

## In Our Prayers

### Our Members

Vivian Ferguson, Bill Craig, Alan Blankenship,  
Becky Stevenson, Bill Bradley, Eleanor Brouwer,  
Rob Crews, Hope Davis, Marita Eden, Peggy Heath,  
Bill Murphy, Al Palmer, Dixie Roberts

### Our Community

Ruby Byers, mother of Phyllis Bunkley  
Imogene Blackmon, sister of Marilyn Rainwater  
Fran Freeman, sister of Joe Poston  
Willis Bethea, brother of Lisa Pettit  
Shannon Threatt, daughter of Roberta Whitaker  
Scott Maxfield, friend of Joyce Morin  
Evelyn Faulkenberry, mother of Dixie Roberts  
Butch Anderson, brother of Elaine Reese  
Rosa Lee Martin, sister of Margaret Parker  
Linda Hatterick, mother-in-law of Jim Crews  
Susan DeVenny, wife of Alston DeVenny  
Merle Sly, uncle of Darrel Damon  
Dave Graber, friend of Darrel Damon

## To God Be the Glory

The flowers that grace the chancel today are  
given by family in memory of Bill Westmoreland.

## In Ministry Today

**Ushers:** Jennifer Page, Dick Hoover, Randy Edwards,  
George Garner, Sam Wood, Jr.  
**Greeters:** Nitsa Barrentine, Martha Swain (9:00 a.m.)  
Martha Bryant, Joyce Morin (11:00 a.m.)  
**Nursery:** Deborah Adams, Katy Ghent (9:00-noon)  
**Acolyte:** Pat Clancy  
**Crucifer:** Kay Blalock  
**Counters:** Carolyn Plyler, Sara Hagins

## Attendance and Stewardship September 9

Worship: 9:00 —44; 11:00 —59  
Sunday School: 29  
Offering received \$4,754.80 (Weekly need: \$8,234.00)

## Announcements

### Church Pictorial Directory

We have requested the services of Universal Church Directories (UCD) to prepare our Pictorial Directory. The new directory will contain color portraits of all families, updated addresses and phone numbers, and will include the option of a downloadable smartphone app linked with Google maps for convenience.

The photography sessions will be here at the church on:  
Tuesday, October 9 2:00pm until 8:30pm  
Wednesday, October 10 2:00pm until 8:30pm  
Thursday, October 11 2:00pm until 8:30pm

Sign up in the connector.

### Disciple Fast Track Bible Study

Disciple Fast Track begins Thursday, September 20 at 9:00 am  
and again at 6:30 pm in the Ed Jones Conference room.

### UMW News:

The UMW Ladies will be cleaning the church kitchen in the next few weeks. If you have left any personal items in the kitchen, please pick them up.

The UMW will have their annual memorial service on  
September 30 at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This will be a  
pot luck supper.

## This Week

<b>Today</b>		<b>Wednesday, September 19</b>
9:00 a.m.	Worship	10:00 a.m. Stitch/Pray
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School	6:00 p.m. Jubilant
11:00 a.m.	Worship	Ringers
5:30 p.m.	UMYF	7:00 p.m. Ruth Circle
<b>Monday, September 17</b>		<b>Thursday, September 20</b>
6:00 p.m.	Community Meal	9:00 a.m. Disciple Fast Track
6:00 p.m.	Jr. and Brownie Scouts	6:30 p.m. Disciple Fast Track
		<b>Saturday, September 22</b>
		UMW Rock Hill District Annual meeting



# First United Methodist Church

200 West Gay Street  
Lancaster, South Carolina



## September 16, 2018

### Seventeenth Sunday

### after Pentecost

*Encountering God*

*Building Community*

*Transforming Lives*

## Early Worship

WORDS OF WELCOME

\*Song: "Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord" BALOCHE

\*Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Message Pastor Shelly

Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

\*Song: "Jesus Messiah" TOMIN, CARSON AND REEVES

Scripture: Mark 8:27-38  
Message: "Of Divine Things" 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: "Mighty to Save" FIELDING AND MORGAN

\*Sending Forth

## Traditional Worship

### *Gathering to Worship*

OPENING VOLUNTARY

*My Jesus, as Thou Wilt*

CARL von WEBER

\*GREETING

This is the day the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Look at the heavens!

**They are shouting the glory of God.**

The days and the nights declare the magnificence

of God's creative works.

**Their voice goes through all the earth**

**and their words reach the ends of the world.**

Let our words of praise be acceptable to you.

**Our Lord, our rock, our redeemer!**

\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN OF PRAISE UMH 545

*The Church's One Foundation*

SAMUEL WESLEY

\*OPENING PRAYER

\*GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

MINENEKE

### *Hearing God's Word*

SONG OF PREPARATION TFWS 2157

*Come and Fill Our Hearts*

CONFITEMINI DOMINO

*Come and fill our hearts with your peace.*

*You alone, O Lord, are holy.*

*Come and fill our hearts with your peace, Alleluia. (Repeat)*

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THE FIRST LESSON

James 3:1-12

THE PSALM

Psalm 19

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 8:27-38

Pastor Charles

The Message:

"Of Divine Things"

### *Responding to God's Word*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH UMH 881

The Apostles' Creed

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE UMH 454

*Open My Eyes That I May See*

CLARA SCOTT

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Amazing Grace*

AMAZING GRACE

Soloist: Mica Edwards

\*THE DOXOLOGY UMH 95

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*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.*

*Praise God, all creatures here below.*

*Praise God above, ye heavenly host.*

*Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

### *Into the World*

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT UMH 400

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

NETTLETON

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE UMH 349

*Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

LEMMEL

\*CHIMING OF THE HOLY TRINITY

\*CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Blessed Assurance*

CROSBY

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