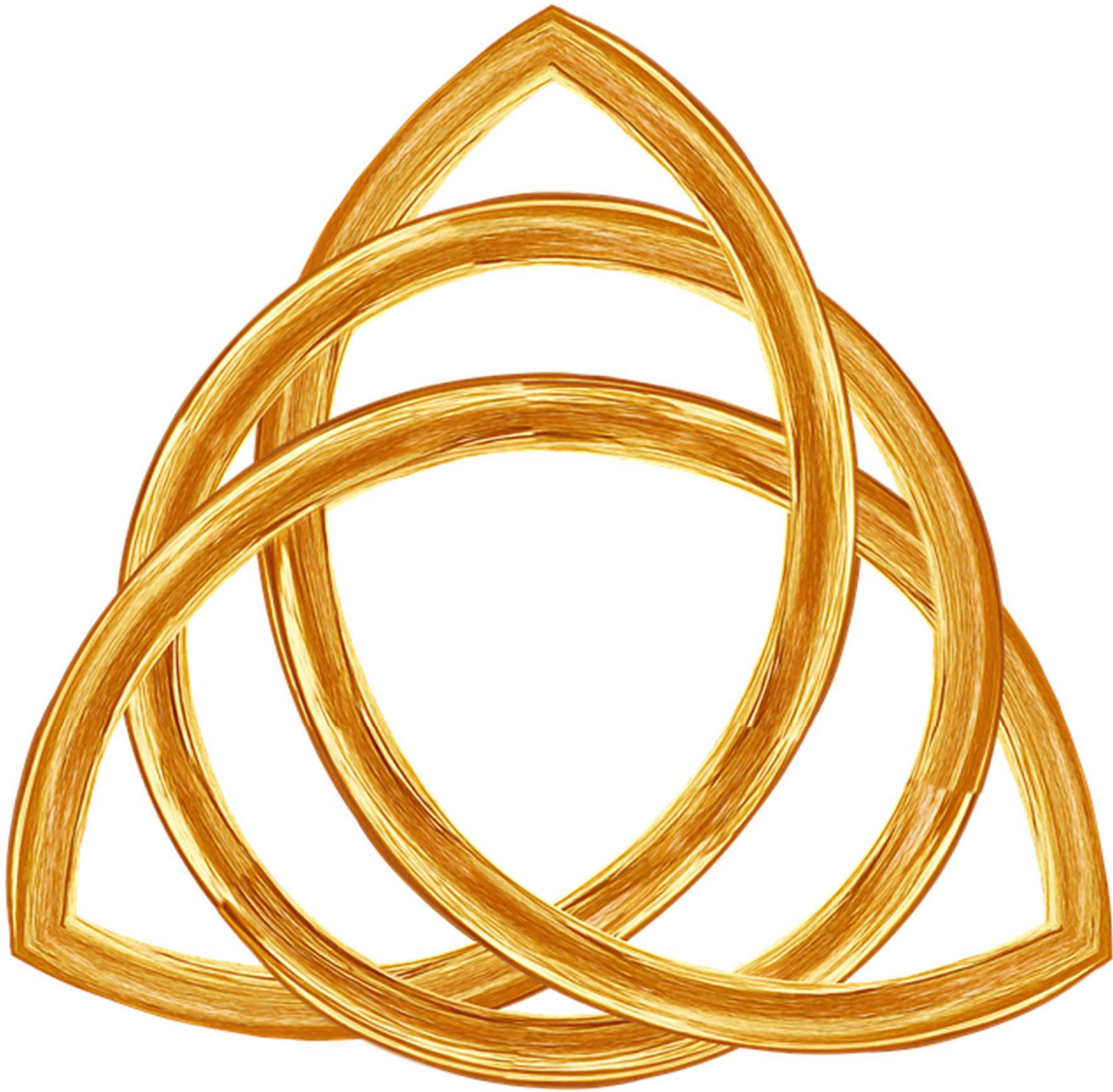


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THE CHURCH WITH A HEART, IN THE HEART OF CHERAW.

A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP

JUNE 04, 2023

TRINITY 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 it in the offering plate.**

