



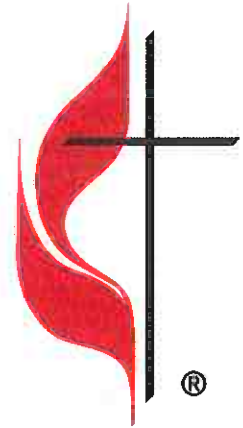
**CONOVER
FIRST UNITED
METHODIST**

Our Mission:

Bring Them In...

Build Them Up...

Send Them Out!



The Weekly Newsletter of First United Methodist Church, Conover

August 13, 2019

Fall Sermon Series

A TRACE OF GRACE

Sunday, September 8 through Sunday, November 24

We hear much about the grace of God.....we sing "Amazing Grace"....but do we really know what it is? Have we heard it so much that we have become inoculated to its effects? Is there something I have to do or prove in order to really experience it? How can I live victoriously in the reality of God's grace? We will look at these questions and seek to go deeper into the origin and meaning of grace that we might live our lives as God intended..... *lost in grace!!*

Sunday, September 8	"The Gods We Invent"	Ephesians 2
Sunday, September 15	"The Amazing Race"	John 3 & Hebrews 12
Sunday, September 22	"Grace from the Get-Go"	Genesis 3
Sunday, October 6	Holy Communion	
Sunday, October 13	"Grace for the Battle"	2 Chronicles & 1 Peter
Sunday, October 20	Marriage & Family	Rev. Ned Martin
Sunday, October 27	"Scandalous Grace"	Genesis 15
Sunday, November 3	Stewardship Emphasis Sunday	
Sunday, November 10	Stewardship Commitment Sunday	
Sunday, November 17	Youth Sunday	
Sunday, November 24	"Amazing Grace or Dys-Grace"	Matthew 18

Dr. Gary

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:

Linda Beck
Elaine Biles
Ray & Linda Birchfield
Doug & LaRue Black
Kalen Bolick
Billy, Beth & Chris Boston

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

Pauline Parker at Conover Nursing & Rehab
(Room 316);

Brenda Teague at Conover Nursing & Rehab
(Room 110)

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

Betty Shell at Autumn Care of Statesville
(Room 402)

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

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

Ashley Baucom at CVMC (At home)

Bob Goodson at CVMC (At home)

Trenia Monk at CVMC



MEMORIALS

General Fund

In memory of Ruth White by:
Caroline & David Simon & Family, &
Dolly Eliason
Keith & Tommie Ann Hall

MIRACLE MOMS' MINISTRY

Just a friendly reminder: last call for donations for this round of Miracle Mom bags is **September 1st**. These bags go to help the moms with babies in the NICU get through day to day life with the reminder that God has not left them or their baby and he is right there beside them. Below is a list of the number of items still needed to fill our 75 bags; Hand sanitizer (travel size)- 1; Lotion (travel size)- 39; Deodorant (travel size)- 45; Chapstick - 24; Hair bows/athletic headbands- 63 individual hair bows equaling to a total of 21 bags worth And we need 72 headbands; Nail files/polish- 38 Snacks-we have enough for each bag to have at least one snack but we welcome more for them to have at least 2; gum- 75 packs; candy- 5 bags; Gatorade/water- 75; Adult Coloring books/crosswords- 73; colored pencils- 75; Gift cards (Walmart, target, McDonald's, Wendy's)- none have been donated or purchased yet, this is the last thing purchased and only if there is enough left to split between all bags; DEVOTION BOOKS -75; Stuffed animals for their baby (must be small) -75; Fleece blankets (you can get them at Walmart usually, the ones rolled up already that way they fit in the bag) - 74



NEWS TO USE

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Aug. 15** 6:30pm UMM Meeting (CFLC/Kit.)
Aug. 16 8am-9pm PAUMCS Workshop (CFLC & Crossroads classroom)
Aug. 17 8am-3pm PAUMCS Workshop/Retreat (CFLC/Crossroads classroom)
Aug. 18 3-6pm Melissa Fisher (CFLC 1-7pm for a Birthday Party)
Aug. 21 8:30am Van 2 - Goodtimers' Trip to "Fields of Wood" in Murphy, NC
Aug. 21 6-8pm Girls' Volleyball (CFLC)
Aug. 22 6pm - UMM (Drums/PW CFLC/Kit.)
Aug. 25 STEP-UP SUNDAY
Aug. 27 6-8pm ALPHA Introductory Meeting (CFLC)
Aug. 28 6-8pm Girls' Volleyball (CFLC)
Aug. 29 6-7:30pm Preschool Open House (Common Area)



ATTENTION - GOODTIMERS

Our next trip is Wednesday, Aug. 21st. We will be going to see the (free) "Fields of Wood" park in Murphy, NC. The main attraction of this park is a mountain side that has the Ten Commandments written out in large wooden blocks! There are other sites to explore here also! You can learn more about this park by visiting their "Field of Wood" website. Even though this is a mountain park, we will be able to drive most of the higher elevation sites. They have a cafe there where we can have lunch! Their website says we can see everything in 1 1/2 to 2 hours. This will be a "long" ride, but we can enjoy the beauty of the Nantahala National Forest, Fontana Dam, and other sites along the way. I do plan to leave the church at 8:30am and depending on what all we do, which may include stopping for dinner on our way home, we would be back home around 7 PM (a new meaning to "A Day Trip")! There will be a sign up sheet on our Go-See-Do bulletin board (across from the Conference Room) and/or call Eddie Warren with questions at (828) 464-9643.

