

ANNOUNCEMENTS

EZER CLASS: Thank you to the Ezer Sunday School Class for leading the congregation in music today. If your Sunday School class wishes to sing in the choir one Sunday, please contact Jackson Stone. We'd like to encourage all interested classes to step up!

ABBA'S HOUSE: FUMC will be feeding ABBA'S House August 11th and again September 22nd. Please be on the lookout for instructions regarding food preparation.

MAT MAKERS: Mat-Making will meet every Tuesday at 10:30am in the Daycare Kitchen.

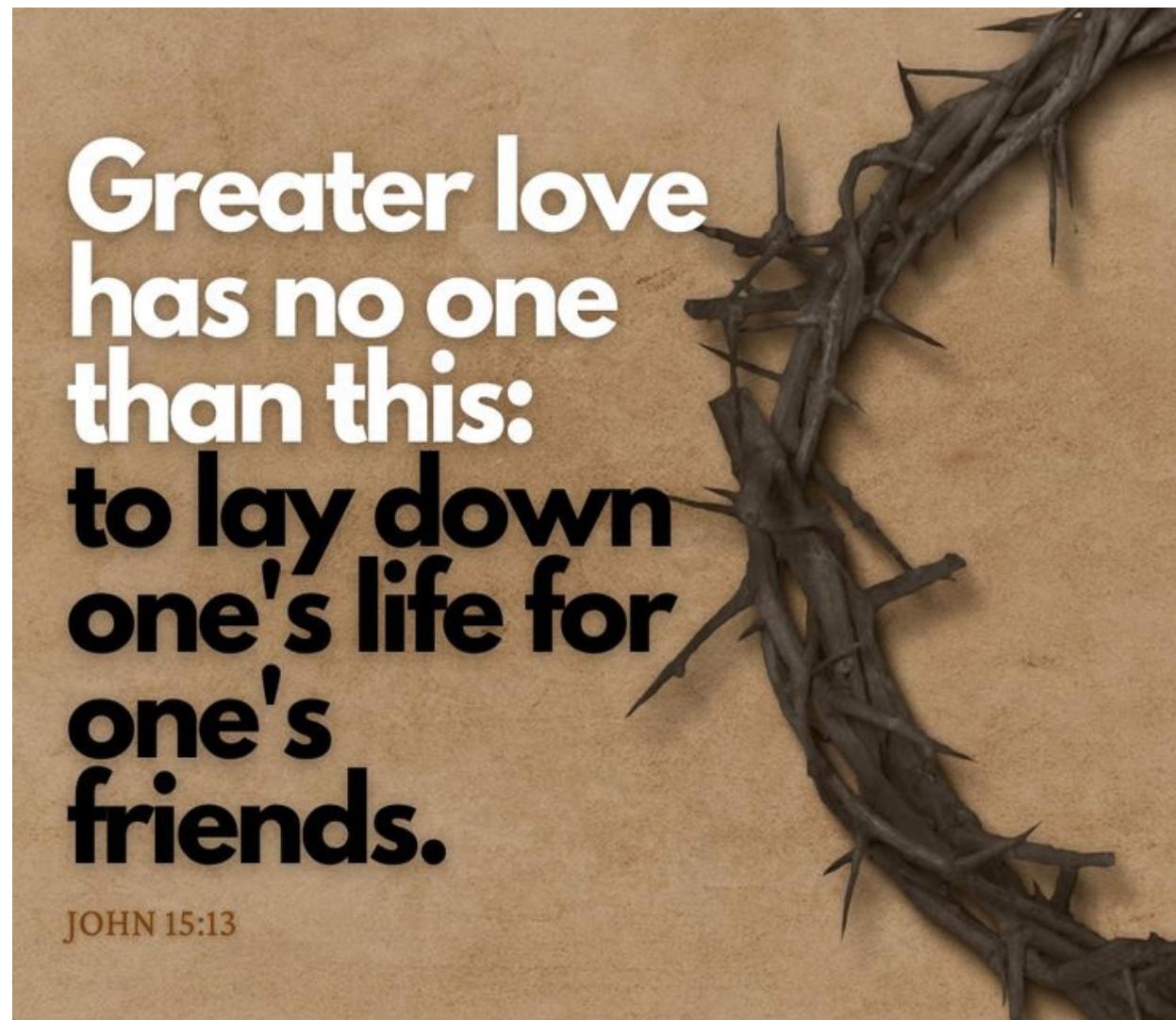
MISSION/EVANGELISM: There will be a Missions/Evangelism meeting Wednesday, July 23rd, 2025 at 5:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please make plans on your calendar to attend.