CHIMING OF THE HOUR		Martha Starling	
PRELUDE	<i>“What A Friend We Have In Jesus”</i> Carillon Choir	PATRICIA COTA	
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Pastor Debra	
CALL TO WORSHIP¹		Shannon Johnson	
L: In the fullness of time, God sent Jesus as a revelation of God's own self. C: Praise be to Jesus for the many ways in which he revealed God to us. L: When we thought all hope was lost, God offered the Holy Spirit to heal and guide us. C: Praise be to the Holy Spirit for guidance and inspiration! L: For the Trinity of understanding, we sing praise! C: Blessings, honor, power, and majesty to God forevermore! AMEN.			
OPENING PRAYER²		Shannon Johnson	
Spirit of Wisdom and Hope, we witness your glory in the heavens and hear your call to us. We are sometimes overwhelmed by the thought of your compassionate care. Open our hearts this day to hear and respond in joy to your call that we may serve you faithfully all our days. AMEN.			
PSALTER NO. 832-833	<i>Response #1</i>	<i>Psalm 111</i>	Shannon Johnson
OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING		Isaiah 52: 7-10	Shannon Johnson
*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH NO. 880			Shannon Johnson
GLORIA PATRI NO. 70			MEINKE
VOLUNTARY	<i>“Amazing Grace”</i> Carillon Choir		PATRICIA COTA
*HYMN NO. 64	<i>“Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty”</i>		NICAEA
PRAYER OF CONFESSION³		Pastor Debra	
God of Creation, Jesus Redeemer, Holy Spirit who guides and sustains us, hear our prayers this day. We know the many ways in which we have failed to do the tasks which you have set before us. We have often chosen our comfort over service to you. Our fears and doubts lay claim to our lives and we shrink from the opportunities you give to us. Forgive us for the many failings. Lift and restore us to your grace. Put our feet on the pathways of service, offering justice and peace to all people. Heal us, O gracious One, for we ask this in the name of Jesus the Christ. AMEN.			
ASSURANCE OF PARDON⁴		Pastor Debra	
Pastor: Rejoice! Do not doubt! God has poured love, hope, and forgiveness on you. You are healed and forgiven in Jesus' Name. The Holy Spirit empowers you to ministries of healing and hope. Rejoice! AMEN. Congregation: In the name of Jesus, you are healed and forgiven.			

¹ <https://www.ministrymatters.com/worship/entry/3864>.

² Ibid.

³ Ibid.

⁴ Ibid, adapted by Rev D. Armstrong.

All: Glory to God Amen!

ANTHEM

“Come, Join The Dance Of Trinity”

RICHARD LEACH

Come, join the dance of Trinity, before all worlds begun –
the interweaving of the Three, the Father, Spirit, Son.
The universe of space and time did not arise by chance,
but as the Three, in love and hope, made room within their dance.

Come, see the face of Trinity, newborn in Bethlehem;
then bloodied by a crown of thorns outside Jerusalem.
The dance of Trinity is meant for human flesh and bone;
when fear confines the dance in death, God rolls away the stone.

Come, speak aloud of Trinity, as wind and tongues of flame
set people free at Pentecost to tell the Savior's name.
We know the yoke of sin and death, our necks have worn it smooth;
go tell the world of weight and woe that we are free to move!

Within the dance of Trinity, before all worlds begun,
we sing the praises of the Three, the Father, Spirit, Son.
Let voices rise and interweave, by love and hope set free,
to shape in song this joy, this life: the dance of Trinity.

MORNING PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER

Pastor Debra

OFFERTORY

“Simple Gifts”
Carillon Choir

PATRICIA COTA

***DOXOLOGY NO. 95**

OLD 100th

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pastor Debra

***HYMN NO. 571**

“Go, Make Of All Disciples”

LANCASHIRE

GOSPEL SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 28:16-20

Pastor Debra

SERMON

Go and Make

Pastor Debra

***HYMN NO. 671**

“Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing”

SICILIAN MARINERS

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Debra

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

“Go Gently, Go Lightly”

CARLTON YOUNG

Go gently, go lightly, go safe in the Spirit,
live simply, don't carry much more than you need:
go trusting God's goodness, go spreading God's kindness,
stay centered on Jesus and where he will lead.

Go singing, go bringing the gifts of the Spirit,
go hopefully searching for things that are true:
in living, in loving, whatever befalls you,
God keep you, God bless you in all that you do

***POSTLUDE**

“Improvisation On Nicaea”

**If you are able, please stand.*

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, Jim Bennett, Scott Tomberlin, Mary Snookie Lomas, Shep Straughn, Betty Thrailkill, Bill Eutsler, Jr., Mary Burr, Jody Reid, Craig Norton, Martha Griggs, Steve Humphries, Katie Chapman, Thomas McKinnon, Zenda Rushing, Joy Blackman, the Spahn Family (Friends of Jenny Rushing Outen), Curtis Jones, The Elmore Family, Vonceil Holloman, and Meredith Creech.
NOTE: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks, they are removed unless the church office is notified.



**TUESDAY, JUNE 20TH
FUMC, CHERAW**

A LIMITED NUMBER OF \$85.00 VALUED COUPONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE CHURCH OFFICE. COUPONS WILL BE AWARDED ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED BASIS.

**APPOINTMENT TIMES:
10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.**



FUMC BLOOD DRIVE
TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2023
1:00 P.M. TO 5:00 P.M.



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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...

