-0423 and Rev. Phil Thrailkill at (843) 861-2919.



#### **NURSERY HELPERS NEEDED**

FUMC needs you! Would you like to help in the nursery during the worship service? This would not be an every week responsibility, just an as needed responsibility. Please contact Michelle Rohde at 843-337-6123 if you would like to volunteer.

**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 him the address is listed here.

Betty Thrailkill (August 14) 122 Lakeway Drive Cheraw, SC 29520 Syble Sanderson (August 15) 407 Greene Street Cheraw, SC 29520

Bobby Spears (August 19) 130 Burchwood Circle Cheraw, SC 29520

#### **MEMORIALS:**

#### **IN MEMORY OF BOB TIETZE**

Eric & Kelly Dusa

#### IN MEMORY OF ROBERTA AGNER

Eric & Kelly Dusa

#### **IN MEMORY OF BRENDA RAYFIELD**

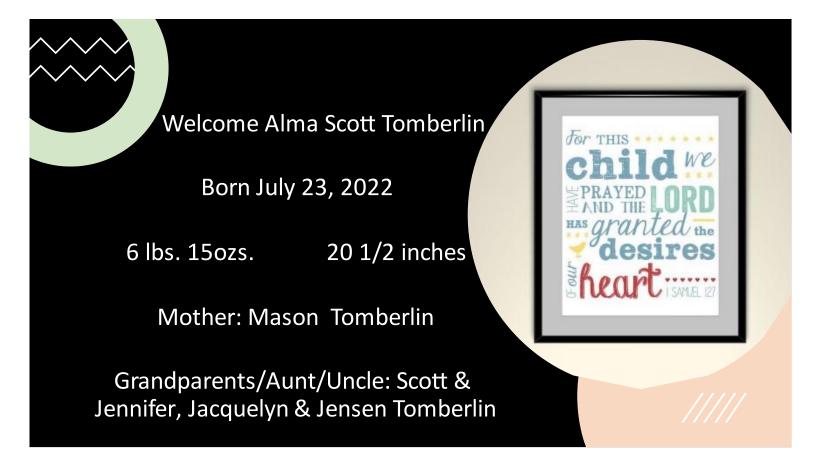
Eric & Kelly Dusa, Gailya Wilson

#### IN MEMORY OF SUZANNE GRAHAM HARMELING

Eric & Kelly Dusa

#### IN MEMORY OF JACKIE FURR

Gailya Wilson





# Together, we can save a life

There will be a blood drive in the fellowship hall on Tuesday, August 9 from 1:00-5:30pm. Please call or email Angie for an appointment, or go online to <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org">www.redcrossblood.org</a> and use sponsor code FUMCcheraw.

As an appreciation for your giving blood, platelets, or plasma August 1-31, 2022, the Red Cross will automatically enter you for a chance to win gas for a year (a \$6,000 value)!\* You could be one of three lucky winners. PLUS, you'll also get a **\$10 e-gift** card to a merchant of your choice.\*\*

Just like our car gas tanks need constant refueling, so does the blood supply. It's the blood products on the shelf today that help save lives tomorrow. Destination:

Donation!

<sup>\*</sup>https://www.redcrossblood.org/local-homepage/events/chance-to-win-gas-for-a-year-.html

<sup>\*\*</sup>ibid

#### END OF SUMMER - BACK TO SCHOOL POOL PARTY

Who: Youth and Fireflies (may invite friends)

When: Sunday, August 14
Time: 4:00pm til 6:00pm
Where: Cheraw Country Club
Youth: Bring Drinks
Fireflies: Bring Chips

Pizza will be provided

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sunday, August 7, 2022

10:00am Sunday School 11:00am Worship 12:30pm Boy Scout Court of Honor 5:00pm Back To School Party

Monday, August 8, 2022

6:30pm Boy Scouts (NETC)

Tuesday, August 9, 2022

8:30am-4:30pm Church Office Open 1:00pm-5:30pm Blood Drive

Wednesday, August 10, 2022

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

Thursday, August 11, 2022

8:30am-4:30pm Church Office Open 5:30pm Youth/Children/Special Events Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, August 14, 2022

10:00am Sunday School

11:00am Worship
4:00pm-6:00pm Youth and Fireflies End of Summer/Back to
School Pool Party (Cheraw Country Club)

Weekly amount needed for budget: \$5,769.24 Amount received for week of August 2: \$3,072.15

Sunday School Attendance July 31: 33 FUMC Food Pantry Item: Dry cereal

**Greeter:** Patty Fisher **Acolyte:** Nancy Wagnon

Nursery Worker: Allison & Sawyer Becker Soundsystem Operator: Holly Miles

Amount needed year to date: \$178,846.44 Received year to date: \$168,553.75

Worship Attendance July 31: 70 McArn Items: Animal Cookies Head Usher: Norma Cobb

Liturgist for next Sunday: Shannon Johnson

Flowers next Sunday: OPEN Video Technicians: Bryson Hunter

#### **FUMC STAFF**

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