



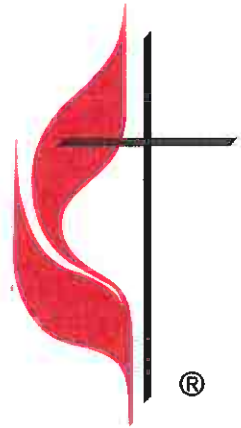
CONOVER  
FIRST UNITED  
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*Our Mission:*

*Bring Them In...*

*Build Them Up...*

*Send Them Out!*



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

*September 4, 2019*

### A WORD FROM OUR ORGANIST, ALEX WILSON

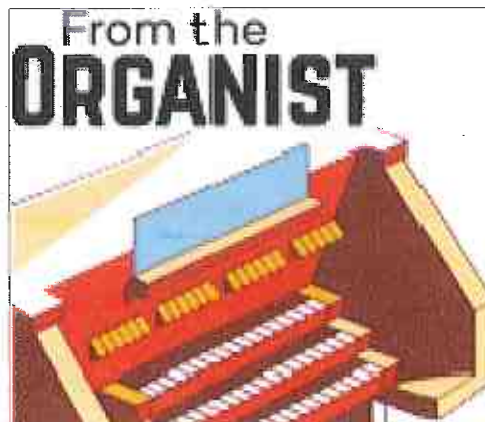
Dear FUMC,

First, I would like to say how grateful and blessed I feel to be a part of such a loving and supportive church family. I have only been here for a short time, but I have felt the love and support each and every Sunday, as well as during the week! I look forward to continually serving in the church as your organist.

I am on week two of classes at Lenoir-Rhyne, and I am learning so much. I am in two ensembles, the A-capella Choir, as well as the Chapel Choir. They are both two wonderful groups of singers. As a Sacred Music Major, I will be required to play for intermittent services throughout the year for Chapel. I am very excited for what the future holds, and I cannot wait to keep growing in my education. I have made a few friends as well, and they are some of the most wonderful people I have met.

Peace,

Alex



# \*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:

Debra & \*Kyle Byrd  
Jackie Cagle  
Allen Califana  
Buck & Anne Calloway  
Brittany Carver  
Michael & Laurie Cashion

## 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

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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

None

## THANK YOU

I appreciate all the cards and visits by Pastor Royals and Pastor Charmaine since my accident. I appreciate most especially all the prayers. I am coming along quite nicely.

Brenda Teague

## A CLEAN-UP DAY FOR THE STORAGE BUILDING

We have scheduled a clean-up day for the Storage Building in the Garage area for Saturday, September 14th. We plan to organize things in their proper place. All the groups that have materials in the storage building are asked to come out and organize their area. Times will be staggered so that everyone will not be in each other's way. The Chairpersons of each group are asked to please contact Harold Thornburg at (828) 312-1953 to schedule your time for clean-up.

Trustees

P.S. Missing or misplaced — a step stool from the kitchen area; if anyone knows where the stool is, please put back in the kitchen pantry. Thank you.

Roll Up Your  
Sleeves for

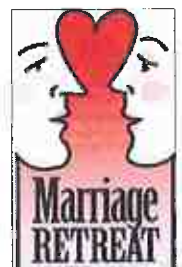


Cleaning  
Work Day

## **COMING THIS FALL TO FUMC A Marriage Enrichment Weekend!!**

**Friday, October 18 –  
Sunday, October 20**

Registration is required.  
Please register by  
**October 3rd** by calling  
the church office at  
**(828) 464-4635.**



# NEWS TO USE

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Sept. 5** 10am-2pm Crossroads (E. Conner)  
**Sept. 5** 7pm Scout Roundtable (CFLC)  
**Sept. 6** 12-4pm UMM-J.T. Russell (CFLC/Kit.)  
**Sept. 7** 9-11am - Circle #2 (Kitchen)  
**Sept. 8** 9:50am & 12:10pm Circle #2 Box Lunch "TO GO" (CFLC)  
**Sept. 8** Van 2 - Girl Scouts  
**Sept. 8** 2pm - SPRC Meeting (Conf. Rm)  
**Sept. 10** 6pm - UMM - Newton Seniors (CFLC/Kit.)  
**Sept. 10** 7-8:30pm ALPHA - Sanctuary  
**Sept. 11** 6pm-8pm Girls' Volleyball (CFLC)  
**Sept. 12** 11am-2pm Shamir Grier Luncheon (CFLC/Kitchen 8am-4pm)

## WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We welcome our new members, Richard & Guynell Sears who joined with our congregation on Sunday, September 1, 2019 at the 11am service. Their address is:

2451 Birdie Lane NE  
 Conover, NC 28613

Email addresses: rsnsc@hotmail.com & gwsnc1@hotmail.com  
 (828-405-2346-Richard) (828-612-6928-Guynell)

## SHAMIR GRIER



THURSDAY, SEPT. 12

11:00 AM-2:00 PM

In the  
 Connor Family  
 Life Center

## PASTOR'S QUIZ



"Let your speech be always with grace," wrote Paul to the Colossians, "seasoned with

- spice"
- sweetness"
- wisdom"
- salt"

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

## CIRCLE 2 BOX LUNCH "TO GO" FUNDRAISER September 8, 2019

All funds raised will go to local missions. The Box Lunch "To Go" will include your choice of Chicken Salad or Ham and Cheese sandwich on a croissant roll, potato chips and dessert for **\$8.00**. **An order form is located as an insert in this Newsletter.** You may pick up an order form from a basket in the Narthex or you may call in your order to Rita Watson at 828-465-0366 or Vata Shook at 828-256-2490 (If no answer, please leave a message with your order information.)