The Cheerful Giver

But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:6-7 NKJV

It has been an amazing year so far and this month has filled us with both joy and sorrows as we have given scholarships, recognized our graduates, and many of our ministries begin the summer break. As I was pondering these things, I remembered my Papaw Sullivan's, my great-grandfather, admonition that school was on summer break, but God was not. His reminder was twofold. First, he wanted me to know that no matter where I was or what I was doing God was with me protecting and guiding me. Then because I usually stayed with my great-grandparents for much of the summer, it was also a reminder that I was expected to go to church (not sleep-in) on Sunday mornings and to give my tithe of 10% of my allowance.

I learned faithfulness and generosity from my great-grandparents. They always had room at the table for one more guest. They served their church and their community without fail. They gave monetarily beyond their tithe for over seventy years. My Mamaw and Papaw showed me what it meant to support the church with my prayers, my presence, my gifts, and my service. They made a real difference in my life, in many other people's lives and made many disciples for our Lord Jesus because they were cheerful givers. They were faithful in good times, in bad times, during the depression, and through multiple changes and disagreements in the church.

Who taught you about faithfulness, giving, and generosity? Who would be telling you to remember that God does not take a summer break? Who would be reminding you to give your tithes all year long? Are you that faithful, generous giver who keeps giving all year long and encourages others to support the church? It is important because there is no summer break for the church. The bills still come in the summer and need to be paid to keep the lights on and the air conditioners running.

In these days and times with the multiple ways we have to give to the church, there is no need to miss our pledged tithe even when we are on vacation. Please consider signing up for recurring payments with Vanco so that your giving will stay consistent no matter where you travel this summer or throughout the year. To sign up, go to our website: <http://www.cherawfirstumc.org>. Click on the online giving tab at the top right of the webpage. Click on the general fund tab and follow the instructions to set up recurring payments.

Your consistent, faithful, generous giving is teaching the next generation of our church. Thank you for your consistent generosity! You will be blessed because God does love a cheerful giver.

Pastor Debra

June Birthdays

BROOKE FREEMAN	JUNE 02	JULIA WATSON	JUNE 15
JULIA JONES	JUNE 03	KELLY DUSA	JUNE 16
MARTHA BENTLEY	JUNE 05	LESLEY HOUSER	JUNE 21
BETH BARBER	JUNE 06	JOHN VAN DEMAN, III	JUNE 23
PATRICIA FISHER	JUNE 07	ZACH MILLS	JUNE 25
CATRENNA BUFFINGTON	JUNE 08	PAIGE SARTOR	JUNE 26
DAVID HUDSON	JUNE 08	CLAY BARBOUR	JUNE 26
FARRAH LEWIS	JUNE 09	GRAYSON WATSON	JUNE 27
JOHN WAGNON	JUNE 10	SHARI STUBBS	JUNE 27
SUSAN BAKER	JUNE 10	PAUL BLACKWELL, III	JUNE 28
SARAH LEE	JUNE 14	LYDIA LEE	JUNE 29

