



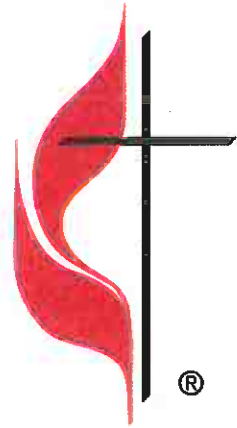
CONOVER
FIRST UNITED
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Our Mission:

Bring Them In...

Build Them Up...

Send Them Out!



The Weekly Newsletter of First United Methodist Church, Conover

September 10, 2019

A WORD: ABOUT TALKING TO GOD

Have you felt the peace of having a heart-to-heart with God? Have you experienced the relief and release of anxiety or anger after you 'complained' to God? Have you felt the gift of love as someone else prays for YOU? Have you ever felt the burden of empathy lifted because you carried someone or something to God in prayer?

At the beginning of the new school year we have all shopped from the lists to make sure our children are well equipped to be successful. We (try to!) get them to bed so that they may be well-rested; we make sure we provide healthy foods to nourish them. As adults we understand that our well-being, physical and mental, is dependent on our ability to plan or make a plan. We take time to prepare our children to be successful in life. We make sure they are rested, nourished and healthy so that they can grow and become productive members of society. The same is true for our spiritual growth. What is your plan with regards to prayer for yourself, your household, your place of work?

There are many patterns of prayer, many written prayers and these are all helpful instruments as you work on your prayer-comfort. I encourage you to keep talking to Jesus, He is the best confidant, greatest listener, and a wonderful leader if we just pay attention. He is so very understanding to our human natures, our hurts and He definitely wants to hear about our joys too!

First Steps

1. Commit to daily prayer.
2. Select a quiet place where you can focus on your prayers.
3. Free your mind of things that you cannot change in that moment. It is important!
4. TALK to God. Share with Him, tell Him, ask Him.
 - (a) Silent prayers are just as strong as spoken ones, but there is something to be said for hearing a voice when we talk to God.
 - (b) Children that hear their parents pray will be more inclined to develop this habit too.
5. Remember to be silent for a while after you pray to allow your senses the opportunity to sense God and the Holy Spirit within you.

Jesus knew prayer is important and he conveyed that to His disciples. Paul's instruction in Colossians 4:2 is very clear. *Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with thanksgiving.* This is a very important instruction to each of us; not just because Paul understood the power of prayer, but because prayer is one of the ways we deepen and strengthen our intimate relationship with Jesus.

Friends, prayer is a very important and special Spiritual Discipline to me. I want EVERYONE to experience a deep joy when they are talking and listening to God. Reach out for guidance or resources. Stop by and pray with me, my door is open!

In prayer, always
Charmaine

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:

Sidney Cashion
Dawson & Devon Chambers
Bob, Cathy & Ellie Choppa
Jimmy, Cindy, Bradley & Eric Clark
Michael Clark
Sadie Clark

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

Lynn Watson at CVMC (At home)

MEMORIAL General Fund

In memory of Ruth White by:
Lee & Martha White Johnson

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. 12** 11am-2pm Shamir Grier Luncheon (CFLC/Kitchen 8am-4pm)
Sept. 12 7pm - Lay Leadership Comm. Mtg. (Crossroads classroom)
Sept. 13 6:30pm - Girl Scouts (CFLC)
Sept. 14 8am - 12pm Clean-up Day of Storage Building
Sept. 14 2-4pm - Bridal Shower (CFLC 1-5pm)
Sept. 15 1-3pm - Wedding Shower (CFLC 12-4pm)
Sept. 15 5:45pm - Finance Comm. Mtg.(Cf.room)
Sept. 15 7:00pm - Ch.Council Mtg. (Clark class)



SHAMIR GRIER
Scholarship Fundraiser
THURSDAY, SEPT. 12
11:00 AM-2:00 PM

Connor Family Life Center
Cost is \$10



GOODTIMERS

We will have lunch on **Wednesday, Sept. 18th in the CFLC at 12 Noon.**

This will be a covered dish luncheon. A couple of meats will be provided, so please bring your favorite sides and/or dessert! Katie Goforth will provide us with some updated information on changes in Federal Tax Laws on IRA's concerning seniors! Any questions, please contact Eddie Warren at (828) 464-9643.