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## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

By Our Presence September 1, 2019  
 Sunday School  
 161

Worship:	
8:45 am	137
11:00 am	159
Livestreaming	17
Total	313

### God's Tithe & Our Gifts

General Fund	\$ 15,550.50
<i>(Needed weekly for budget: \$12,180)</i>	
Capital Campaign (Shell Prop.)	800.00
Children's Bank	283.70
Erin Moritz's Gold Award Project	50.00
Miracle Moms' Ministry	125.00
Total	\$ 16,809.20

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**GUESTS for Sunday, September 1, 2019**

Karen Anderson; Kathleen Blum; Christine Harris;  
 Amber Legoullon; Scottie Corriher;  
 Mack Hunsucker; Emily, Finley & Emilia  
 Abernathy; Adam, Erin, Landon, Harper & Delaney  
 Clawson; Cheryl Gragg; Jack Sigmon; H.A. & Jean  
 Slate; Gary & Sharon Keuper; Malinda Kennedy;  
 Phyllis Brown; Ashlee Collins.

**ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND**

**When:** Saturday September 21<sup>st</sup> from 10-12 am.

**Where:** Christ Church. The church is located  
 at 2416 Zion Church Road, Hickory, NC in the  
 Mountain View community.

**What:** This is an informal meeting with  
 representatives from the Wesley Covenant  
 Association who support the more Orthodox  
 (conservative) viewpoint of the United  
 Methodist Church. The program is entitled  
 "The Future of the UMC". This group of clergy  
 and pastors love the United Methodist Church  
 and want to see us continue upon our historical  
 and biblical foundation. They have organized  
 because of the uncertainty of the future of  
 the United Methodist Church over fundamental  
 issues we, as a church, face.

Thanks,  
 Mark Deal

**THANK YOU FROM  
 THE GIDEONS INTERNATIONAL**

On behalf of the Catawba East camp of The  
 Gideons International, we wish to thank you for  
 your donations of \$1,354.00. These funds will be  
 used in their entirety to provide approximately  
 1,084 Testaments in the traffic lanes of life. Please  
 continue to be in prayer for our ministry. We pray  
 that you will continue to enjoy God's abundant  
 blessings for yourself, your families, and your  
 ministries in the days ahead.

Don Childers  
 Catawba East Camp

**By Our Service September 8, 2019**

**Ushers:**

8:45 AM Pierre Rheeder  
 11:00 AM Bob Goodson

**Greeters:**

8:45 AM Laurette Rheeder  
 11:00 AM Lois Goodson

**Acolyte:**

8:45 AM Drew Fisher  
 11:00 AM Addison Punch

**Nursery Workers:**

8:45 AM Michele Moritz  
 11:00 AM Beverly Swithenbank

Thank you Nursery Committee Coordinator for  
 September, Melissa Johnson.

**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
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

Answer to this week's Pastor's Quiz:  
 d. salt"  
 (Colossians 4:6)





# First United Methodist Church, Conover Youth Ministry 2019-2020

Isaiah  
64:8

## Youth Meeting & Ministry Teams Sunday, September 8th

Our first youth meeting for the 19/20 year is this Sunday, 9/8 @ 5pm. Please bring a white t-shirt. We will look at our verse for this year, Isaiah 64:8

### Ministry Teams:

- \* Praise Team - 3:30pm (meet in sanctuary)
- \* Dance Team - 4:15pm (meet in CFLC)
- \* Drama Team - 6:15pm (meet in gray house)

## Calendar Watch

### September

8 - Youth Meetings & Ministry Teams

22 - Youth Meetings & Ministry Teams

### October

6 - Youth Meetings & Ministry Teams

12 - Murder Mystery Dining Room help

20 - Youth Meeting & Ministry Teams

## High School Winter Retreat

It is time to plan this year's high school retreat. Please see email with several options / dates / locations.



## Youth Sunday

Fall Youth Sunday will be November 17



# YOUTH GROUP



Join the youth Facebook group, FUMCC Youth. Lots of pictures and information.



For more information about the Youth Ministry at Conover First United Methodist Church, please contact

Charles Hornick (828-381-7231 / charles\_h71@charter.net)

Mary Hornick (828-381-7233 / maryhornick1974@gmail.com)

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**Time:** Can be picked up after each Sunday Service

**How:** Please fill out the form below

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Chicken Salad \$8 each \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Ham and Cheese \$8 each \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Order \$ \_\_\_\_\_