



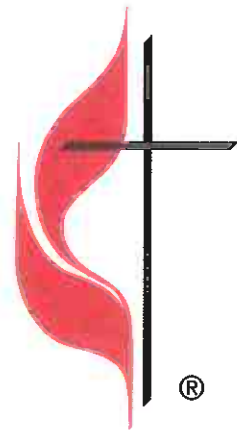
CONOVER  
FIRST UNITED  
METHODIST

*Our Mission:*

*Bring Them In...*

*Build Them Up...*

*Send Them Out!*



*The Weekly Newsletter of First United Methodist Church, Conover*

*April 16, 2019*

### **MEET OUR NEW ORGANIST!!!**

Dear FUMC-Conover,

First, I just want to say how happy and blessed I feel to be a new part of your church family! I cannot wait to start on April 28<sup>th</sup>!



Now for some things about me. I am a native of South Carolina, and have been for the past 18 years! I am also adopted from Kazakhstan. Now, in 2004 my musical journey began. I started on the piano, studying with the Joanne Marie School of Music, based in Lake Wylie, having daily private lessons with Mr. Dan Barnaba, up until 2018. In 2013, I began my church work where serving as a substitute and interim organist were my main duties, as well as light choral direction. I have served in the Presbyterian Church (PCUSA), Anglican Church, Episcopal Church, Lutheran Church, Baptist Church, and Methodist Church over the past six years. In early 2017, a new opportunity arose at a local Methodist church, Trinity United Methodist Church, where I have served as Associate Director of Music/Organist for the past two years. I love all kinds of music, traditional and new! I plan on majoring in sacred music/organ performance at either Lenoir-Rhyne, or Appalachian State. My promise to you as the new organist, is that the music will always be top notch, of excellent quality, and worshipful!

A few of my most significant accomplishments have been getting the rank of Eagle Scout, being awarded the Robert-Anne Stigall Scholarship (organ scholarship), and soon, graduation from Clover High School!

Aside from music, I enjoy cooking, hiking, kayaking, biking, nature, playing with my cats and dogs, doing photography, drafting church designs and being with friends and family. I am looking forward to becoming a part of this church family for a long time!

Looking forward to meeting you all very soon!

Alex Wilson

# \*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. Those with a \* are non-members. The families for this week are:

Clay, Vicki, Cassandra, Elizabeth & Alexander Rockett  
Dan, Kathy & Anna Rockett  
David, Ginger, Tanner & Taylor Rockett  
Doug, Samantha, Wyatt, Jack & Reese Rockett  
Jon, Shannon, Mackenzie & Jon Michael Rogers  
Tony & Sheila Rowe

## **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

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

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

Betty Moritz, (Temporarily)  
103 County Home Rd.  
Conover, NC 28613

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.

## **IN/OUT OF HOSPITAL**

Betty Shell at Frye RMC (Conover Rehab)  
Don Hedrick (at home)

## **THANK YOU**

Dear church family,  
Thank you so very much for all the things you did for me while I was in the hospital. Thank you for the cards, calls, visits, prayers, and food that you have provided to me. I love my church family. God bless you all.

Glenna Sherrill

## **COMMUNITY EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE - Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ**

**Easter Sunday Morning at 6:30AM**

**BREAKFAST TO FOLLOW**



## **PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER**

Throughout April and May the preschool will again be offering Preister's Pecans. We have one lb. bags each of pecan pieces and pecan halves and the cost is \$10.00 per bag. You may pick these up any time Monday thru Thursday from 9:00am until 12:00pm here at the preschool. You may also call Ginger Doub @ 446-2560 and I can make a time to get the product to you on Sunday. This is a great time to get ready for Easter Lunch and summer snacking. All proceeds will go to the preschool program, an outreach of FUMC Conover.

To God Be The Glory!

