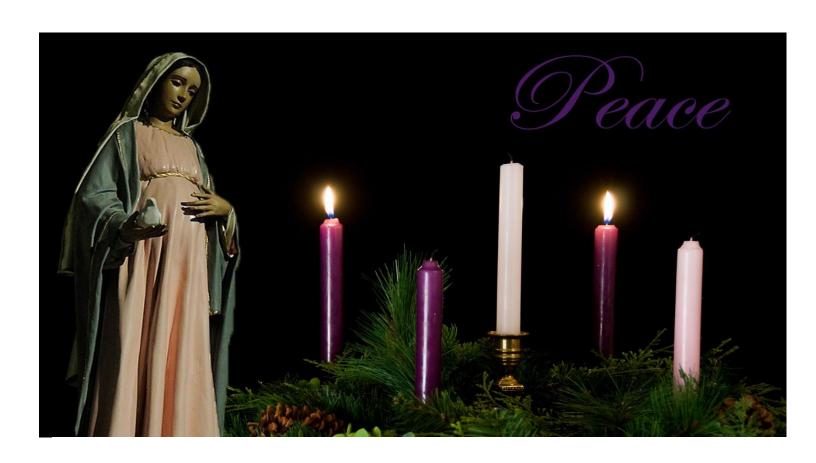
# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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THE CHURCH WITH A HEART, IN THE HEART OF CHERAW
A SERVICE OF CHRISTIAN WORSHIP
DECEMBER 10, 2023
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
LITURGICAL COLOR: PURPLE

# If you are a visitor, please sign the visitor card on the back of the pew.

### **CHIMING OF THE HOUR**

PRELUDE In the Bleak Midwinter FEY

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jimmie Williamson

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Keith

LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLES

Jimmie and Kim Williamson

\*Hymn No. 220 Angels from the Realms of Glory REGENT SQUARE

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH No. 881 The Apostles Creed Jimmie Williamson

\*Response Angels We Have Heard on High- Refrain GLORIA

"Gloria, in excelsis Deo!"

**ANTHEM** How Quietly RANEY

OFFERTORY I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light HOUSTON

\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow VENI EMMANUEL

Sung to the tune of "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel"

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel."

OFFERTORY PRAYER Pastor Keith

FIREFLIES HANDBELLS

Martha Starling & Nancy Wagnon

\*HYMN NO. 217 Away in a Manger AWAY IN A MANGER

CHILDRENS PROGRAM
CHARACTERS
THE NATIVITY (Angela Holiday & Susan Marsh)
FIREFLIES AND THE YOUTH

Narrator 1 - Bryson Hunter

Narrator 2 -Peyton Taylor

Mary - Amanda King

Joseph - Lilah King

**Angel Gabriel - Jacqueline Tomberlin** 

Angle 2 - Julia Watson

Shepherd 1 - Carli Watson

**Sheperd 2 - Alice Lang** 

Sheperd 3 - Sarah King

Wise Man 1 – Viva Lang

Wise Man 2 – Leslie Jean Watson

Wise Man 3 – Jennifer Tomberlin

# **SILENT NIGHT(Will be sung during the Play)**

Peyton Taylor and Bryson Hunter

Hymn No.224 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice IN DULCI JUBILO

\*BENEDICTION Pastor Keith

\*CHORAL RESPONSE Soon and Very Soon

Please remain standing for the choral response.

Postlude Festive Recessional MARKEY



Our PRAYER LIST- Our President, our Congress, Governors, Mayors, State and local employees, all health care workers, EMT's, all who defend our Nation, Jim Bennett, Mary Snookie Lomas, Shep Straughn, Betty Thrailkill, Mary Burr, Jody Reid, Martha Griggs, Katie Chapman, Thomas McKinnon, Curtis Jones, Meredith Creech, Erika Kollitz, Tony Thrailkill, Mike Starlings, Jackie Keefe, Kathy Treadaway(friend of Henrietta Kollitz), Jacorah Booth (friend of Joey and Trina Mills), Scotty Mason(Joey Mills' cousin), Shelton Rumph, Rhonda Jones(sister-in-law of Ruth Ann Jones), Emily Marsh, Carolyn Tuner( Amanda Carobo's Mother) Pam Walter (Angie Smith's cousin), Harley Rushing, Matthew McLain(friend of Jenny Keefe), The family of JoAnne Morgan, Alice Seel (daughter of Renie Seel), Jayne Board, Zach Mills (Trina and Joey Mills son), Pal Moore, Daryl Stubbs, Pam Baker. Note: Names are left on the prayer list for two weeks; after two weeks they are removed unless the church office is notified.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **SUNDAY Dec 10, 2023**

10:00 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:40. Chancel Choir Practice (Choir Room)

5:30-7:00 Fireflies and Youth (Not meeting)

### WEDNESDAY Dec. 13, 2023

9.00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Church Office Open 10:30AM Grief Share (Parlor) (Not Meeting) 5:30pm Handbell Rehearsal (Choir Room) 6:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

# **MONDAY Dec. 11, 2023**

9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Church Office Open

### THURSDAY Dec.14, 2023

9:00a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Church Office Closed

### **TUESDAY Dec. 12, 2023**

9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Church Office Open 10:30a.m. Mat Makers (Not Meeting)

