

In Our Prayers

Our Members

Stewart Beasley, Travis Berry, Bill Bradley, Lou Collier, Sarah Dotson, Marita Eden, Dean Elliott, Peggy Heath, Pierce Horton, Elaine Reese, Dixie Roberts, Sally Sharp, Betty Vassey, Coy Williams

Our Community

Willis Bethea, Jr., brother of Lisa Pettit
Tim Smith
Peggy Reskin, sister of Michael Clancy
Shannon Threatt, daughter of Roberta Whitaker
Cindy Crump, sister of Doug McClellan

To God Be The Glory

The flowers that grace the chancel today are given to the Glory of God, by Ken and Amelia Davis.

In Ministry Today

Ushers: Ethan Geiger, George Garner, Gary McWhirter, Coy Williams, Debbie Wood, Sam Wood
Greeters: Marilyn Rainwater (9:00 a.m.); Janice McPherson, Ann Garner (11:00 a.m.)
Nursery: Deborah Adams, Katy Ghent
Acolyte: Lana Geiger, Crucifer: Angie Jackson
Counters: Lynn Melton, J.B. Sistare

Attendance and Stewardship (January 21)

Worship: 9:00—58; 11:00—89
Sunday School—59
Offering received \$4,860.05 (Weekly need: \$8,234.00)

Announcements

Lunch Bunch

Lunch Bunch will meet in the church fellowship hall on Tuesday, February 6th for a pot luck meal. Please bring a dish. Drinks will be provided. The program will include a presentation by Carla Lilly on the Mobile Shower Unit used in ministry with the homeless of our community. In response to helping this ministry, we are asking that each person bring baby diapers, new under garments, and/or new or gently used blankets to be distributed to the clients.

Souper Bowl of Caring

Sunday, February 4th is our annual SOUPER Bowl of Caring Sunday. As a part of the spiritual discipline of giving alms, bring canned goods or non-perishable items to be given to the Christian Services Food Pantry. Your gifts will go directly to help those in our community.

Lenten Bible Study

John: The Gospel of Light and Life is a 6-week Lenten Study by Adam Hamilton that looks at the life of Jesus. The study will be facilitated by Shelly Holder. There are two study opportunities in the Conference room. First, is Monday evenings beginning February 19th through March 26th at 6:00pm. Second, is Tuesday evenings beginning February 20th through March 27th at 6:00 p.m. Books are \$10 and there is a sign-up sheet in the connector.

Community Meal Sign Up for 2018

A new sign-up sheet for sponsoring our monthly Community Meal is in the Connector. Sunday School classes, Circles, church committees, and other small groups can sign up for one or two months! We have a regular group of community friends that enjoy coming for a meal with conversation and fellowship on the third Monday of the month. Please sign up your group! Thank you for sharing God's love and Word!

This Week at FUMC

Today

9:00 a.m. Worship
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
5:30 p.m. UMYF

Monday, January 29

2:00 p.m. Morning Bells

Wednesday, January 31

6:00 p.m. Jubilant Ringers
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

First United Methodist Church

200 West Gay Street
Lancaster, South Carolina



Sunday, January 28, 2018

Fourth Sunday After The Epiphany

Encountering God

Building Community

Transforming Lives

Early Service

*Song: "Jesus Loves Me" Glover, Tomlin and Morgan

Words of Welcome

*Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Message

Katy Ghent

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*Song: "Take My Life"

Tomlin and Giglio

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1:21-28
Message: "A New Teaching"

Pastor Charles

*Statement of Faith (in unison)

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

We believe in God:

**who has created and is creating,
who has come in Jesus,
the Word made flesh,
to reconcile and make new,
who works in us and others by the Spirit.**

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

**to celebrate God's presence,
to love and serve others,
to seek justice and resist evil,
to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,
our judge and our hope.**

**In life, in death, in life beyond death,
God is with us.**

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

*Song: "King of Glory"

Tomlin and Reeves

*Sending Forth

11:00 Worship

Gathering to Worship

OPENING VOLUNTARY

WORDS OF WELCOME

*GREETING

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

O my God, in you I trust;

Do not let me be put to shame;

Do not let my enemies exult over me.

Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;

Make me to know your ways, O LORD; teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth, and teach me,

For you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN OF PRAISE UMH 127

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

Williams

*OPENING PRAYER

Hearing God's Word

*HYMN OF PREPARATION UMH 440
Let There Be Light (verse 1, 2, 6)

Concord

FIRST LESSON 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

SECOND LESSON Psalm 111 (UMH 832)

GOSPEL LESSON
Message:

Mark 1:21-28
"A New Teaching"

Pastor Charles

Responding to God's Word

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM
Michael Valentino Padilla

*HYMN OF RESPONSE UMH 173
Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Sky

Wesley

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Christ is the World's Light

arr. Lloyd Larson

*THE DOXOLOGY UMH 94

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (UMH 895)

Into the World

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT UMH 155
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Perronet

*BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE
Amen (899)

Persichetti

*CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

***Congregation stands (if able).
Congregational responses are printed in bold.**