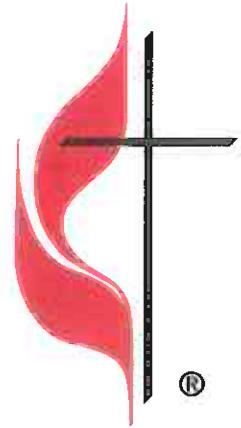




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Our Mission:
Bring Them In...
Build Them Up...
Send Them Out!



The Weekly Newsletter of First United Methodist Church, Conover

January 15, 2019



Pictured above left to right back row; Michael Chavez, Dakota Linebarger, Briceson Philaphone, Eli Self, Sarah Starnes, Jeb Keisler, and Addison Starnes. Front row; Harper Brackett, Abby Hernandez, Maitlyn Fox, Ellie Heck, Sadie Abernethy, Reagan Robinson, Isabella Robinson and Ethan Te. Center Front; Lacey Bolus (not pictured; Dylan Arango).

CHRIST IS BORN!

On December 19th our FUMCC Preschool three and four year olds presented a production of "The Grumpy Shepherd". This was a reenactment of the Christmas Story from a (grumpy) shepherd's point of view.

The program was attended by parents, families, and friends, including The Conover Adult Life Center and Mrs. Betty Moritz, founder of our wonderful preschool program. We had approximately 115 in attendance.

Following the program everyone enjoyed cookies and punch along with fellowship with one another. As always, we were surprised with a visit with "The Man". Santa Claus arrived to visit and sit with all of the children, young and old, to hear their holiday dreams. Thank you, Santa.

Thank you Church for allowing the wonderful program and outreach ministry. JESUS LOVES ME THIS I KNOW.

Ginger Doub, Preschool Director

PRAYERS, PRAISES AND NEEDS



Let Us Pray...

As an ongoing part of our Nurturing Ministry, we are asking all members of our church to pray for six specific families. Each week we will identify a different group of six families as we work our way through our church roll. The families for this week are:

Nikki Kelly
Chase Kiger
Margaret Kilpatrick
Danielle Kincaid
Clyde & Carol Kistler
Dennis, Jo Ellen, Katie & Sara Knecht



A NOTE OF SYMPATHY

Linda Kay Benefield Mask, age 76 and mother of Crystal Morrow, died Saturday, January 12, 2019 at Autumn Care of Drexel.

A Graveside Service was held on Wednesday, January 16, 2019 at 2:00pm at Harris Chapel Baptist Church Cemetery, 1444 Cahah's Mtn. Rd., Hudson, NC 28638, conducted by Dr. Gary Royals and Pastor Ron Burgett.

The family received friends following the service in the church fellowship hall.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Crystal, Patrick, Matthew, Mackenzie and the family during this difficult time.

THANK YOU

Dear FUMCC Family,
Jimmy & I would again like to thank the congregation for your enormous support during the past year. Being able to walk again is truly a miracle.
We are all so blessed to be members of such a warm, loving church family.

God Bless,
Mary-Jean & Jimmy

IN/OUT OF HOSPITAL

Don Barbersek at Frye Regional (At home)

MEMORIALS

General Fund

In memory of Doris Safrit by:
Joan B. Rowe

In memory of Rocky Hager by:
Daren & Catherine Hefner

In memory of Joe Rudisill by:
Catawba County Schools Media Coordinators
Gary & Karen Honeycutt

In memory of Ellie Keisler by:
Randy & Diane Howard

Youth Fund

In memory of Doris Safrit by:
Dolores Setzer

SOUL SISTERS CIRCLE SOUP SALE

The Soul Sisters Circle will be selling their delicious homemade soups on Sunday, February 3 in the Commons area from 9:30 – 11:15 am between worship services and during the Sunday school hour.
WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO PREORDER YOUR SOUPS SO WE CAN GUARANTEE YOU GET YOUR CHOICES! Preordered soups are also available to pick up on Saturday, February 2 from 2 – 4 in the kitchen of the Connor Family Life Center. The soups are \$5 for a pint. There are (3) awesome offerings: Cheesy Potato, Chicken with Wild Rice and Vegetables and Hamburger Taco Soup.
You can preorder your soup by calling Rita Deal at (828) 465-7273 and leaving a message or emailing Rita at msdeal@charter.net.

All monies will be used to support our missions. Thank you for your support!

STOCK THOSE FREEZERS!!!



NEWS TO USE

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Jan. 17** 6:30pm - UMM meeting (CFLC)
- Jan. 19** 8am-2pm "Hoops games (CFLC)
- Jan. 20** 3:30-7:30pm Youth Min. Teams (CFLC/Sanc.GH)
- Jan. 20** 5-6:30pm Youth-in-Training (Gray House)
- Jan. 20** 6pm - MLKJ Community Service (Covenant Ch.)
- Jan. 21** Office Closed in observance of MLKJ Birthday
- Jan. 21** Preschool Closed
- Jan. 22** 10:30-11:30am - Prayer Meeting (Parlor)
- Jan. 22** 7pm - Disciple 1 Bible Study (CFLC)
- Jan. 23** 6-9pm - "Hoops" practices (CFLC)
- Jan. 25** 6:30pm - Girl Scouts (CFLC)
- Jan. 26** 8am-2pm - "Hoops" games (CFLC)

PASTOR'S QUIZ

In Matthew, the number of wise men is



- a. two
- b. three
- c. four
- d. unspecified

(The correct answer is on the back of the newsletter.)