Bible Study 10am & 6pm

# FRIDAY Dec. 15, 2023

Church Office Closed

### **SUNDAY Dec. 17, 2023**

10:00 a.m. Sunday School 10:40 a.m. Chancel Choir Practice (Choir Room) 11:00 a.m. Worship

Weekly Amount Needed: \$5,928.83 Received week of Nov. 26th: \$6421.83 Amount Needed to Date: Amount Received to Date:

Sunday School Attendance 52 Worship Attendance 96
FUMC Food Pantry Item: Canned Meat /Stew McArn Food Bank Item: Canned soup and rice
Dry cereal

Greeter: Betty Hurst

Greeters Next Sunday: Jim & Marianne Crawford

Acolyte: Penny Quick

Head Usher: Norma Cobb

Liturgist Next Week: Rhett Butler Flowers Next Sunday:

Nursery Workers:

### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT FUMC CHERAW

The Shepherd's Child Party will be December 15<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00. In the Fellowship Hall



**STAFF CHRISTMAS GIFT**: As in past years, donations will be accepted for a monetary Christmas gift for members of the church staff. Contributions may be dropped off at the church office, mailed, or placed in the offering plate. (Please clearly designate "STAFF CHRISTMAS GIFT" on your check or on the envelope if making a cash donation.) The deadline for contributions is Sunday, December 17th. This is a good way to express our appreciation to the staff for the work that they do! Staff- Parish Relations Committee

The Fellowship Hall is reserved Dec.  $11^{th} - 15^{th}$  also  $18^{th}$  for Sheperd's Child

**SPRC Meeting:** There will be a brief meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm.

The United Women in Faith will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> from 12-2 pm in the Church Parlor.

### **United Women in Faith Christmas Project**

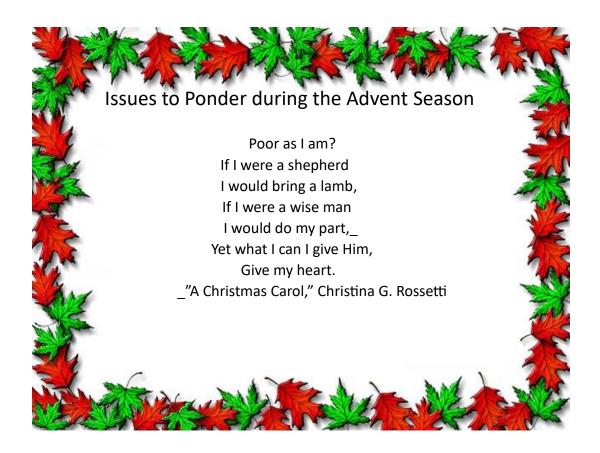
As their Christmas Project, the United Women in Faith are gifting care packages to the Town of Cheraw Employees, which includes eight departments (Public Works, Public Utility, Parks and Grounds, Recreation, Fire Department, Police, School Crossing Guards and General Department). These care packages will be filled with various packaged snack items (chips, cookies, crackers, etc.).

If members of the congregation would like to contribute to the project, they are welcome to bring their items to the marked container outside the church door office by 11:00 am, Tuesday, December 11.

If you have any questions, please contact Penny Quick at 843-910-1790.

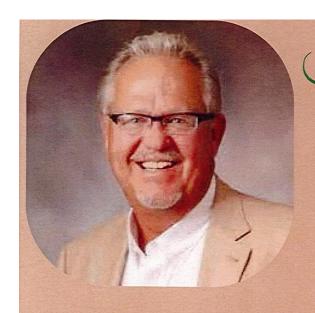
Blood Drive: December 12, 2023, to schedule your appointment please go to WWW.REDCROSSBLOOD.ORG

For those who would like to visit or send cards Pal Moore Encompass Health: Room #237 900 East Cheves St. Florence, SC 29506 Zoar United Methodist Church
Save the date!
22<sup>nd</sup>Annual Live Nativity Drive-thru
Sunday December 10, 2023, 6-8:30 PM
2842 Zoar Road, Cheraw, SC



# **Lessons & Carols**

Thursday, December 21, 2023 First United Methodist Church Cheraw, SC



# Family Wight WITH DENNIS SWANBERG

DECEMBER 17TH

SCAN THE QR CODE TO REGISTER FOR THIS FREE NIGHT OF FUN OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE @ 843-537-3863

DOORS OPEN [AT] 5PM SHOW [AT] 5:30PM





If laughter is truly the best medicine, then Dennis Swanberg, America's "Minister of Encouragement," is just what the doctor ordered. With his own down-home charm and heaping helping of hospitality, this pastor-turned-comedian has won the hearts of audiences across the country. "The Swan" doesn't care who he's talking to, as long as he can leave knowing he made someone's day a little brighter. The Swan has appeared onstage at the Grand Ole Opry, Focus on the Family, and regularly shares his faith and humor with audiences around the country at Christian conferences and corporate gatherings.

Join us at Cheraw First Baptist for a night of laughter! This is event is free of charge and we will have a finger food fellowship immediately following the show.



### First United Methodist Church Cheraw Staff