



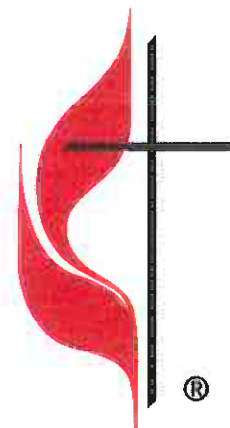
CONOVER  
FIRST UNITED  
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***Our Mission:***

***Bring Them In...***

***Build Them Up...***

***Send Them Out!***



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

*October 29, 2019*

## **Harvest Festival for Jesus**

**2019**

Our community, almost 1,000 of them, felt the love of Jesus this past Saturday. A heartfelt THANK YOU to every single person that contributed to this event.

I wish you could have seen the energy during the preparations on Saturday morning. People of all ages were joyfully carrying, delivering, hanging, hammering, arranging and off course the UMM that surprised all the volunteers with a lovely lunch.

The energy only increased as our games were being set up and candy brought out. The joy on the little faces as they went from booth to booth and collected little toys and candy. The bouncy houses were a hit too. Many kids cried because their parents wanted to leave. I count that as a win. Our guests were so appreciative of our hospitality.

From our little welcome table to the end of the yard at the Hay Ride you could feel the joy, happiness and love. Several of you have shared inspirational stories of how our little festival has touched and blessed others. My heart was so full of joy as I left wet from the rain and hurting feet. We are indeed a blessed church. "Thank you" is simply not enough to express my love for you all. From our in-house visionary, Anthony Price, to the fearless group he led, to every person that contributed in whatever way, you were all 'Jesus' to at least one person that set foot on our humble property. May God continue to bless you all.

That being said, I want to extend an invitation to everyone to provide me with feedback, good and bad, about the Festival. What worked, what could be improved on, etc. I know that we will have hundreds of guests that will return in 2020.

Thankful for my church family,

Pastor 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:

Shirley (Boots) Elliott  
Jonathan Farthing  
Matthew & Jennifer Fiorucci  
Alan, Melissa, Jacob & Drew Fisher  
Fred & Betty Fisher  
Sherri Frazier

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

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

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  
(Living with her daughter)  
9932 Hanover Hollow Drive  
Charlotte, NC 28210

Fred Fisher at Clinic of Abernethy Laurels  
(Room 231) 102 Leonard Avenue, Newton, NC 28658

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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

None

## PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY MEETING Tuesday, November 5th at 1:00pm

(IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM)  
If you like to knit or crochet,  
COME JOIN US!!!



Please remember your birthdays and anniversaries this Sunday by bringing your offering to the altar. Please give \$.10 for every year old and \$.25 for every year married. This is to help the children's church bank.

## WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

SUNDAY, NOV. 3rd

2:00PM

(CROSSROADS CLASSROOM)

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Linda Beck  
3500 Mull Creek Lane  
Claremont, NC 28610

# NEWS TO USE

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Nov. 1** 6pm Thornburg/Icard Wedding Rehearsal/  
Rehearsal Dinner (CFLC/Kitchen)
- Nov. 2** 2pm - Thornburg/Icard Wedding (Sanctuary)  
3pm - Thornburg Reception in CFLC
- Nov. 3** 10am-Van - Michele Moritz's SS class
- Nov. 3** 2pm - Worship Committee Mtg. (Crossroads)
- Nov. 3** 3-8pm - Youth Min. Teams (Sanc/GH/CFLC)
- Nov. 3** 5-6:30pm - Youth-in-Training (Gray House)
- Nov. 5** 7-8:30pm Final ALPHA class (Sanctuary)
- Nov. 7** 6pm - UMM - Drums/Pathways (CFLC/Kit.)