SAFE HARBOR CLASSIC 5TH ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT

OCT. 10, 2019 AT
THE CATAWBA COUNTRY CLUB
1PM SHOTGUN START
11AM REGISTRATION & LUNCH
Prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd Ball Drop -
Someone will win \$1,000.
Contact Jackie McKool at (828) 326-7233 or via
email at Jackie@safeharbornc.org.
Single player - \$100
Foursome - \$400

PASTOR'S QUIZ



If any one refuses to work, wrote Paul, he should

- not eat
- nevertheless eat
- be forced to work
- be exiled

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



THANK YOU

The middle school Girl Scouts have been working on their Silver Projects. They made 30 no-sew blankets and had them embroidered with Jeremiah 29:11. We had a prayer service over the blankets before we took them to the Ronald McDonald House in Winston Salem on Sunday afternoon. These blankets will be given to families to cuddle their babies/children when they are in the hospital. Families will get to take these blankets home with them. Thank you so much for supporting our Scout program.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

By Our Presence September 8, 2019
 Sunday School
 161

Worship:	
8:45 am	160
11:00 am	163
Livestreaming	14
Total	337

God's Tithe & Our Gifts

General Fund	\$ 11,087.50
<i>(Needed weekly for budget: \$12,180)</i>	
Capital Campaign (Shell Prop.)	415.00
Children's Bank	29.75
Preschool Fund	2,000.00
Total	\$ 13,532.25

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GUESTS for Sunday, September 8, 2019

Jim & Ellen Maddox; Jean Auton; Kent Auton;
 Bryan, Donna & Jessie Ross; Haley Beech; John &
 Margie Fumage; Scottie Corriher; Mandy, Caroline
 & Adeline Shelton; Crystal, Karma & Kamille
 Bryson; Mark, Crystal & Leah Norton; Rector
 Stamey; Mr. & Mrs. David Morrow; Majorie Setzer;
 Hank Beck; Don Lingerfelt; Becky Cloninger;
 Kim Hicks; Bill Yancy; Stephen & James Mauney;
 Hanna Krebel; Charles & Lynne Mauney; Tricia
 Saulnier Littlejohn; Jack Sigmon; Saul Pavlinsky,
 Jr.; Adam, Erin, Landon, Harper & Delaney
 Clawson; Cheryl Gragg; Marion & Sharon Sims;
 H.A. & Jean Slate.

ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

When: Saturday September 21st 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

Answer to this week's Pastor's Quiz:

a. not eat
 (2 Thessalonians 3:10)

By Our Service September 15, 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 Samantha Hawn
 11:00 AM Mackenzie Johnson

Nursery Workers:

8:45 AM Lindsay Keisler
 11:00 AM Kim Hentschel

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



First United Methodist Church, Conover Youth Ministry 2019-2020

Isaiah
64:8

Youth Meeting & Ministry Teams Sunday, September 22nd

Our next youth meeting is Sunday, 9/22.

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

22 - Youth Meetings & Ministry Teams

October

6 - Youth Meetings & Ministry Teams

12 - Murder Mystery Dining Room help

20 - Youth Meeting & Ministry Teams

26 - Harvest Festival

High School Winter Retreat

The high school youth are excited to go back to Ridgehaven. There are 2 dates; January 17-20 and February 14-17. be watching email.



