



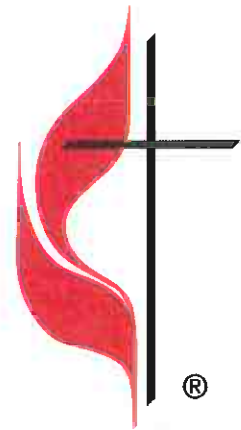
CONOVER
FIRST UNITED
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Our Mission:

Bring Them In...

Build Them Up...

Send Them Out!



The Weekly Newsletter of First United Methodist Church, Conover

September 17, 2019



Left to right Back row(4 yr class) Izzy Robinson, Sadie Abernathy, Abby Hernandez, Reagan Robinson, Ellie Heck, Harper Brackett, Lacey Bolus, Eli Matson, Bryson Cox and Michael Chavez. Not pictured; Ada Rhyne, Dakota Linebarger. Front row(3 yr class) Coby Tekieniewski, Delany Matson, Luna McClure, Wyatt Rockett. Not pictured: James Davis, Daniel Flowers.

STARTING A NEW YEAR 2019-2010

September has arrived quickly and so have our preschool children! With this new preschool year under way we have a total of 29 children enrolled in our program. Of course, the first two weeks can be crazy with new families and children along with our returning families, but we managed to persevere. We sadly said a good-bye to "Miss Wende" Briggs from our Infant and Two Year class as she returned to the nursing field after 7 years with FUMCC Preschool. We will miss her!

We are looking forward to an exciting and busy preschool year with STRETCH N GROW, HICKORY ART MUSEUM, CATAWBA SCIENCE CENTER, and THE MUSICAL STORYTELLER, all returning to bring outside resources to our children. We also look forward to trips the Conover Adult Life Center for "trick or treat" and Annual Egg Hunt during the Easter Season. Of course, you do not want to miss our exciting Christmas Presentation every year before we break for the Christmas holiday. So much happening in the next 9 months!!

We are a blessed group with our families, children and staff. None of this would be possible without you, our Church Family. You help keep us going with your assistance, donations and prayer support. Thank you, Church, for your dedication to this program as we push to present God's Grace to our community beginning with the children that Jesus so loves.

Blessings to all,
Ginger Doub, Preschool Director

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:

Nancy Clarke
Bruce & Michelle Cloninger
Finley & Carole Cloninger
Kaye Cloninger
Tyler, Elizabeth, Maddox & Madilyn Conner
Eric, Kim, Brooke & Michael Connor

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
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

Trenia Monk at CVMC (At home)

MEMORIALS

General Fund

In memory of Sadie Clark by:
Mrs. Debbie Saine
Camelia & Don Rudisill
Jean Childs
Rick & Linda Parker
Angela Abernathy



Local Missions Fund

In memory of Sadie Clark by:
Bob & Lois Goodson

A NOTE OF SYMPATHY

Sadie Isabella Clark, age 95 and mother of Susan Hunsucker, died Friday, September 6, 2019. A Celebration of Life Service was held Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at First UMC Conover with Rev. Gary Royals officiating. Burial followed at the Conover City Cemetery. The family received friends at the church prior to the service.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Susan, Mack and the family during this sad time.



THANK YOU

Dear FUMCC Members & Friends,

Thank you all so very much for your prayers, cards, the beautiful prayer shawl you sent to me and to Charmaine for her visit and pre-op prayer during my recent hip surgery. Thank you also to Pastor Gary for checking in on me post-op. I am doing well and hope to be "up" again soon!

With much love and appreciation!
Susan Tucker



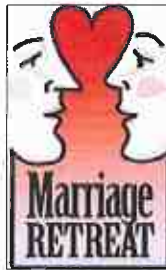
NEWS TO USE

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Sept. 19** 6:30pm - UMM Meeting (CFLC/Kit.)
Sept. 21 9:30am - UMW - Conf. room/Common Area
Sept. 21 6:00pm - UMM - Rising Hope Farms (CFLC/Kitchen)
Sept. 22 3-8pm - Youth Min. Tms/Mtgs (Sanc., GH., CFLC)
Sept. 22 4pm - Ed Kilbourne-Concert Adult VBS (CFLC)
Sept. 23 10am-12pm Sr. Adult VBS (Sanctuary)
Sept. 24 10am-12pm Sr. Adult VBS (Sanctuary)
Sept. 24 7-8:30pm ALPHA Film Series (CFLC)
Sept. 25 10am-12pm Sr. Adult VBS (Sanctuary)
Sept. 25 6-8pm Girls' Volleyball (CFLC)
Sept. 27 6:30pm Girl Scouts (CFLC)

COMING THIS FALL TO FUMCC
A Marriage Enrichment
Weekend at First UMC Conover!!!
Friday, October 18 –
Sunday, October 20

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



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



In his first letter to Timothy, Paul's attitude toward the compilation of long genealogies was one of

- enthusiasm
- approbation
- indifference
- scorn

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



FIFTH SUNDAY SPECIAL OFFERING

Our brothers and sisters in the Bahamas need our prayers and our help. United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is asking for donations to assist in this area. On September 29 our 5th Sunday offering will be received for UMCOR, International Disaster Response Advance #982450. Please make checks payable to First United Methodist Church Conover and in the memo section write "UMCOR Adv#982450". Ushers will receive at the end of each service.