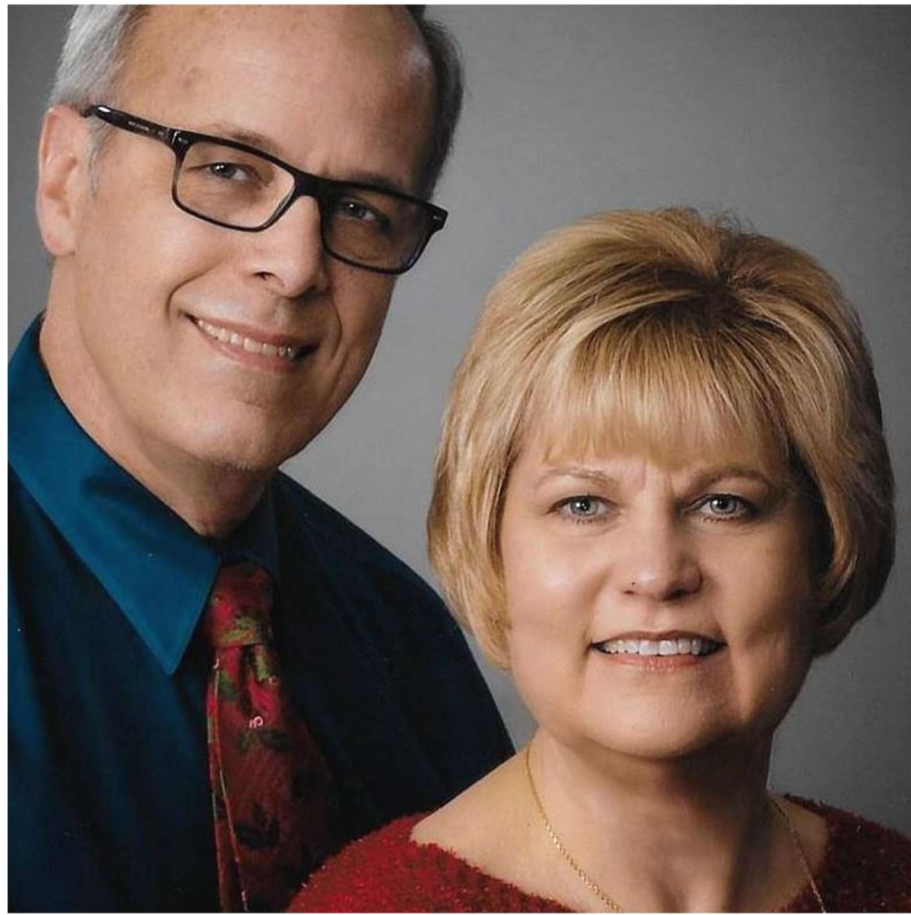
June Anniversaries

STEPHEN & JAYNE BOARD	JUNE 04
SAMMY & PENNY QUICK	JUNE 05
JACK & KAY VAN DEMAN	JUNE 06
SCOTT & GINNI EDDINS	JUNE 08
JAMES & LYNN TWEED	JUNE 09
SCOTT & JENNIFER TOMBERLIN	JUNE 12
DAVID & JUDY DIXON	JUNE 14
SHELTON & JANE RUMPH	JUNE 17
ROBERT & SARAH JEFFRIES CALHOUN	JUNE 18
JEFF & SHANNON JOHNSON	JUNE 20
VICTOR & MAE LI	JUNE 21
DALLAS & JENNY KEEFE	JUNE 25
JOHN & NANCY WAGNON	JUNE 25
JERRY & JULIA TUCKER	JUNE 26

June Servers

<u>NURSERY:</u>	<u>LITURGISTS:</u>	<u>GREETERS:</u>
JUNE 04 – LESLIE JEAN WATSON CHRISTY RUFFNER	JUNE 04 – SHANNON JOHNSON	JUNE 04 – PENNY QUICK
JUNE 11 – MICHELLE ROHDE	JUNE 11 – GREG SANDERSON	JUNE 11 – DAVID & JEAN MCLEAN
JUNE 18 – CHOLES REED FARAH LEWIS	JUNE 18 – JOEY MILLS	JUNE 18 – JAP & KIM RODDY
JUNE 25 – KELLY DUSA CHOLES REED	JUNE 25 – THOMAS SAMUEL	JUNE 25 – HEATH & CHRISTIE RUFFNER
	<u>ACOLYTE:</u> PENNY QUICK	
	<u>HEAD USHER:</u> HEATH RUFFNER	

"Until We Meet Again"
JUNE 11TH AFTER WORSHIP
Covered Dish Luncheon



Join the SPPRC on Sunday, June 11th (immediately following the worship service) for a covered dish luncheon. We will honor our own pastor, Debra Armstrong. Next Sunday will be Pastor Debra's last Sunday preaching. Come and celebrate our time together with Debra and Mark, here at First United Methodist Church. We are so grateful for her time here serving the Lord Jesus Christ with us. We wish Debra and Mark blessings as they go forth and begin a new chapter in their lives.

Bring your favorite covered side dish. Mark your Calendar! See you on June 11th for a luncheon worthy of a Woman of God who has shared her life and ministry with us for the last three years.

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, JUNE 04, 2023

10:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Practice (Choir Room)
11:00 a.m. Worship

MONDAY, JUNE 05 2023

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Church Office Open
6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts (NETC)

TUESDAY, JUNE 06, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. / 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Church Office Open
11:00 a.m. United Women in Faith, Planning
Mats for the Homeless (Kinsey Mulloy Classroom)
6:00 p.m. Girls Scouts (Youth Hut)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 07, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Church Office Open
Noon Bulletin/Newsletter Deadline
6:00 p.m. Carillion Choir Practice
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice

THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Church Office Open

FRIDAY, JUNE 9, 2023

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Church Office Open

SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2023

10:00 a.m. Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Chancel Choir Practice (Choir Room)
11:00 a.m. Worship

Weekly Amount Needed: \$5,928.83
Amount Needed to Date: \$131,444.26
Sunday School Attendance May 28: 61
FUMC Food Pantry Item: Ramen Noodles
Greeters: Penny Quick
Acolyte: Penny Quick
Nursery Workers: Lesley Jean Watson and
Christy Ruffner
Sound System Operator: Holly Miles

Received week of May 31: \$ 1,847.50
Amount Received to Date: \$ 95,678.83
Worship Attendance May 28: 91
McCarn Food Bank Item: Pop Tarts
Head Usher: Heath Ruffner
Liturgist Next Week: Greg Sanderson
Flowers Next Sunday:
Video Technician: Bryson Hunter

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