



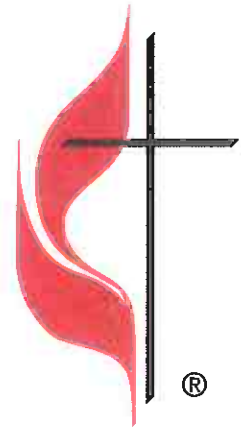
CONOVER  
FIRST UNITED  
METHODIST

*Our Mission:*

*Bring Them In...*

*Build Them Up...*

*Send Them Out!*



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

*May 7, 2019*

**LIBRARIES REMIND US THAT THERE ARE GOOD THINGS IN THIS WORLD**

Reading is about more than language skills and intellect or brain studies and achievement. It is about building relationships that span generations.

Our library includes a wide variety of materials that will teach all about the legacy of faith, the stories of courage as well as failure, tales of family joy and sorrow and the Lord's presence in them all.

Our Church Library is intended to minister to the needs of persons of all ages and supports the wide scope of the life and activity of the congregation. All church members and groups are encouraged to use the library as a resource center for their learning and program activity.

***Some of the Library's new arrivals include:***

Grace

Catch a Star

Altar Ego

I Am Malala

The Paradigm

The Rock, the Road and the Rabbi

The Ultimate Happy Ending

The Six Day Devotional (for teens)

Horses and Friends Series ( for middle school)

Sugar Creek Gang Series (for elementary school)

**Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds...Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up.**

***Deuteronomy 11: 18-19 (NIV)***

Library Committee

# \*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 an asterisk are non-members. The families for this week are:

John, Cynthia, Holly & Cameron Sherbert  
Glenna Sherrill  
Don & Vata Shook  
Jeff, Michelle, Ashley & Jacob Sierzenga  
Carl, Lori, Lauren & Megan Sigmon  
Powell & Virginia Sigmon

## SYMPATHY NOTE

Richard Granger Reese, age 90, of Hickory died April 23, 2019 at Carolina Caring. Richard was the brother of Mary Reese Rudisill. A funeral service was held on Friday, April 26, 2019 at 2pm at First Baptist Church in Hickory. A burial with military honors followed at Catawba Memorial Park. The family received friends from 1-2pm prior to the service.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Mary, Donna, Lisa and the family during this sad time.



## THANK YOU!

Church Members,

We would like to thank each of you for your continued support of The Corner Table. Because of your generous donation, we are able to further our mission- - feeding the hungry of our community.

We are grateful for all of you!

The Corner Table

## IN/OUT OF HOSPITAL

Betty Shell at Conover Rehab  
Kathy Martin at home

## MEMORIAL General Fund

In memory of Doris Safrit by:  
Betty Shell

## GOODTIMERS' - LUNCHEON!

**MAY 15TH @ 12PM  
in the CFLC**

This will be our annual salad luncheon. We will have ground beef, etc. for Taco Salad and chicken, etc. for tossed salad. If anyone wants to bring a "special" salad such as 3 Bean/Potato/Broccoli/Fruit or a dessert - that will be greatly appreciated. If you plan on bringing a dessert, please contact Eddie Warren at (828) 464-9643 and let him know.

Invite a friend to join you or someone who has been visiting our church.  
Thank you.



## **HOLY LAND TRIP September 2019**

If you are interested in the pilgrimage to the Holy Land September 23 – October 2, 2019, please call the church office at 464-4635 and ask for me, Pastor Gary. I have brochures and other information about the trip and would be happy to meet with you personally to share and answer any questions you have about the trip. The trip is open to anyone who desires to go.



# NEWS TO USE

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

<b>May 9</b>	8-11am - UMM - ECCCM (CFLC/Kitchen)
<b>May 9</b>	7pm - Scout Roundtable (CFLC)
<b>May 10</b>	6:30pm - Girl Scouts (CFLC)
<b>May 11</b>	5pm - Lindsay Keisler (CFLC 1-6pm)
<b>May 12</b>	Mother's Day
<b>May 15</b>	12pm - Goodtimers' Salad Luncheon (CFLC/Kit.)
<b>May 16</b>	6:30pm - UMM Meeting (CFLC/Kit. 2-9pm)
<b>May 18</b>	9:30am - 12pm UMW (Conf.room/Common Area)
<b>May 18</b>	9:00am - Set up of CFLC for Youth Sunday
<b>May 19</b>	9:30-10:15am Sunday school
<b>May 19</b>	10:30am - Youth Sunday (CFLC)
<b>May 19</b>	2:00pm - Debrief Meeting & VBS
<b>May 19</b>	5:45pm - Finance Com. Mtg. (Conf. room)
<b>May 19</b>	7:00pm - Church Council Mtg. (Clark class)