Youth Sunday

Fall Youth Sunday will be November 17



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)

The Faith of Fifty Years

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the
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Eastern Catawba Cooperative Christian Ministry, Inc

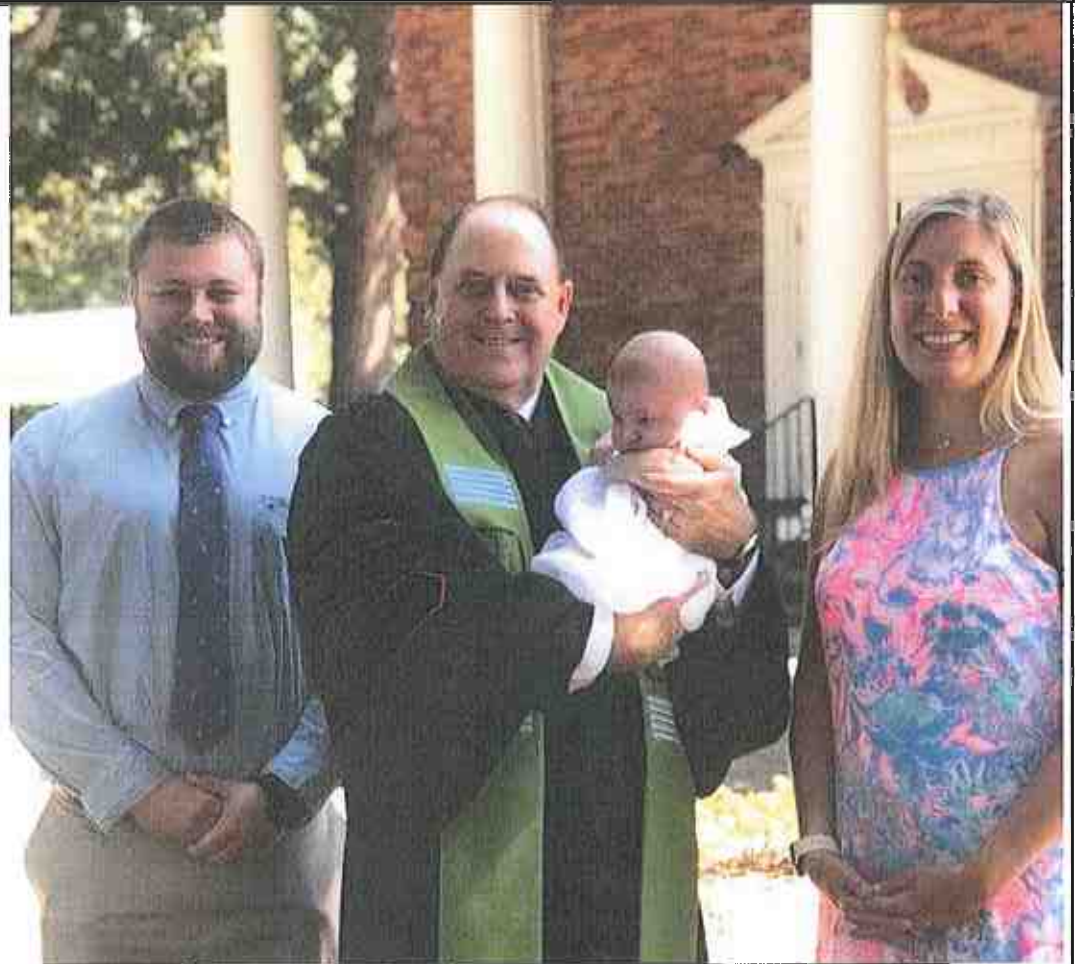
Please join us as we celebrate 50 years of service to the community with cake cutting, agency tours, and much more.

Saturday, October 12, 2019
2-4pm

ECCCM
245 East N Street, Newton

For more information: www.ecccm.org

NEWEST BAPTIZED MEMBER OF FUMCC SUNDAY, SEPT. 8, 2019



Pictured from left to right:
Jolie's father, Alex Baucom, Dr. Gary Royals,
Jolie Alexandra Baucom and
Jolie's mother, Hiley Davis Baucom

Alex, Hiley & Jolie Alexandra Baucom
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