Ginger Doub,  
Preschool Director



# NEWS TO USE

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Apr 18** 6-8pm "Journey to Jerusalem" Prayer Walk  
(All facilities - Starts in the CFLC)
- Apr 19** 6-8pm "Journey to Jerusalem" Prayer Walk  
(All facilities - Starts in the CFLC)
- Apr 21** 6:30am - Community Easter Sunrise Service at  
Trinity Reformed UCC (Breakfast to follow)
- Apr 21** 8:45 & 11:00am Services (Bring fresh flowers)
- Apr 21** 12-5pm - CFLC - Wayne & Virginia Thornburg
- Apr 22** Office Closed in observance of Easter
- Apr 22 - Apr 26** Preschool closed all week
- Apr 23** 10am-4pm Miracle Moms Drop-Off  
(Faithbuilders classroom)
- Apr 25** 6pm - UMM - Drums/Pathways (CFLC/Kit. 2-9pm)
- Apr 26** 6:30pm - Girl Scouts (CFLC)



## **FLOWERING THE CROSS ON EASTER MORNING**

Please remember to bring flowers on Sunday, April 21st to flower the cross. We will be flowering the cross at both services. If you have extra flowers, please bring them to share with those who do not have flowers or forgot theirs. Thank you for your participation in this meaningful part of the service.

## MISSING MEN'S JACKET



There was a golf rain jacket hanging in the CFLC Kitchen that belonged to Bob Goodson. If you have picked this jacket up by mistake please return it to the church office or to Bob.  
Thank you.

## PASTOR'S QUIZ

After the angel rolled back the stone, what did he do?



- sat on it
- stood on it
- leaned against it
- fell before it

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



## EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT SPENCER BRACKETT

Just a reminder that Spencer Brackett is accepting donations for his Eagle project. Anything is appreciated!

Please make checks payable to First United Methodist Church, and put "Spencer Brackett Eagle Project" in the memo section. Thank you church family for everything!

Spencer Brackett

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

By Our Presence April 14, 2019  
Sunday School  
132

Worship:	
8:45 am	135
11:00 am	140
Boy Scouts & Leader	4
Live streaming	<u>21</u>
Total	300

### God's Tithe & Our Gifts

General Fund	\$	9,075.50
<i>(Needed weekly for budget: \$12,180)</i>		
Boy Scouts (Spencer Brackett ESP)		110.00
Capital Campaign (Shell Prop.)		2,100.00
Livestreaming Fund		1,000.00
Miracle Moms' Ministry		<u>550.00</u>
Total	\$	12,835.50

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**GUESTS for Sunday, April 14, 2019**  
 Phyllis Brown; Joanie & Heather Taliaferro;  
 Kalen Bolick; Keith & Susan Tucker;  
 Amy Richards; Mary Broome; Gary & Sharon  
 Keuper; Judy Rayburn-Young; Athena  
 Pantelopoulos; Randy & Jeanne Abernathy;  
 Melissa Hunsucker; Colton McGinnis; Linda Baker;  
 John & Margie Furnage; Bryan, Donna & Jessie  
 Ross; Junior & Anita Deal; Amber Legoullon;  
 Wesley & Brandie Tucker.

**CONNOR SCHOLARSHIP  
 APPLICATIONS ARE NOW  
 AVAILABLE**  
**Deadline: April 30th at 4:00pm**

Applications must be completed as outlined on the cover page of the application. Incomplete applications may not be considered.

You may pick up an application during the church's office hours, Monday - Thursday from 8am-12noon and 1-4pm. You may also email the church office at [fumcc@fumconover.org](mailto:fumcc@fumconover.org) to have an application and the instructions emailed to you. Or you may call to have an application and instructions emailed to you. Please indicate which application (high school or college) you need.

Completed applications must be turned in to Denise Moose or to the church office by 4pm on April 30th.

Thank you.