PASTOR'S QUIZ



"Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands," wrote Paul, and added,

- no widow should remarry
- except in the raising of children
- in return for exclusive possession of your husband
- let each husband love his wife as himself

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

THRIFT STORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT ECCCM

ECCCM is in desperate need of volunteers for our thrift store. We need people to run the register, to put new merchandise out, to organize and tidy up the store, etc.! If you would consider volunteering on a regular basis, whether daily, weekly, or monthly, please call Allen Sherrill at 828-465-1702 ext. 116, or go to our website's volunteer section at ecccm.org to learn more and fill out a volunteer form. Times are flexible and we will work with what is convenient for you! Thank you for considering serving!



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

By Our Presence August 11, 2019
 Sunday School
 155

Worship:	
8:45 am	154
11:00 am	134
Youth & Leaders	21
Livestreaming	12
Total	321

God's Tithe & Our Gifts

General Fund \$ 16,731.50
 (Needed weekly for budget: \$12,180)

Capital Campaign (Shell Prop.)	640.00
Children's Bank	9.26
Erin Moritz's Gold Award Project	125.00
Jacob Fisher Eagle Scout Project	100.00
Matthew Bolick Scholarship Fund	200.00
Total	\$ 17,805.76

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 Conover, NC 28613
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GUESTS for Sunday, August 11, 2019

Peyton Goins; Adam Barrows; Haley Beech;
 Christian Pampillonio; Kathy, Samantha &
 Christian Leonard; Charlsie Lutz; Richard &
 Guynell Sears; Priya & Keith Palmer; Jan & Dave
 Morrow; Mike, Jen & Even Isaac; Renee Justice;
 Linda Preston; Phyllis Brown; Beverly Stone;
 Scottie Corriher; John & Margie Furmage; Jack
 Sigmon; Adam, Erin, Landon, Harper & Deloney
 Clawson.

By Our Service August 18, 2019

Ushers:
 8:45 AM Chip Little
 11:00 AM Harold Thornburg

Greeters:
 8:45 AM Dana Little
 11:00 AM Cheryl Markland

Acolyte:
 8:45 AM Mack Little
 11:00 AM Tyler Johnson

Nursery Workers:
 8:45 AM Kim Thornburg
 11:00 AM Melissa Johnson

Thank you Nursery Committee Coordinator for
 August, Julie Patterson

PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER

The preschool is still 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 church. You may also call Ginger Doub @ 446-2560 and she can make a time to get the product to you on Sunday. This is a great time to get ready for summer snacking. All proceeds will go to the preschool program, an outreach of FUMC Conover.
 To God Be The Glory!

Ginger Doub,
 Preschool Director

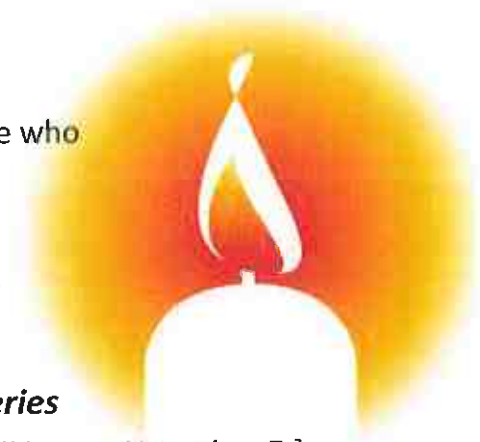


Answer to this week's Pastor's Quiz:
 d. let each husband love his wife as himself
 (Ephesians 5:22-25, 33)

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Dr. Gary Royals (pastor@fumconover.org)
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Pianist	Shannon Rogers (srog101@gmail.com) (828) 244-6124
Organist	Alex Wilson (organistfumconover@gmail.com) (803) 810-3396
Preschool Director	Ginger Doub (466-3158) (ps@fumconover.org)
Lead Nursery Worker	Pilar Tobar
Custodian	Luisa Toro Bryan (828) 464-4635
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Facsimile	www.fumconover.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



We are called as a church to share the Gospel. We all know someone who needs to hear the Gospel and accept Jesus; BUT it is often awkward and difficult to share our faith. On Tuesday **August 27th** you will have the opportunity to change lives. Commit to bring at least one person/couple to a video presentation in the Connor Family Life Center at 7pm.

Is There More to Life Than This? is the first session in the **Alpha Film Series** we will be hosting on Tuesdays from 7:00—8:30 pm. [The last session will be on November 5.]

2018 Leaders have called this “the best study I have ever done”, “**Jesus 101**”, “amazing how much you forget about becoming a Christian”, “**a wake-up call**” and much more.