DON'T FORGET OUR MEMBERS IN THE NURSING FACILITIES & OUR HOMEBOUND!

Pauline Parker at Conover Nursing Center
(Room 316);

Rick Parker at Catawba Valley Living at
Rock Barn (Room 107)

Betty Shell at Catawba Valley Living at
Rock Barn (Room 115)

LaVerna Wilson
4801 Edwards Mill Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27612-4417

Grace Whitlock
The Dorchester
12920 Dorman Road
Pineville, NC 28134

Fred Fisher at Harmony Court, (Room 1052)
102 Leonard Avenue, Abernethy Laurels

Don Barbersek, 609 2nd Ave. NW
Conover, NC 28613

Sadie Clark, 227 West 27th St.,
Newton, NC 28658

Dolores Setzer
PO Box 1237

Conover, NC 28613

Ruth White, 522 Edinboro Dr.,
Southern Pines, NC 28387

If you know of any homebound members that need to be on our list, please contact the church office at (828) 464-4635.

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
COMMUNITY SERVICE
SUNDAY, JANUARY 20, 2019
6:00PM**

**AT COVENANT
CHRISTIAN
CHURCH**

**SPEAKER: CHAZ
BEASLEY**



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

By Our Presence January 13, 2019
Sunday School
112

Worship:	
8:45 am	98
11:00 am	132
Live streaming	29
Total	259

God's Tithe & Our Gifts

General Fund	\$	7,742.50
<i>(Needed weekly for budget: \$12,180)</i>		

Capital Campaign (Shell Prop.)	125.00
Children's Bank	2.00
Live Streaming Fund	300.00
Youth Fund	50.00
Total	\$ 8,219.50

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GUESTS for Sunday, January 13, 2019
 Jean Auton; Robin Dagenhardt; Junior & Anita Deal; Haley Beech; Nancy Long; Bill Reed; Kaylee Wentzell; Keith & Susan Tucker; Jaqueline Paredes.

By Our Service January 20, 2019

Usher Captains:
 8:45 AM Keith Hall
 11:00 AM Adam Johnson

Greeters:
 8:45 AM Tommie Hall
 11:00 AM Sue Dwiggins

Acolytes:
 8:45 AM Rylee Garrison
 11:00 AM Michael Van Rooyen

Nursery Workers:
 8:45 AM Michelle Brackett
 11:00 AM Melissa Johnson

Thank you Nursery Committee Coordinator for
 January, Laurette Rheeder

PECANS FOR PRESCHOOL

The FUMCC Preschool is still selling Priester's Pecans as a fundraising event. The holidays are over but you still have to eat!!! If you would like to purchase pecans please call Ginger Doub at (828) 446-2560.

1 lb. bags Pecan Halves \$14.00

1 lb. bags Pecan Pieces \$12.00

Please remember that this is a fundraiser for our preschool program to help meet classroom and children's needs.

Thank you!



Answer to this week's Pastor's Quiz:

d. unspecified (Matthew 2:1-12)

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Dr. Gary Royals (pastor@fumcconover.org)
Assistant Pastor of Faith Dev.	Charmaine Van Rooyen (apfd@fumcconover.org)
Administrative Assistant	Robin Mays (fumcc@fumcconover.org)
Music Director	Jonathan Rogers (jsrogers99@gmail.com) (828) 244-7019
Pianist	Shannon Rogers (srog101@gmail.com) (828) 244-6124
Preschool Director	Ginger Doub (466-3158) (ps@fumcconover.org)
Lead Nursery Worker	Pilar Tobar
Custodian	Luisa Toro Bryan (828) 464-4635
Church Office	(828) 464-3423
Facsimile	www.fumcconover.org
Website:	(828) 464-4635-church
Pastor's phone numbers	(704) 787-0598-cell
Pastor's address	2161 Augusta National Drive Denver, NC 28037
Assistant Pastor's phone #	(781) 913-4415 - cell
Assistant Pastor's address	1307 8th Avenue NW Conover, NC 28613

Fueling Faith

PRAYER Meeting

Tuesday, January 22 from 10:30—11:30 am in the Parlor.

Consider joining us in the Prayer meeting that will take place every Tuesday.



YOUTH IN TRAINING - Children's Ministry for K-5th grade.

As of January 20, 2019 we will meet in the Grey House, which is the grey house next to the church. We will meet at 5pm and children will be able to eat a light snack supper before they are dismissed at 6:30pm. This ministry will not be part of Youth ministry meetings; we will simply share the house. Please contact me with questions, concerns or suggestions at:

Telephone: (828) 464-4635 / Email: apfd@fumconover.org / Text : (781) 913-4415

CHILDREN'S MOMENTS

If you would like to be on the schedule to do Children's Moments at either or both of the worship services on Sunday mornings please let me know.

Children's Moments is a 4 minute (or so) time for children birth through 5th grade to receive a lesson.

I want to remind our Conover First UMC family that men are invited to take part in this ministry too. I believe everything teaches, and right now I am afraid our unintentional message is that this is something only women do.

Please, please help me change the message. New faces mean children will listen more attentively because they are curious by nature.

Contact me to be on the regular rotation or maybe once a year for now. We need you!

Pastor Charmaine

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Romans 12:12

Tasting at the Table

Cookbook Launch Party

January 31, 2019

5-7PM

The Corner Table Soup Kitchen

122 N Main Ave

Newton, NC 28658

FREE EVENT

Meet the
Author &
sample
mouth-
watering
recipes!

Cookbooks
available
at event.