## PASTOR'S QUIZ



Of the four letters addressed by Paul to particular persons, that to Philemon is the

- longest
- shortest
- next to the longest
- next to the shortest

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

## GREETINGS FUMCI!



Do you play an instrument that is normally not used in worship? Do you want to be a part of a fun group of musicians? Do you enjoy performance? If you answered yes to either of those questions, it is my pleasure to invite any instrument-alist to join a new ministry, the orchestral! Parts that are needed are listed at the bottom of this article. Please consider joining us for the Advent Season, as well as other times of the year! Rehearsal times will be on Sundays, at 4:30 p.m, in the Sanctuary. Rehearsals will not run any longer than one hour, and they will be fun! New to any of these instruments? No problem! This is a place to learn as well. If you are interested in serving in this new ministry, I encourage you to sign up, or text me at my phone number (listed in the newsletter, as well as my email). If you have friends who play, they are also invited to join! The music that would be performed is rather simple, and wouldn't require much preparation or practice time during the week. I am looking forward to working with a wonderful group of performers and talented musicians! Please let me know if you have any questions. An interest meeting will be held this Sunday, after the 11:00 worship service in the front of the Sanctuary.

Yours in Ministry,  
Alex

**NEEDED PARTS (Please provide your own instruments)**

Trumpets Trombones Tuba French Horns  
Flutes Clarinets Oboe  
Percussion (Triangle, Sleigh Bells, Snare Drum)

## ECCCM 2019 VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

This is a reminder that FUMCC's volunteer day at ECCCM will be Tuesday, November 5th.

If anyone would like to volunteer regularly, please contact Allen Sherrill at (828) 465-1702 or at [a.sherrill@ecccm.org](mailto:a.sherrill@ecccm.org).

Thank you again for all of your hard work!

Sincerely,

Allen Sherrill  
Director of Food Pantry Operations

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

By Our Presence October 27, 2019  
Sunday School  
150

Worship:	
8:45 am	161
11:00 am	127
Livestreaming	17
Total	305

### God's Tithe & Our Gifts

General Fund	\$ 11,826.00
<i>(Needed weekly for budget: \$12,180)</i>	
Capital Campaign (Shell Prop.)	395.00
Children's Bank	1.00
Miracle Moms' Ministry	530.00
Total	\$ 12,752.00

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410 First Avenue North  
Conover, NC 28613  
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### GUESTS for Sunday, October 27, 2019

Hernan Puqa-Luna; Tricia & Alicia Littlejohn;  
John & Margie Furmage; Axel & Jagger  
Beatenhead; Donna & Jessie Ron; Emmett & Jane  
Wike; Stacia Brittan; Jeff & Dawn Newton; John &  
Diane Clawson; Scottie Corriher.

### ATTENTION: PARENTS OF COLLEGE STUDENTS OR COLLEGE STUDENTS

The Faithbuilders Sunday School Class has a mission to reach out, encourage, and build up our students attending college, trade schools or post HS education. To assist us, we are asking for your student's contact information: NAME, SCHOOL, & MAILING ADDRESS. We will be sending "care packages" soon.

NOTE: Even if your student has received a package in the past, we will still need the updated information. Or please confirm there has been no change from last year.

Please provide this information NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, 11/8/2019.

TO: Robin Mays at the church office at  
(828)-465-4635 ([fumcc@fumccconover.org](mailto:fumcc@fumccconover.org))  
OR JoEllen Knecht – [joellenknecht@yahoo.com](mailto:joellenknecht@yahoo.com)



Answer to this week's Pastor's Quiz:  
*b. shortest (Philemon)*

### By Our Service November 3, 2019

#### Ushers:

8:45 AM Ray Penley  
11:00 AM Eddie Warren

#### Greeters:

8:45 AM Pam Penley  
11:00 AM Gene & Beverly Swithenbank

#### Acolyte:

8:45 AM Jacob Sierzenga  
11:00 AM Bradley Markland

#### Nursery Workers:

8:45 AM Marsha Williams  
11:00 AM Kim Connor

Thank you Nursery Committee Coordinator for  
November, Julie Patterson.

### CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Dr. Gary Royals ( <a href="mailto:pastor@fumccconover.org">pastor@fumccconover.org</a> )
Assistant Pastor of Faith Dev.	Charmaine Van Rooyen ( <a href="mailto:apfd@fumccconover.org">apfd@fumccconover.org</a> )
Administrative Assistant	Robin Mays ( <a href="mailto:fumcc@fumccconover.org">fumcc@fumccconover.org</a> )
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Pianist	Shannon Rogers ( <a href="mailto:srog101@gmail.com">srog101@gmail.com</a> ) (828) 244-6124
Organist	Alex Wilson ( <a href="mailto:organistfumccconover@gmail.com">organistfumccconover@gmail.com</a> ) (803) 810-3396
Preschool Director	Ginger Doub (466-3158) ( <a href="mailto:ps@fumccconover.org">ps@fumccconover.org</a> )
Lead Nursery Worker	Pilar Tobar
Custodian	Luisa Toro Bryan (828) 464-4635
Church Office	(828) 464-3423
Facsimile	<a href="http://www.fumccconover.org">www.fumccconover.org</a>
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

# MORE NEWS TO USE

## LADIES' LUNCH BUNCH

NOVEMBER 13, 2019  
11:00 AM

DaVinci's  
2968 N. Center Street  
Hickory, NC 28601  
(828) 328-6101



## To any and all CHRISTMAS DECORATORS - Mark your calendars:

DATE: Saturday, November 29th

TIME: 9:00 am

Please join us for great fellowship and fun as we come together to make the Church beautiful!

\*\*And we invite any Members to help us with embellishing the CFLC Christmas tree, by donating a special Ornament from your family, as we've done in years past. Please put your name on it and leave it in the box marked "CFLC Christmas Ornaments" located in the Common Area outside the Conference room. We will gather and hang them for all to see and enjoy for years to come!

Thank you and to God be the glory!

Contact Michelle Sierzenga at  
828-446-8244 if you have questions.



## "OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD" SHOEBOX MINISTRY

PACK A SHOEBOX!!! We are acting on First United Methodist Church Conover's mission statement by participating in Operation Christmas Child.

- We are BRINGING IN shoeboxes (thank you youth for assembling them for us!)
- Now let us BUILD THEM UP with toys, school supplies and hygiene items;
- Then we will SEND THEM OUT with prayer and funding knowing God will oversee their delivery to people living in the middle of nowhere including islands, deserts and places where there are no churches. We Conover missionaries are sharing things for children BUT greater than that we are sharing the hope found in Jesus Christ. Go worldwide as a Conover Missionary! **Deadline for shoeboxes to be returned to the church is Nov. 24th.**

Tommi Anderson, Coordinator

## "HOOPS FOR CHRIST" BASKETBALL OUTREACH MINISTRY

Hoops for Christ is one of FUMCC's largest outreach programs. For this program to continue to be successful, we need your help!

We need coaches for all ages, K-2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>. No experience is necessary.

We will be having 6 game days and will have 6 games on each of these days, which means we will need 36 devotion slots filled. Will you consider stepping up to do a devotion (or several, you're not limited to just one)?

There are lots of people who come to our church through this program and many of them may not know Christ. This is an opportunity for our congregation to share the love of Jesus with others. Please let Mack Little / Dana Little know if you are willing to volunteer and be a part of this wonderful ministry at (828) 320-9904.



# Fueling Faith

## Youth in Training

Next Meeting: November 3, 5pm - 6:30pm

Your **YOUTH GROUP**  is selling **2020**  S to supplement the Youth Fund.

Mary or Charles Hornick (8:45) or Jessie Crooks and Jackie Lowdermilk (11:00) will trade your **\$7.00** for a beautiful calendar!

Thank you for supporting your youth.

## Veterans Appreciation Dinner

Veterans Day gives us the opportunity to celebrate and honor the bravery and sacrifices of all our U.S. Veterans and their spouses.

Veterans, Spouses of Veterans and a guest are invited to an evening of dinner and celebration on



*R.S.V.P. by November 3 at 828-464-4635*



## VETERANS DAY '19

Veterans Day is intended to honor and thank all military personnel who served the United States in all wars, particularly living veterans.

This year we want to acknowledge the often overlooked sacrifice of veterans' spouses by extending an invitation to them as well. Please help me to get this invitation out to all of our veterans and veteran spouses.

## UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONAL



Upper Room Devotional books for November/December are now available in the common area and upstairs beside the water fountain.

Old devotionals can be recycled at church. Please drop them off in the bin on the table just outside the sanctuary on the piano-side.

