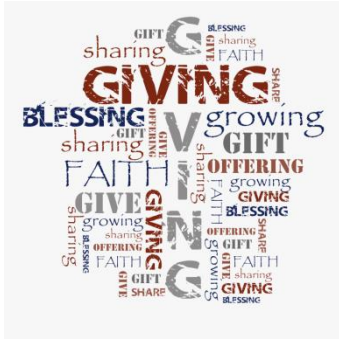


CHURCH MEETINGS, EVENTS

All meetings, events, outings, and activities at the church are cancelled until further notice. We will continue to follow all guidelines set forth by Bishop Holston and other government officials in resuming our "normal" activities.



Please continue to support your church financially during the upcoming weeks. The obligations of the church continue and your tithes and offerings are

important. Please mail your offering to the church at 5908 Tabernacle Road (the mailbox is checked daily), or reach out to Jodie Plyler and arrangements can be made to pick it up. Thank you!



HOPE IN LANCASTER-

Monetary donations are needed during this time. You may donate online, mail payment directly to

HOPE, or write a check to Tabernacle UMC (memo HOPE), and we will cut a check and send to them. Thank you!

<https://www.hopeinlancaster.org/donations/>

HOPE in Lancaster - PO Box 166
Lancaster, SC 29721



Meals on Wheels continue to deliver meals and supplies to members of our community who are homebound.

Tabernacle Delivery Schedule

May 18-22

June 8-12

June 29-July 2 (no delivery on July 3)

If you have any pastoral needs or concerns
please contact Pastor Larry,
(704) 465-7853

2020 LUNCH BUNCH SCHEDULE

We will not meet this month.

With guarded optimism, we hope to see everyone at Napoli Restaurant in Monroe on Thursday, June 11 at 11:30am.

We will keep you updated!



As you also know our conference has designated Mother's Day (May 10th) as a special missions day with an offering for Epworth Children's Home. This

offering is traditionally the largest single offering Epworth receives each year and is a major portion of our congregational support.

Keeping in mind that we may not be able to have in-person worship on Mother's Day to collect this offering, we have been asked to designate a Sunday later in the month. We will observe this Epworth offering on Sunday, May 31. The special Mother's Day offering envelopes will be used for this offering. If you would prefer to donate online directly to Epworth, here is the link to their site.

<https://www.epworthchildrenshome.org/give/>

Please remember that Epworth is not an apportioned item and the loss of funding from not being able to take a Mother's Day offering would leave a huge hole in our ministry funding.

Thank you for your continued support of Epworth Children's Home.



Bishop L. Jonathan Holston, resident bishop of the South Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church, released this statement regarding the latest guidance in response to the coronavirus pandemic in our state:

South Carolina United Methodists continue to fulfill our mission of making disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world in remarkable and groundbreaking ways in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

You are maintaining and spreading hope in spite of unprecedented restrictions on established ways of doing ministry. You are standing steadfast in spite of this extended period of isolation we are all living through.

You are creatively staying connected with your communities, even as we continue to observe social distancing and other safety advice from health experts. In consultation with The Cabinet, and in compliance with the most recent information shared by public health officials, I am strongly recommending that leaders of each local church continue to suspend in-person worship services – and all gatherings, meetings and events – **through May 20, 2020**. Conference leaders will continue monitoring developments in the pandemic, and we will share our recommendations about events planned beyond May 20 in the coming weeks.

My friends, we serve a loving God whose word is a light that brightens our path even when it is difficult for us to see. The time will come when we will be together again physically. Together in worship. Together in service. Together in fellowship. We will pass the peace again. We will stand shoulder-to-shoulder again, praising our Savior in word and song.

In the meantime, I know that you will remain persistent in finding ways to be in community with your sisters and brothers in Christ. Our regularly updated collection of resources to help local churches through this unprecedented time can be found at umcsc.org/coronavirus.

