

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ABBA'S HOUSE:** We need volunteers to prepare plates & cook lasagna for Monday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Monetary donations are always welcomed.

**BIBLE STUDY:** Our Bible Study will meet Tuesday night June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm. Please read and complete rule #5 and #6.

**FACEBOOK FAN?:** Make sure to check out all of the recent posts and pictures on our FUMC Facebook page. Please like, follow, and share our page so that you can stay up-to-date with the life of our church. You'll be impressed with what a "ministry-active" church we are as you enjoy the various posts from our church. If you would like to post something to the FUMC Facebook page, please share your post to Jackson at jacstone14@gmail.com.

**YOUTH CAMP:** On June 15<sup>th</sup>, the youth will speak on their trip to Camp Ashbury.

**ANNUAL CONFERENCE:** The ordination of United Methodist Ministers (including our very own Rev. Keith Stewart) will take place June 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Greenville Convention Center in Greenville, South Carolina. Several church members are already planning to go!

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** First Presbyterian Church will be having Vacation Bible School for ages 3-adults June 17<sup>th</sup>-June 19<sup>th</sup> from 5-8pm.

**MAT-MAKERS:** The Mat Makers will resume July 8<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 10:30-12pm.

**OFFICE INFORMATION:** If you have any information for the bulletin between now and June 29<sup>th</sup>, it is due to the office by June 16<sup>th</sup> at 12:00pm. Jackson will be on vacation in Scotland so all bulletins will be printed on the 16<sup>th</sup> of June. Thank you for your help!

TITHE NEEDED WEEKLY.....	\$5,928.83.	NURSERY.....	
CONTRIBUTIONS MAY 25.....	\$9,467.75.	NURSERY JUN 8.....	
SUNDAY SCHOOL MAY 25.....	32	MCARN FOOD ITEM.....	Instant Rice
WORSHIP MAY 25.....	68	CHURCH PHONE.....	(843) 537-7002
GREETER.....	Cindy Sanderson	PASTOR.....	Rev. Keith Stewart
GREETER JUN 8.....	Sally & Keith Smith		(803.439.2543; Bkstewart@umcsc.org)
LITURGIST.....	Thomas Samuel	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT...	Shelby Nolan
LITURGIST JUN 8.....	Gregory Sanderson		(843.537.7002; fumcadassistant1@gmail.com)
HEAD USHER.....	Heath Ruffner	MUSIC DIRECTOR/ORGANIST...	Jackson Stone
ACOLYTE.....	Charlie Ruffner		(843.506.4312; jacstone14@gmail.com)

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



THE FIRST DAY *of* JUNE 2025

THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

THE CHURCH WITH A HEART *in* THE HEART OF CHERAW

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD - WHITE

JUNE 1<sup>st</sup> 2025 | 11:00AM

† THE PEOPLE STAND

**PRELUDE** Prelude on "HYFRYDOL" Dale Wood

**WELCOME TO FIRST CHURCH** Thomas Samuel  
*We welcome each of you to this service! We pray that this time together will be a blessing in your life. Please take note of our important announcements found on the back of this bulletin.*

**CHIMING & INTROIT** Wash, O God, Our Sons and Daughters BEACH SPRING  
*Wash, O God, our sons and daughters, where your cleansing waters flow. Number them among your people; bless as Christ blessed long ago. Weave them garments bright and sparkling; compass them with love and light. Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit, holy dove and heart's delight.*

**OPENING PRAYER/THE LORD’S PRAYER** Rev. Keith Stewart

†**HYMN 312** Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise LLANFAIR

†**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 881** The Apostles’ Creed Thomas Samuel

†**GLORIA PATRI 71** GREATOREX  
*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. World without end. Amen. Amen.*

**PSALM 97** Psalter 816-817 R 2 Rev. Keith Stewart

**CHILDREN’S MOMENT** Rev. Keith Stewart

†**HYMN 327** Crown Him with Many Crowns DIADEMATA

**OFFERTORY** Melodee Celeste William Kirpatrick  
*An offering is collected to support the work of First United Methodist Church. If you are visiting, please sign a visitor’s card and place it in the offering plate so we may connect with you. Scan the QR code for digital offerings.*



†**DOXOLOGY & OFFERTORY PRAYER** LASST UNS ERFREUEN  
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**ANTHEM** Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! Benjamin Harlan  
*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, his the throne; Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone; Hark! The songs of peaceful Sion thunder like a mighty flood; Jesus out of ev'ry nation hath redeemed us by his blood. Alleluia! Bread of Heaven, thou on earth our food, our stay! Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to thee from day to day: Intercessor, friend of sinner, earth's redeemer, plead for me, where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea. Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now; Alleluia! He is near us, faith believes, nor questions how; Though the cloud from sight received him, when forty day were o'er, shall our hearts forget his promise, "I am with you evermore!"*

**SCRIPTURE READING** Acts 1: 1-11 Rev. Keith Stewart

**SERMON** Where Do We Go From Here? Rev. Keith Stewart

**HOLY COMMUNION** UMH Pg. 12 Rev. Keith Stewart

†**HYMN 154** All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name CORONATION

†**DISMISSAL & PRAYER** Rev. Keith Stewart

†**CHORAL BENEDICTION** Amen 898 DANISH

†**POSTLUDE** All Creatures of Our God and King Dan Miller

**PRAYER LIST**  
Our Church, Our President, Congress, Governors, Mayors, State and local employees, health care workers, EMT’s, firefighters, law enforcement officers, people of all ages with mental illnesses, all who defend our Nation, Shep Straughn, Mary Burr, Emily Marsh, Martha Griggs, Thomas McKinnon, Curtis Jones, Tony Thrailkill, Bobby Spears, Kathy Treadaway (friend of Henrietta Kollitz), Shannon Johnson, Pam Walter (Angie Smith’s cousin), James Thurman (Angie Smith’s Father), Jenny Outen, Michelle Rohde, Donald King (Brandon King's father), Sarah Potapova (Betty Hurt's sister), The family of Betty Yates (Cindy Sanderson's mother), and Tina and Keith Stewart on the passing of Keith's sister's husband.