Answer to this week's Pastor's Quiz:  
 a. sat on it (Matthew 28:2)

**By Our Service April 21, 2019**

**Usher Captains:**  
 8:45 AM Armando Lagunas  
 11:00 AM Ron Harris

**Greeters:**  
 8:45 AM Joyce Lagunas  
 11:00 AM Barbara Hager

**Acolytes:**  
 8:45 AM Haley Matthews  
 11:00 AM Bradley Markland

**Crucifer:**  
 11:00 AM Addison Punch

**Nursery Workers:**  
 8:45 AM Michele Moritz  
 11:00 AM Brooke Connor

Thank you Nursery Committee Coordinator for April, Melissa Johnson

**CHURCH STAFF**

Pastor	Dr. Gary Royals ( <a href="mailto:pastor@fumconover.org">pastor@fumconover.org</a> )
Assistant Pastor of Faith Dev.	Charmaine Van Rooyen ( <a href="mailto:apfd@fumconover.org">apfd@fumconover.org</a> )
Administrative Assistant	Robin Mays ( <a href="mailto:fumcc@fumconover.org">fumcc@fumconover.org</a> )
Music Director	Jonathan Rogers ( <a href="mailto:jsrogers99@gmail.com">jsrogers99@gmail.com</a> ) (828) 244-7019
Pianist	Shannon Rogers ( <a href="mailto:srog101@gmail.com">srog101@gmail.com</a> ) (828) 244-6124
Preschool Director	Ginger Doub (466-3158) ( <a href="mailto:ps@fumconover.org">ps@fumconover.org</a> )
Lead Nursery Worker	Pilar Tobar
Custodian	Luisa Toro Bryan (828) 464-4635
Church Office	(828) 464-3423
Facsimile	<a href="http://www.fumconover.org">www.fumconover.org</a>
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

# MORE NEWS TO USE

## ECCCM "MARCH MADNESS"

The winning team, by support through poundage of food received, is Duke University. Second place goes to UNC and NC State came in third.

The church with the greatest poundage was Beth Eden Lutheran, 1st Presbyterian came in second with First UMC Conover finishing in third.

The overall real winner is those in our community who are food insecure and are clients at the ECCCM Charlie Bunn Food Pantry. Your competitive donations through out the March Madness Food Drive resulted in 2,819 pounds of food, which will feed 25 families.

Thank you for your partnership in ministry as ECCCM continues to provide a hand up, not a hand out.



## NEWS FROM ECCCM

Dear Pastor & Congregation,  
Thank you for your donation of 195 pounds of food during the month of March to the ECCCM Charlie Bunn Food Pantry!

Thank you for partnering with us to provide nutritious food to those who hunger, strengthening the future of our community.

## ECCCM 2019 VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

**May 7th - Next volunteer day for First UMC - Conover**

## "LEAP OF FAITH" BUILDING TEAM TRIP



Leap of Faith- Building Mission Team- June 23- 29

Our Building Team has been working on our mission week in Plymouth, NC.

Our week has another option that may interest you.

We would love for you to stay the whole week if you can, but if you cannot, how about this?

1/2 week from June 23- Wednesday morning, June 26 or

1/2 week from June 26- Saturday morning, June 29

Vans will not return, for the youth are visiting the beach on Wednesday, June 26.

Let Sandy Baucom know if you are interested in joining us for a the half week option or if you would like to join us for the whole week!!

**Next meeting is Tuesday, May 7 at 6:30 in the Faithbuilders classroom.**

**Sandy Baucom**

# EVEN MORE NEWS TO USE

## Help Our Children

The mission project for VBS, July 21-25, will be gathering items and filling **A.G.A.P.E. Christmas Shoes Boxes** to be sent to Armenia. Please plan to help the children collect enough items to ensure they each have at least one box to fill at VBS. If you want to see more about this project sponsored by the United Methodist Churches in NC go to <http://www.wnccumc.org/project-agape>. **April 14 - May 5**, we are asking for the following:

- Ages 3 - 6 ( ball, car, doll, toy or game, coloring book, Crayola crayons)
- Ages 7 - 12 (coloring book, Crayola crayons, stuffed animal, toy or game, box of colored pencils, pencil sharpener)
- Containers for each age group will be located in the in the hallway, left of the front of the sanctuary.