BLESSING OF THE BOOKBAGS: All school children and college kids, please bring your book bags on July 27th, 2025 and place them on the altar to receive a blessing for the whole school year!

YOUTH/FIREFLY DINNERS: Please contact Lesley Jean Watson to sign up to provide dinner for our fireflies and youth starting in September. Thank you!

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| TITHE NEEDED WEEKLY..... | \$5,928.83. | NURSERY TODAY..... | Trina Mills & Kelly Dusa |
| CONTRIBUTIONS JUL 13..... | \$4,376.75. | NURSERY JUL 27..... | Lesley Jean Watson |
| SUNDAY SCHOOL JUL 13..... | 42 | MCARN FOOD ITEM..... | Instant Rice |
| WORSHIP JUL 13..... | 89 | CHURCH PHONE..... | (843) 537-7002 |
| GREETER TODAY..... | Nancy & John Wagnon | PASTOR..... | Rev. Joseph Kovas |
| GREETER JUL 27.... | Lesley Jean & Chase Watson | | (803.374.1677; Jdkovas@umcsc.org) |
| LITURGIST TODAY..... | Eric Dusa | ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT... | Shelby Nolan |
| LITURGIST JUL 27..... | Barbara Dickson | | (843.537.7002; fumcadassistant1@gmail.com) |
| HEAD USHER JULY..... | Sammy Quick | MUSIC DIRECTOR/ORGANIST.... | Jackson Stone |
| ACOLYTE JULY..... | Norma Cobb | | (843.506.4312; jacystone14@gmail.com) |

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



THE TWENTIETH DAY of JULY 2025
THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
THE CHURCH WITH A HEART *in* THE HEART OF CHERAW

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - GREEN

JULY 20th 2025 | 11:00AM

† THE PEOPLE STAND

PRELUDE "O Love" from St. Margaret

Daniel Held

WELCOME TO FIRST CHURCH

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.

Eric Dusa

CHIMING & INTROIT O How I Love Jesus

There is a name I love to hear, I love to sing its worth; it sounds like music in my ear, the sweetest name on earth. O how I love Jesus, because He first loved me!

LOVE

OPENING PRAYER/THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Joseph Kovas

†HYMN 469 Jesus Is All the World to Me

ELIZABETH

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 881 The Apostles' Creed

Eric Dusa

†GLORIA PATRI 71

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.

GREATOREX

PSALTER 804-805 R Psalm 84

Eric Dusa

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Joseph Kovas

†HYMN 480 O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

ST. MARGARET

OFFERTORY Jesus Loves Me

Fred Bock

†DOXOLOGY & OFFERTORY PRAYER 95

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. Amen.

OLD 100TH

ANTHEM Favorite Ezer Hymns

Ezer Sunday School Class

FAVORITE HYMNS SUNG BY THE EZER SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

†SCRIPTURE READING John 15: 1-17

Rev. Joseph Kovas

SERMON *Friendship with God*

Rev. Joseph Kovas

†HYMN 526 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

CONVERSE

Our altar rail is always open for personal and intercessory prayer as the Holy Spirit guides you

†DISMISSAL & PRAYER

Rev. Joseph Kovas

†CHORAL BENEDICTION Amen 898

DANISH

Amen, Amen, Amen!

†POSTLUDE Recessional in D Major

Paul Fey

PRAYER LIST

Our Church, Our President, Congress, Governors, Mayors, State and local employees, health care workers, EMTs, 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, Tony Thrailkill, Bobby Spears, Shannon Johnson, Pam Walter (Angie Smith's cousin), James Thurman (Angie Smith's Father), Sarah Potapova (Betty Hurt's sister), Jack Van Deman, Larry Spears, Nancy Martin, and Gloria Williams.