

In Our Prayers

Our Members

Charlaine Simpson, Mark Logan, Eleanor Brouwer, Bill Bradley, Lou Collier,
Sarah Dotson, Dean Elliott, Peggy Heath,
Pierce Horton, Elaine Reese, Dixie Roberts, Sally Sharp, Betty Vassey, Coy Williams

Our Community

Peggy Reskin, sister of Michael Clancy
Shannon Threatt, daughter of Roberta Whitaker
Scott Maxfield, friend of Joyce Morin
Evelyn Faulkenberry, mother of Dixie Roberts
Butch Anderson, brother of Elaine Reese

Our Sympathy

The Sympathy of the pastor and congregation is extended to Martha Beasley and family
on the recent death of her husband, Steward Beasley.

To God Be The Glory

The flowers that grace the chancel today are given to the Glory of God and in honor of our grandchildren
Kyle, Logan, McKibben, Sidney, Shelton and Candler by Elaine and Jimmy Walters.

In Ministry Today

Ushers: Donnie Little, Tim Page, Hugh Mobley, Marilyn Rainwater, Odell Steele
Greeters: Nitsa Barrentine, Martha Swain (9:00 a.m.); Cecile Flanders, Anita Palmer (11:00 a.m.)
Nursery: Deborah Adams, Katy Ghent
Acolyte: Debbie Wood, Crucifer: Pat Clancy
Counters: Margaret Parker, Will Ballard

Attendance and Stewardship (March 4)

Worship: 9:00—55; 11:00—86
Sunday School—60
Offering received \$11,627.20 (Weekly need: \$8,234.00)

Announcements

Christ Walk: Faith, Fitness, and Friendship

Each weekday at 12 o'clock noon at Springdale track at the Recreation Center. See Pastor Charles.

Children's Easter Egg Hunt

As we prepare for our annual Children's Easter Egg Hunt, we are asking for help gathering filled Easter eggs.
If you would like to help, you may drop off your filled Easter Eggs in front of Pastor Shelly's office.

This Week at FUMC

Today

7:30 a.m. UMM Breakfast
9:00 a.m. Worship
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
5:30 p.m. UMYF
6:00 p.m. UMW
Executive meeting

Monday, March 12

10:30 a.m. Hannah/Mary Circle
12 o'clock Christ Walk
2:00 p.m. Morning Bells
6:00 p.m. Bible Study
6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts

Tuesday, March 13

10:00 a.m. Bible Study
12 o'clock Christ Walk

Wednesday, March 14

12 o'clock Christ Walk
6:00 p.m. Jubilant
Ringers
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, March 15

12 o'clock Christ Walk

Friday, March 16

12 o'clock Christ Walk

First United Methodist Church

200 West Gay Street
Lancaster, South Carolina



Sunday, March 11, 2018

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Encountering God

Building Community

Transforming Lives

Early Service

- *Song: "Speak, O Lord" Getty and Townend
Words of Welcome
*Passing the Peace of Christ
Children's Message Pastor Shelly
Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer
*Song: "Kyrie Eleison" Tomlin, Ingram and Redman
Gospel Lesson: John 3:14-21
Message: "Light of the World" Pastor Charles
*Statement of Faith (in unison)
*Song: "You Never Let Go" Redman and Redman
*Sending Forth

11:00 Worship

Gathering to Worship

- OPENING VOLUNTARY
It is Well With My Soul arr. Moglebust
Jubilant Ringers
WORDS OF WELCOME
*GREETING
Lift up your eyes to the hills,
From where will our help come?
Our help comes from the LORD,
Who made heaven and earth.
O give thanks to the Lord our God.
God's mercy endures forever.
*PROCESSIONAL HYMN OF PRAISE UMH 98
To God Be The Glory TO GOD BE THE GLORY
*CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON
Merciful God,
we confess the folly of our sin and the hypocrisy
of our complaints.
We grumble about the evils in our world,
even as we commit injustices and profit through deceit.
We fret about the scarcity of resources
while hoarding earth's goods and cheating the poor.
We protest the problems of our world,
but we do not actively work to address them.
Merciful God, expose our sins before the light of your grace.
Heal our sin and free us from our foolish ways
that we may know the joy of eternal life in Jesus Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen.
*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE
Bless the Lord Berthier

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

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Hearing God's Word

SONG OF PREPARATION
Create in Me a Clean Heart

Keith Green

Refrain: *Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.*

*Cast me not away from Thy presence, O Lord.
Take not Thy holy spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,
And renew a right spirit within me. Repeat Refrain.*
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FIRST LESSON Ephesians 2:1-10

SECOND LESSON Psalm 107:1-3,17-22 (UMH 830)

GOSPEL LESSON
Message:

John 3:14-21
"Light of the World"

Pastor Charles

Responding to God's Word

*HYMN OF RESPONSE UMH 297
Beneath the Cross of Jesus

St. Christopher

OFFERING

OFFERTORY
God So Loved the World

Stainer

*THE DOXOLOGY UMH 95

Old 100th

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

Into the World

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT UMH 292
What Wondrous Love Is This

WONDROUS LOVE

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE
Bless the Lord

Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.

Berther

*CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY

*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

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