Thank you,
 Lois Goodson, Missions

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

By Our Presence September 15, 2019
 Sunday School
 114

Worship:	
8:45 am	153
11:00 am	118
Livestreaming	15
Total	286

God's Tithe & Our Gifts

General Fund \$ 8,682.50
 (Needed weekly for budget: \$12,180)

Capital Campaign (Shell Prop.)	95.00
Children's Bank	27.01
Local Missions	30.00
Total	\$ 8,834.51

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GUESTS for Sunday, September 15, 2019

Jim & Ellen Maddox; Alexandra Rockett; Carrie & Amelia Lindsay; Sherry Williams; Sharon Benfield; Gary & Sharon Keuper; Nancy Novotny; Amber Legoullon; John & Margie Furnage; David & Renee Thomas; Emmett & Jane Wike; Charlie, Wanda & Gage Tucker; Jack Sigmon; Jean Childs.

By Our Service September 22, 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 Matthew Hornick
 11:00 AM Christine Van Rooyen

Nursery Workers:

8:45 AM
 11:00 AM Kim Connor

Thank you Nursery Committee Coordinator for September, Melissa Johnson.

"THE FUTURE OF THE UMC"

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

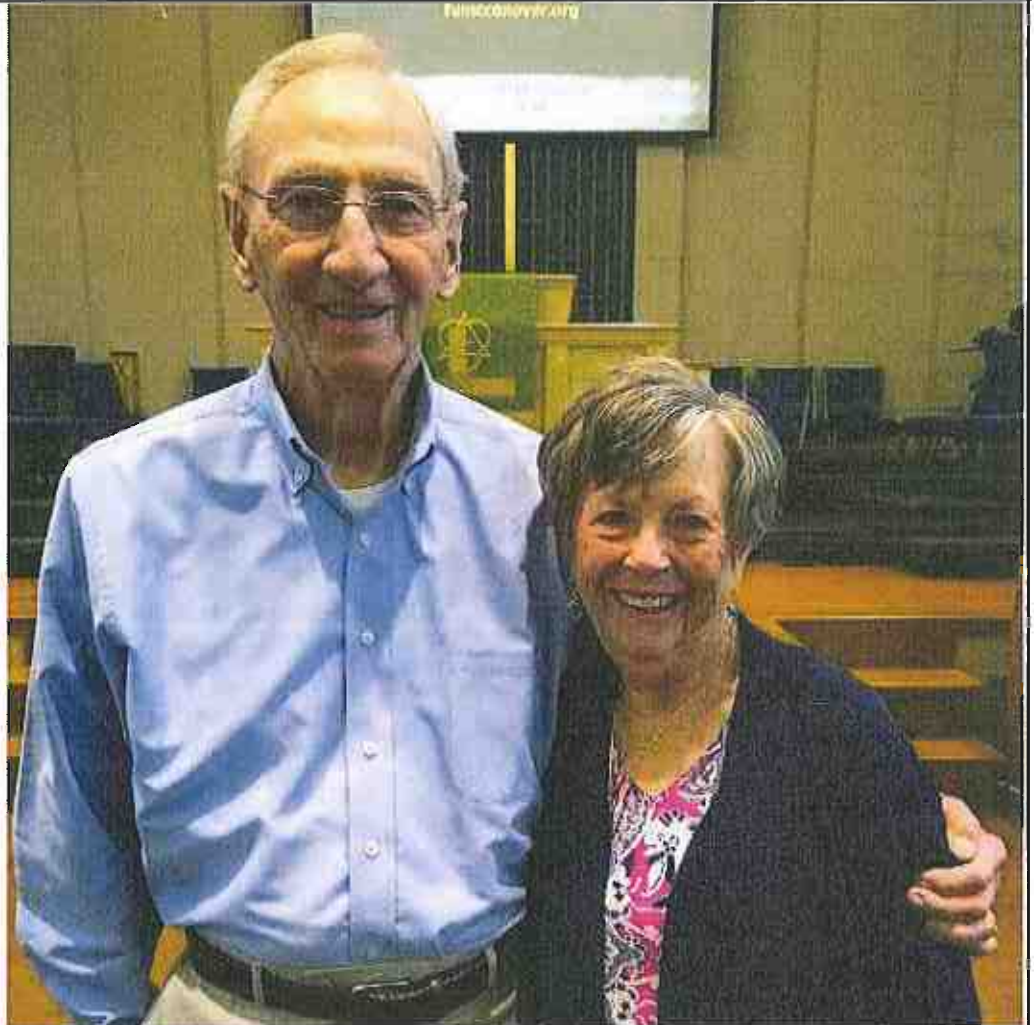
CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Dr. Gary Royals (pastor@fumconover.org)
Assistant Pastor of Faith Dev.	Charmaine Van Rooyen (apfd@fumconover.org)
Administrative Assistant	Robin Mays (fumcc@fumconover.org)
Music Director	Jonathan Rogers (jsrogers99@gmail.com) (828) 244-7019
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
Church Office	(828) 464-3423
Facsimile	
Website:	www.fumconover.org
Pastor's phone numbers	(828) 464-4635-church (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. scorn
 (1 Timothy 1:3-4)