Thank you.

Lois Goodson

## “MIRACLE MOM’S MINISTRY”

Please help us with our Miracle Moms project by donating items to fill these 50 bags, so that in turn we can help alleviate some stress on the NICU moms this Mother’s Day. Help us to remind these women that God loves them and so do we!

Ways to Donate:

1. You can donate money that will go towards the items needed for this project.
2. You can donate items;

Hand sanitizer (travel size)

Deodorant (travel size)

Hair bows/athletic headbands

Socks

Snacks/candy

Adult Coloring books/crosswords

Fleece blankets

Gift cards (Walmart, Target, McDonald’s, Wendy’s)

And most importantly **DEVOTION BOOKS**. That is what helped me most.

Stuffed animals for their baby (must be small and new)

Lotion (travel size)

Chapstick

Tissues (travel size)

Nail files/polish

Gatorade/water

Pens/colored pencils

Deadline is no later than May 5th!!

Thank you for your donations and prayers for these “Miracle Moms”.

Elizabeth Conner





**First United Methodist Church, Conover  
Youth Ministry 2018-2019**

**Youth Meeting  
May 5th at 5pm**

God is with us  
24/7 - Deut. 31:6

Senior Handprints on the wall at 5pm! Final youth practices before youth Sunday. Please try to come. Practices are at normal times.

**Calendar Watch**  
Thur Apr 18 & Fri Apr 19 - Prayer Walk

**Prayer Walk  
April 18th & 19th**

May 5 - Final Youth Meeting & Practices

Anthony Price has asked for youth help with the Prayer Walk this year. Please let Anthony, Charles, or Mary know if you can help one or both days. Service hours can be earned.

May 7 - Mission Trip Meeting

**IgniteUs for Middle School Youth**  
🔥 May 3-5 🔥

**SpiritUs 2K19  
Aug 9-11**

Registration forms & payment are DUE. Please complete and return it & payment to Charles or Mary.

Deadline: April 28th.  
Please notify Charles or Mary

One more chaperone is needed. Please let me know if you can help make this trip a success.

**Leap of Faith  
Summer Mission  
Trip**

**Dates to Remember:**

Meeting: Tues, May 7  
@ 6:30 in Faith  
Builders Classroom.

Prayer Walk - April 18 & 19  
Middle School IgniteUs - May 3-5  
Spring Youth Sunday - May 19  
Graduate Sunday - June 2  
SpititUs - Aug 9-11



For more information about the Youth Ministry at FUMCC, please contact Charles Hornick (828-381-7231 / charles\_h71@charter.net) or Mary Hornick (828-381-7233 / maryhornick1974@gmail.com)

# **NC LITTER SWEEP**

**APRIL 13 – APRIL 27, 2019**



**ATTENTION ALL CITIZENS**

**JOIN US FOR THE CITY OF CONOVER**  
**LITTER SWEEP DAY**

**DATE: SATURDAY, APRIL 27**

**TIME: 9:00 A.M. – 12 NOON**

***Organize a volunteer group from your workplace, church, club, neighborhood, family or school and help remove litter from our community roadways!***

***The City will provide trash bags, safety vests, gloves, maps and a hot dog lunch will be served at the Conover City Park at 12 Noon. Supplies can be picked up after 8 a.m. at the Park and there will be prizes for most unusual pieces of litter found. For more information or to register, contact Joy Heller at (828) 695-2909.***



*The Corner Table Soup Kitchen's*

# Feed The Flock Gala

**Friday, May 31, 2019**

**74 South @ Moretz Mills**

**TICKETS GO ON SALE MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2019**

For information on donating towards the silent auction and wine wall, or becoming a sponsor, please visit [thecornertable.org](http://thecornertable.org)!

*Save The Date*