Why Alpha? Alpha creates a space to explore the Christian faith in an environment that is pressure-free and respectful. Talks are designed to communicate the basics of Christian faith, so we don’t have to. Participants are invited to honestly share what they think and believe. You *Bring them in*. We will *Build them up* and *Send them out*. Alpha has been running globally for over 25 years. More than 1.3 million people attended Alpha last year in over 100 countries.

How do we Invite? The majority of guests attend Alpha because they were **personally invited** by someone they know. Commit to invite one person on your list of three.

Ways to invite. Share on social media. Share a postcard. Send a simple text. Ask in person.

Alpha Film Series: On Tuesdays, August 27—Nov 5, from 7 - 8:30pm

Come enjoy refreshments, amazing videos, honest conversations, spreading the Gospel and reconnecting with Christ.

Snr Adults VBS: Created and hosted specifically for this age group!!

Schedule:

Sunday, September 22 at 4pm “***It’s 4 O’clock Somewhere***” concert. [Even if you cannot commit to the weekday program come join us for this amazing concert in the CFLC.]

Monday through Wednesday (September 23—25). Please plan to attend all three sessions.

Registration and refreshments at 9:30am. Sessions 10am—noon. Stay for lunch.

👉 **Required group size** by presenter is 30 people. Invite all your friends; sign up a.s.a.p.

Have questions? Contact Charmaine

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



First United Methodist Church, Conover Youth Ministry 2018-2019

**Youth Kickoff / Cookout
August 25th at 5:00pm**

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

Come join us to kickoff the new youth year. Food, new t-shirts, calendars, information



Calendar Watch

August

- 18 - Youth Planning Meeting
- 25 - Youth Kickoff / Cookout

September

Youth Meetings begin!

November

Youth Sunday

Planning Meeting

August 18th at 3:00pm

Any adult interested in helping this youth year and any youth wanting to help plan, please come to the Gray House to meet.

T-Shirts

The NEW t-shirts have arrived. They will be given out at our kickoff.

The Table Beach Retreat

The Table beach retreat was truly a blessing.

Thanks to Alan & Melissa Fisher and Angela Garrison for chaperoning.



YOUTH GROUP



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)

PARADE OF CANS



**All Non-Perishable
Food Items Are
Welcome!**

Foods Most Needed:

Chicken Broth
Cream of Mushroom Soup
Cream of Chicken Soup
Mayonnaise
Stove Top Stuffing
Potted Meat
Vienna Sausage
Ranch Dressing
Orzo Pasta
Angel Hair Pasta
Fettuccine Pasta
Egg Noodles
Great Northern Beans Dry
Black-eyed Peas Dry
Pork n Beans
Black Beans
Applesauce
Tomato Sauce
Evaporated Milk
Vinegar
Salt & Pepper

Benefiting
The
Corner Table
SOUP KITCHEN

Food Drive

August 1-31st, 2019

Drop off anytime during the month of
August at The Corner Table Soup
Kitchen located at
122 N Main Street, Newton, NC 28658.
MONDAY-THURSDAY (9AM-4PM)
FRIDAY (9AM-1PM)

QUESTIONS?

828-464-0355

info@thecornertable.org

thecornertable.org



A competition will be held for
churches/businesses to collect
the most food! The winner will
be awarded the infamous
"Canned Trophy"!





PARADE OF CANS *food drive!*

What is Parade Of Cans?

Parade of Cans is a food drive hosted by The Corner Table Soup Kitchen during the month of August to collect non-perishable items during their busiest feeding season. During the summer months at The Corner Table guests increase and the donation of non-perishable items slow down. Parade of Cans is an opportunity to replenish our stockroom shelves and help us meet the needs of our hungry guests.

What are our biggest needs?

Chicken Broth | Cream of Mushroom Soup | Cream of Chicken Soup | Mayonnaise | Stove Top Stuffing | Potted Meat | Vienna Sausage | Ranch Dressing | Orzo Pasta | Angel Hair Pasta | Fettuccine Pasta | Egg Noodles | Great Northern Beans Dry | Black-eyed Peas Dry | Pome n Beans | Black Beans | Applesauce | Tomato Sauce | Evaporated Milk | Vinegar | Salt | Pepper

How can you help?

- Post a flyer in your business window or bulletin/community board.
- Promote Parade Of Cans through your individual/business Facebook page.
- Place an insert or information on Parade Of Cans in your church bulletin or company newsletter.
- Place a Parade Of Cans donation box in your church/business to collect items.
- Place a stack of Parade Of Cans info slips on your counters, desk, or checkout areas.
- Make an announcement regarding Parade Of Cans during your worship service or staff meetings.
- Send out an email regarding Parade Of Cans to your members or employees.
- Promote the Parade Of Cans campaign to your neighborhood, country club, or children's sports groups.

Where Can I Drop Off My Donation(s)?

Donations collected in support of The Corner Table guests can be dropped off at The Corner Table located on 122 North Main Street; Newton, NC 28658.

When Can I Drop Off My Donation(s)?

Anytime in August - Monday-Thursday (9AM-4PM), Friday (9AM-1PM); other hours as scheduled

Who Can I Contact With Questions?

Summer Jenkins, Executive Director: sjenkins@thecornertable.org | 828-464-0355