## PASTOR'S QUIZ



According to The Acts, Jesus appeared to the apostles, after His resurrection, for

- three days
- twenty days
- thirty-five days
- forty days

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

## THE CORNER TABLE -

### "FEED THE FLOCK"

FUMCC will be providing two items for the Corner Table "Feed the Flock" Silent Auction. "Ultimate Beach Wagon with Beach Chair and Umbrella" and "Gourmet Kitchen Basket". Items are being collected in the Crossroads Sunday School classroom. If you can bring Beach items (Yeti's, beach towels, sunscreen, bug spray, Beach toys, beach games, etc.) to help fill wagon or Kitchen items (spices, gourmet food items, kitchen utensils, kitchen towels & mitts, crackers, gourmet olives, etc.) to fill the basket, these donations would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Amy Hawn.



## STAFF OF FUMCC HONORED AT 64TH HOMECOMING

First UMC Conover recognized their staff at the 64th Anniversary of the church on Sunday, May 5th. Front row pictured from left to right are: Julie Robinson, Preschool Teacher; Jenene Nellenbach, Preschool Teacher; Robin Mays, Administrative Assistant; Middle row left to right are: Yvette Bumgarner, Preschool Teacher; Luisa Bryan, Custodian; Back row left to right: Rita Watson, Preschool Teacher; Wende Briggs, Preschool Teacher; Alex Wilson, Organist; Shannon Rogers, Pianist and Praise Team Director; and Jon Rogers, Music Director. Not pictured are Ginger Doub, Preschool Director; Debra Johnson, Preschool Teacher; Clydie Beal, Preschool Teacher; and Pilar Tobar, Nursery Director.

All the Staff wish to thank the SPRC Committee and the congregation for their gift to each of us and for your recognition.

The Senior Pastor & Associate Pastor will be recognized during the month of October (Pastor Appreciation Month).

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

By Our Presence May 5, 2019  
Sunday School  
N/A

Worship:  
10:00 am 230

### God's Tithe & Our Gifts

General Fund	\$ 16,834.50
<i>(Needed weekly for budget: \$12,180)</i>	
Boy Scouts (Spencer Brackett ESP)	125.00
Boy Scouts	250.00
Building Team ("Leap of Faith")	500.00
Capital Campaign (Shell Prop.)	670.00
Children's Bank	209.64
Girl Scouts	250.00
Local Missions	1,000.00
Miracle Moms' Ministry	1,025.00
UMCOR	25.00
VBS - Project "AGAPE" Shoeboxes	25.00
Worship Fund - Homecoming	100.00
Youth Fund	500.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 21,514.14</b>

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**GUESTS for Sunday, May 5, 2019**  
 Homecoming Sunday.

**ATTENTION GOODTIMERS AND ALL SENIORS OF THE CHURCH!**

Our next Crawdad's Baseball game outing will be Monday, May 13th. We will leave the church at 9:50am! Tickets will cost \$5 and this includes a Hot Dog/Chips/Water. Either sign up on the Crawdad's sheet on the Go-See-Do board or call Eddie Warren at (828) 464-9643!



**GO-SEE-DO!  
 EVERYBODY**



Stop by Valley Hills Mall to view art works from all of our City/ Catawba County Schools.

These drawings/paintings/etc. will be on display throughout the common area on both floors Monday, May 13th. You will be impressed!!

Answer to this week's Pastor's Quiz:  
*d. forty days (Acts 1:3)*

**By Our Service May 12, 2019**

**Usher Captains:**

8:45 AM Debbie & Erin Moritz  
 11:00 AM Adam, Melissa, & Mackenzie Johnson

**Greeters:**

8:45 AM Debbie Moritz  
 11:00 AM Sandy Baucom

**Acolyte:**

8:45 AM Samantha Hawn  
 11:00 AM Kaela Briggs

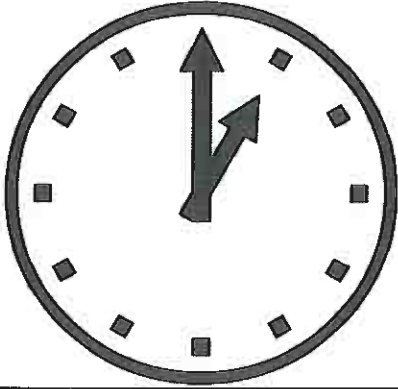
**Nursery Workers:**

8:45 AM Andrea Little  
 10:00 AM Kim Connor

Thank you Nursery Committee Coordinator for May, Angela Garrison.