NEWEST MEMBERS OF FUMCC SUNDAY, SEPT. 15, 2019



H.A. & Jean Slate
1662 Shady Grove Court
Newton, NC 28658

(980) 858-4062
Email address: fishingpa.ha@gmail.com



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



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)

The Faith of Fifty Years



September 5, 2019

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Dear Pastor & Congregation,

As a supportive church of ECCCM, you are cordially invited to ECCCM's 50th Anniversary Celebration on Saturday, October 12, 2019, 2:00 pm at the ECCCM Ministry Center located at 245 East N Street, Newton NC 28658.

Founded in 1969, Eastern Catawba Cooperative Christian Ministry, Inc. (ECCCM) has provided crisis assistance in Eastern Catawba County to residents in need, providing a hand up, not a hand out. Throughout these fifty years, our local churches, individuals, businesses and local governments have supported the operations of ECCCM, enabling necessary crisis services to the community without interruption.

From the day of its founding, volunteers, local churches, individuals and business were paramount in the emerging and growing structure of ECCCM's services and ministry in the community. This was part and parcel of the founding vision of Rev. Banks Shepherd and those working hand in hand with him. Clearly, fifty years later, ECCCM and the community it serves, owes a debt of gratitude to the Rev. Banks Shepherd family, the Doris Fish family, and those who have been significant stakeholders over the years. Without these many committed persons, ECCCM would not be well positioned to continue the vision of 1969.

At this momentous celebration, well-deserved awards and proclamations will be presented to those, or their families, who labored tirelessly to found ECCCM and help it advance through these years. Acknowledgements will go to County and City leaders; Vendors who support ECCCM operations; Agencies that collaborate with ECCCM; Past stakeholders, Board of Directors members and staff members. Refreshments and an Open House will follow.

Please mark your calendar now and kindly RSVP your attendance by October 3, 2019 to Jo Ann Sherrill, Administrative Assistant, at (828) 465-1702 or email via j.sherrill@ecccm.org.

We look forward to seeing you on October 12.

Rev. Robert C. Silber
Executive Director

Dayne Miller
Board President



October 2019

October 2019							November 2019						
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Sep 29 - Oct 5

Oct 6 - 12

Oct 13 - 19

Oct 20 - 26

Oct 27 - Nov 2

Birthdays

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Larissa Vigue	2	3 Ralph Hatch	4	5 Bob Goodson Kathy Rockett Rick Wall
6	7 Mary Rudisill	8 Tony Taylor	9 Kaye Cloninger Gaye Hoke Evan Punch	10	11 Betsy Stoker	12 Adella Tucker
13	14 Virginia Thornburg	15 Ray Elkin	16	17	18 M.G. Doub Nickolas Joynor Julie Miller Guynell Sears	19
20 Nova Vigue	21 Doug Black Ellie Choppa Mackenzie Rogers	22 Tyler Conner Jeff Thornburg	23 Bart Lowdermilk	24 Crystal Morrow	25 Alex Baucum LaRue Black Matthew Hefner	26
27	28 Tut Johnston Jon Rogers John Walker	29 Tanner Rockett	30 Margaret Allen Dawson Chambers Levi Hefner Rita Watson	31		

Wedding Anniversaries

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 William & Brenda Novotny	2	3 Ralph & Patricia Hatch Tony & Jenene Neilenbach Kent & Annette Walker	4	5
6	7	8 Gray & Ginger Doub	9 Scott & Kelle Love	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18 Kenneth & Dianne Hollar Charles & Lucy Rockett	19 Michael & Addie Copeland
20	21	22 Tyler & Elizabeth Conner	23 Corey & Lindsay Keisler	24	25	26 Doug & LaRue Black
27	28 Kenneth & Martha Johnson Chip & Dana Little Mike & Jeanette Stewart	29	30 Bart & Jackie Lowdermilk	31		