**Have questions?** Contact Charmaine

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

# EVEN MORE NEWS TO USE



## BRIDAL SHOWER FOR CHELSEA DANNER

The ladies of the church are invited to a  
bridal shower for Chelsea Danner.

**WHEN:** SUNDAY, NOV. 10TH 2-4PM  
**WHERE:** CONNOR FAMILY LIFE CENTER

Chelsea is registered at:  
Target & Bed, Bath and Beyond



## PRESENTATION OF 2019 LAY SERVICE AWARD

This year's Lay Service Award was presented to Laurette Rheeder on Sunday, Oct. 27th. Pictured left to right are Lee Moritz, Jr., Lay Leader of FUMCC, Laurette Rheeder, and Rev. Dr. Gary Royals, Pastor of FUMCC.

Congratulations to Laurette and our thanks to her for her service to First UMC Conover.



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

Isaiah  
64:8

### Youth Meeting & Ministry Teams

Our next youth meeting is Sunday, 11/3.

Ministry Teams:

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

### Calendar Watch

#### November

3—Youth Meeting & Ministry Teams

10—Youth Meeting & Ministry Teams

17—Youth Sunday (times to come)

#### December

8—Progressive Dinner

30—New Year's Eve Eve Gathering

#### 2020

Schedule Coming Soon

# YOUTH GROUP



### Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who helped with the harvest festival on Saturday. It was a great event that reached out to the community. It helped us show them the love of Christ and how we are all the same in Him.

### High School Winter Retreat

**MUST KNOW THIS WEEK!!** There are 2 dates;

January 17-20 and  
February 14-17. See email for  
more information.



### 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)



# November 2019

November 2019

December 2019

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29	30	31				

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**Birthdays**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 Kimberly Reynolds Cameron Sherbert	4	5 Troy Spencer	6 Danielle Kincaid Saryn Pennell Betty Prater Alex Wilson	7 Corey Keisler Zander Spencer	8 Cindy Clark Addison Punch	9 Hollie Williamson
10 Buck Calloway	11 Justin Cole Taylor Little	12 Tim Hawn Toni Smith	13 Michelle Brackett Mary Mason	14	15	16 Chris Barbersek
17 Chip Little	18	19 Jody Porter	20 Maddox Conner Madilyn Conner McKenzie Morrow	21 Mark Deal	22 Ayvah Hearne Jeannie Houston	23 Beth Boston Fara Dellinger
24 Damian Gibson Larry Lowdermilk Eva Mays Neika Peterson Vata Shook Winford Tucker	25 Patricia Hatch Jailyn Kimsey Jerry Patterson	26 Bradley Markland	27 Darryl Baucom Sandy Baucom Sue James Chase Little	28 Daniel Barbersek Ann Cook	29 Anthony Price	30 Beverly Stone

**Wedding Anniversaries**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3	4	5	6 Dixon & Margery Adams	7 Elbert & Lee Ann Parris Winford & Adelia Tucker Aaron & Krystle Watson	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16 Harry & Trenia Monk
17	18 Al & Kay Kale	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 Jeff & Anne Barrier	30 Jack & Gaye Hoke

# The Corner Table's Christmas Candy Tins

Purchase a Gift with Meaning this Holiday Season!



*Chocolate Fudge* ♦ *Peppermint Bark*  
*Peanut Butter Balls* ♦ *Christmas Crackle*

**Candy Orders Due:**  
**Friday, November 15, 2019**

**Candy Tin Pick-Up:**  
**Friday, December 13, 2019**

**\$25**  
Per Tin

#### **WAYS TO PLACE AN ORDER**

- 1. CONTACT THE CORNER TABLE AT 828-464-0355**
- 2. ONLINE AT [THECORNERTABLE.ORG](http://THECORNERTABLE.ORG)**
- 3. EMAIL [INFO@THECORNERTABLE.ORG](mailto:INFO@THECORNERTABLE.ORG)**

**The Corner Table**  
SOUP KITCHEN

# **NEWEST MEMBER OF FUMCC SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2019**



## **OUR NEWEST MEMBER**

**Beverly Stone  
403 Rock Barn Road, NE  
Conover, NC 28613  
(828) 464-8608 - home  
(828) 244-1130 - cell**