**CHURCH STAFF**

Pastor	Dr. Gary Royals (pastor@fumcconover.org)
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Pianist	Shannon Rogers (srog101@gmail.com) (828) 244-6124
Organist	Alex Wilson (organistfumcconover@gmail.com) (803) 810-3396
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



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

**Youth Sunday  
May 19th at 10:30m**

Setup CFLC at 9am on 5/18

Report Times for 5/19: 8:30am—Dance, 9am—Drama,  
9:30am—Praise Team, 10am—all other youth

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

**Calendar Watch**

May

- 7 - Mission Trip Meeting
- 19 - Youth Sunday

June

- 2 - Graduate Sunday 11:00 am  
Youth/Parent 9-Square
- 9 - Confirmation Sunday
- 19- T-Shirt Team Meeting
- 23 - Summer Mission Trip Depart

July

- 8- Pool Party

August

- 9 - 11 SpiritUS

**Year-End Youth CookOut  
June 2nd @ 5pm**

Come join us for a cookout and some 9-Square to close out the year.

**SpiritUs—Aug 9-11**

Check Email for participation list. More details to come.

**Leap of Faith  
Summer Mission Trip**

Meeting: Tuesday, May 7 @ 6pm  
Faith Builders Classroom.

**Week of June 23**



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

# Fueling Faith



## THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HELPED WITH THE PRAYER WALK

I just wanted to take a moment and say thank you to all those that participated, from the smallest of details to the largest assembly process for our "Journey to Jerusalem" Prayer Walk. Charmaine had an idea, to do a prayer walk, I had a vision, and an amazing group of people said they would help, listed below. All of these folks put in many, many man ours over the three plus weeks it took to assemble the prayer walk. I have heard from so many of how this was so touching, moving and inspirational. It has been two weeks and we are still hearing from fellow church members and visitors who came as to how this changed Easter for them.

**Pete and Phyllis Robinson** (the Tomb was all theirs), the post where the punishment took place was found on one of their walks, and the structure to support all the fabric in the CFLC, and more. **Kaye Cloninger** (Art Dept.) she painted the buildings for the Via Dolorosa, and anything else that needed to be painted, along with help from Sharon Hendricks.

**Sharon Hendricks** (Fabric Dept.) spent a lot of time in the CFLC cutting hundreds of yards of fabric and hanging fabric.

**Judy Rayburn-Young** (Fabric Dept.) like Sharon, spent many an hour cutting hundreds of yards of fabric and hanging fabric.

**Jamie Zehmer**, helped where ever he was needed, he transformed the pre-school hall into the "Hell's Walkway, the Darkness After the Crucifixion". **Leeann Parris**, her organizational skills kept us (me) in line, she too helped throughout with whatever was needed, errands, printing..... **Michelle Moritz**, handled all of our safety cares and concerns, as well as helping Corey with Gethsemane and anything else needed. **Corey Keisler** organized the loaning of the plants for Gethsemane and helped set up the garden with Michelle. **Mark Pennell** (Make-up Dept.), he did the fantastic transformation of Corey into Christ.

**Addie Punch** and **MacKenzie Rogers** for the art in the Departure Lounge. **The Chancel Choir** (all 24 of us) for the recording of music. **Margaret Garrison**, for her Thursday night performance of the "Journey Hostess", played very well. **Dana Little**, for her Friday night performance of the "journey Hostess", she too played very well.

**Sandy Baucom**, for her tireless contributions as well as helping with the youth. **Danny Baucom**, being Sandy's assistant.

**Mary and Charles Hornick**, they organized the youth and worked the Hall both nights with the youth: **Addie Punch, Christine van Rooyen, Erin Moritz, Jarrett Rheeder, Kaela Briggs, Mack Little, MacKenzie Rogers, and Michael van Rooyen.**

**Rachel Hamilton**, organizing and handling our Childcare, assisted by **Chelsea Danner** and **Hernan** on Thursday and **Debbie Moritz** on Friday. **Pastor Gary Royals**, served Communion and saw and heard how people were touched. Saw their tears, felt their emotions, saw what Easter means to the children now.

A huge thank you to **Corey Keisler** for an extraordinary representation of "Our Crucified Christ" and **Mark Pennell** for doing the unbelievable job on his make-up. So many thought Corey was a mannequin, he was so motionless in his interpretation. Have been told by some that they could not look at him. We had a young girl, about eight, to kneel at his feet, place her clay palm print in the basket, look up and say "THANK YOU JESUS!" That is what the prayer walk was meant to invoke!