And please meet me each morning – on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and at umcsc.org – as we continue to pray for those affected by the coronavirus, for those experiencing stress and anxiety and financial uncertainty, for medical professionals treating and caring for patients, and for those working to ensure a healthier future for all of us.

Grace and peace,
L. Jonathan Holston
Resident Bishop



**Congratulations
Class of 2020!**

Clayton Hammond- Buford
Max Robinson- Buford
Will Robinson- Winthrop
University

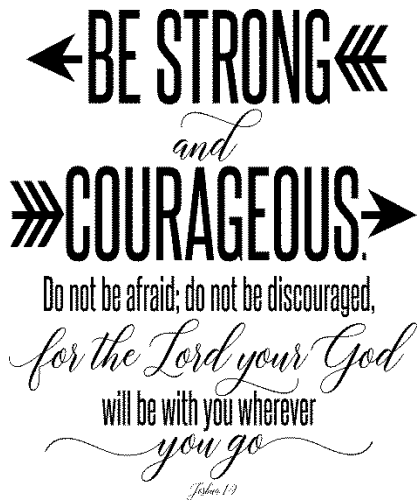
We will honor our graduates on
Sunday, May 24. Each graduate is asked to wear
their cap and gown.



Music Notes

During our Drive-in services
we have continued to sing
hymns and have special music
every Sunday. Some of our
choir members have helped lead the hymns and
sing solos and duets. We appreciate their help.

If any of our church members would like to lead a
hymn or sing, please let Sam know. We would need
at least a week's notice.



Wherever You Go

Graduations bring a commencement, or beginning, of new things.

In 1990, Dr. Seuss published *Oh, the Places You'll Go!* This popular graduation gift tells in Seuss' inimitable style of all life's possible ups and downs, twists and turns. There will surely be excitement and slumps, fun and loneliness, purpose and confusion. And, yes, fear: "There are some [things], down the road between hither and yon, that can scare you so much you won't want to go on."

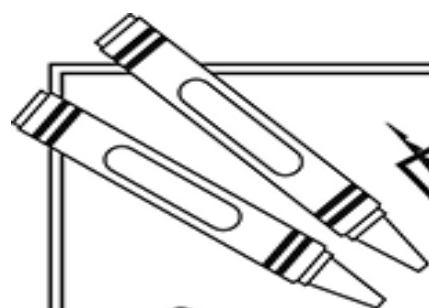
The sheer determination of the storybook's life-traveler moves him beyond trouble and fear. But God's children don't have to go it alone. Life cannot take us anywhere God hasn't been first. Furthermore, he walks beside us on every winding path and around every corner.

Graduates — and all Christians — can trust in the promise of Joshua 1:9 (NIV):
"Be strong and courageous ... for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go."

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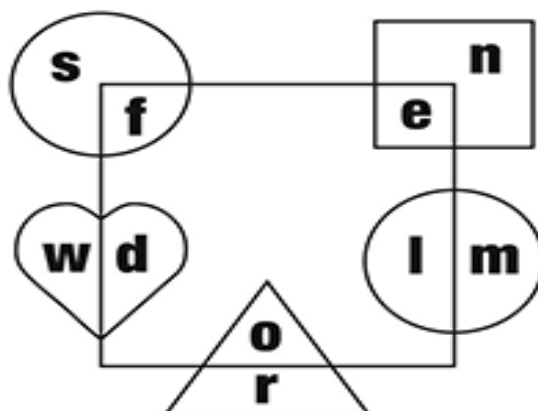
PUZZLE

GOD CARES FOR YOU!

Jesus tells his followers not to worry about their daily needs.
What example does he give of God's care for his creation?

Directions:

To complete Luke 12:27 (NIV), match the shapes under each blank with the letter shapes shown to the right.



"Consider how the wild _____
grow. They do not labor or spin.

Yet I tell you, not even _____
in all his splendor was _____
like one of these." Luke 12:27, NIV