Thank you also to **John Van Rooyen, Shaun Kirsten** (Charmaine's Cousin), **Jon Rogers, Shannon Rogers, Kim Connor, Steve Danner, Gerald Loftin, Connie Henderson, Kaitlin Hornick, Jeanne Laws, Laci Matthews, Lee Moritz, Michele Moritz, Elbert Parris, Nick Joyner, Alice Woods, Melissa Punch, Laurette Rheeder, Susan Hunsucker, Toni Smith, Debra Byrd, Lindsay Keisler, Greta Induni, Matthew Hornick, Jeb Keisler, and McCoy Keisler.**

I feel certain I have missed someone, if so, I apologize. All are greatly appreciated.

**TO THE GLORY OF OUR RISEN SAVIOUR!**

*ANTHONY PRICE*

# May 2019

May 2019							June 2019						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Apr 28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>May 1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
			7pm Choir practice (C)	7am-7pm Nat'l Day of 7pm Hand & Foot car	7pm Domino's (Faithb) 8am-8pm Cubs-Pinew Van 2-IgniteUS-MH Yt	4pm-Set up / Homeco 8am-3pm Cubs-Pinew Van 2-IgniteUS-MH Yt
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MOTHER'S DAY	2pm Circle #2 (Confert) 6pm Cub Scouts (CFLC) 7-9pm Cub Leader Mtg 7pm Boy Scouts (CFLC) Van 2 - Goodtimers (B)	10:30-11:30am - Prave 3pm UpperRm BS (Cla) 6:30pm-Mission Mtg-	12pm Goodtimers Lun 7pm Choir practice (C)	6:30pm UMM Meeting 7pm Hand & Foot car	7pm Domino's (Faithb)	9:30am-UMW (Conf.R) Set-up for Yth Sunday
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>
00-YOUTH SUNDAY (d) 09:30-10:15 Sunday Sc 10:30am Youth Sunday 5:45pm Fin. Comm. M 7pm Church Council M	6pm Cub Scouts (CFLC) 7pm Boy Scouts (CFLC) 7pm Circle #5 (Conf. r)	10:30-11:30am - Prave 3pm UpperRm BS (Cla)	7pm Choir practice (C)	7pm Hand & Foot car	6:30pm Girl Scouts (CF) 7pm Domino's (Faithb)	1-3pm CFLC-Glenna/N
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Apr 28 - May 4

May 5 - 11

May 12 - 18

May 19 - 25

May 26 - Jun 1

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Alice Woods	2 Alice Woods	3 Andrea Little	4 Colt Briggs
5	6 Thomas Boston Judy Rayburn-Young Michelle Sierzenga	7 Eddie Warren	8 Laurette Rheeder Phyllis Watson Sybil Windsor	9 Eddie Warren	10 Brooke Connor	11 Thomas Boston Judy Rayburn-Young Michelle Sierzenga
12 Michael Moritz	13 Andrea Beatty Spencer Brackett Fred Fisher Jacob Fisher Dottie Harris Nell Johnson	14 Clyde Kistler Trenia Monk	15 Rachel Hamilton Lee Ann Paris	16	17 Susan Hunsucker Gary Royals	18 Lindsay Keisler Mike Matthews Charles Reed
19 Tammy Muller Charles Whitlock	20 Don Barbersek Charles Hornick	21 Denise Moose	22 Ginger Doub Jackie Lowdermilk Gerhardt Rheeder Ruthie Thornburg	23 Dave Markland	24 Jackie Cagle Kenneth Hollar Maverick Steelmon	25 Angela Garrison
26 Amy Hawn Randy Howard Mary Pinto	27 Dan Rockett	28	29 Scottie Hentschel Margie Sparkman	30	31 Jo Ellen Knecht	

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Patrick & Crystal Morrow	2	3	4
5	6 Jody & Michelle Brackett	7	8 Patrick & Crystal Morrow	9	10	11 Carl & Lori Sigmon
12 Tony & Margaret Garrison Doug & Samantha Rockett	13	14	15	16	17	18 Will & Sue James Jr. Pete & Phyllis Robinson Rick & Nancy Wall
19	20 Jeff & Michelle Sierzenga Troy & Suzanne Spencer	21	22 Wayne & Sybil Windsor	23 Charles & Mary Hornick	24	25
26 Charles & Carolyn Whitlock	27	28	29 Jonathan & Alyssa Myers Beaver & Marsha Williams	30	31	



# NEWEST MEMBERS OF FUMCC SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2019



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(Our new organist)

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