



CONOVER
FIRST UNITED
METHODIST

Our Mission:
Bring Them In...
Build Them Up...
Send Them Out!



The Weekly Newsletter of First United Methodist Church, Conover

December 17, 2019



**Christ, by highest heaven adored;
Christ, the everlasting Lord;
late in time behold him come,
off-spring of a virgin's womb.
veiled in flesh the God-head see;
hail th'incarnate Deity,
pleased with us in flesh to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! the herald angels sing,
"Glory to the new-born King!"**

— Charles Wesley

WE WISH YOU ALL A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
A HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!

The Staff of FUMCC

Dr. Gary

Pastor Charmaine

Robin

Jon

Shannon

Alex

Pilar

Luisa

The Preschool Staff

Ginger

Clydie

Julie

Jenene

Debra

Yvette

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:

Tina Hudson
Bill & Anita Huffman
Charles & Cindy Huffman
Melissa Hunsucker
Susan Hunsucker
Jack & Shirley Hutchinson



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)

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 FAITH of Abernethy Laurels
(Room 2029) 102 Leonard Avenue, Newton, NC
28658

Don Barbersek, 609 2nd Ave. NW
Conover, NC 28613

Betty Moritz, 103 County Home Road
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.

THANK YOU FROM THE STAFF OF FUMCC

The entire staff of FUMCC would like to offer a heartfelt "Thank you" to everyone for the generous Christmas gift you provided to each of us. It is truly a joy and honor to serve you and to serve with you for the sake of the Gospel. We love each and every one of you.

The Staff of FUMCC



MEMORIAL

Miracle Moms' Ministry

In memory of Davis Laney by:
Johnny & Denise Moose

HONORARIUMS

Boy Scouts

In honor of Gerald Loftin by:
Johnny & Denise Moose

Girl Scouts

In honor of Debbie Moritz by:
Johnny & Denise Moose

Matthew Bolick Scholarship Fund

In honor of Betty Moritz by:
Johnny & Denise Moose

Miracle Moms' Ministry

In honor of Brooks Laney by:
Johnny & Denise Moose

NEWS TO USE

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Dec. 19** 6:30pm - UMM Meeting (CFLC/Kit. 2-9pm)
Dec. 20 10:30am-12pm - Preschool Christmas Program (CFLC)
Dec. 21 11:30am-3pm - Glenna Sherrill Family Christmas gathering (CFLC/Kit. 11am-4pm)
Dec. 23-Jan. 3 - Preschool Closed for Christmas
Dec. 24 12:00pm - Office Closed for Christmas
Dec. 24 4:30-5:30pm Christmas Eve Service
 5:45-6:15pm Communion
 6:30-7:30pm Christmas Eve Service
Dec. 25-26 Office Closed for Christmas Holiday
Jan. 1 Office Closed for New Year's Day

PASTOR'S QUIZ



"It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of

- Satan"
- the secular authorities"
- the living God"
- the apostles"

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

NEW ADDRESSES

Ron & Dottie Harris
 1449 Brookstone Drive
 Hickory, NC 28602

Scott & Rebekah (Love) MacKinnon
 3711 Sykes Lane
 Wahiawa, HI 96786

Patrick Morrow
 2069 21st Avenue SE
 Hickory, NC 28602

NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION Sunday, January 26 4:00 PM

If you have been visiting our church and are even thinking about becoming a member, Gary would like to invite you to a "new member orientation" to be held on Sunday, January 26 at 4:00 in the "Crossroads" classroom. At this meeting, we will talk about the **Beliefs, Structure and History** of the United Methodist Church, as well as how you can make a difference through the many avenues of service offered at FUMC. You may not be sure about membership yet and need more information. Well, this meeting is designed to help you make that decision. There will be time for questions you may have as well. If you plan to attend, we ask that you reserve your place by calling the church office at 828-464-4635 or send an email to fumcc@fumconover.org.



NURSERY WORKER NEEDED SUNDAY, DEC. 22 FOR 11AM SERVICE

If you are available to help in the Nursery Sunday, Dec. 22nd at the 11am service, please call the church office at (828) 464-4635. Thank you.

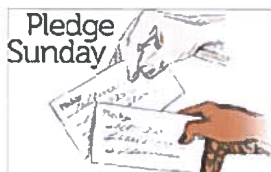
STEWARDSHIP REPORT

By Our Presence December 15, 2019
 Sunday School
 117

Worship:	
8:45 am	158
11:00 am	195
Live Streaming	27
Total	380

God's Tithe & Our Gifts

General Fund	\$	9,301.50
<i>(Needed weekly for budget: \$12,180)</i>		
Boy Scouts		400.00
Capital Campaign (Shell Prop.)		18,025.00
Girl Scouts		300.00
Matthew Bolick Scholarship Fund		650.00
Miracle Moms' Ministry		650.00
Total	\$	29,326.50



PLEDGE CARDS, TIME & TALENT SHEETS

If you haven't already done so, you can turn in your Pledge Cards and Time & Talent Sheets to the church office Monday - Thursday 8am-12 noon and 1-4pm. Please call if you need any of these. Thank you.

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 Conover, NC 28613
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GUESTS for Sunday, December 15, 2019

Linda & Karen Whitley; Marie Harris; Lisa & Megan Johnson; Andy & Chloe Thompson; Emily Abernethy, Finley & Amelia; Donna & Jessie Ross; Emmett & Jane Wike; Adam Barrows; Peyton Goins; Cheryl Gragg; Adam, Erin, Landon, Harper & Delaney Clawson; James & Christy Jeffries; Jack Sigmon; Luisa Toro; Robin Mays; Don Lingerfelt; Jean Auton, Jodie Auton; Michael, Susan & Clayton Stewart; Tammy Nine; Coleman Carter; Hank Beck; Joanie, Cass & Heather Taliaferro; Mark & Lynn Murphy; Jeffrey Keever.

By Our Service December 22, 2019

Ushers:
 8:45 AM Michael Cashion
 11:00 AM Wayne Thornburg

Greeters:
 8:45 AM Laurie Cashion
 11:00 AM Burr & Betsy Stoker

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

Nursery Workers:
 8:45 AM Amy & Samantha Hawn
 11:00 AM

Thank you Nursery Committee Coordinator for December, Ginger Doub.

**SIGN-UP FOR DISCIPLE 1
 BEGINNING TUESDAY, JAN. 7, 2020**

Pastor Gary will be offering the Disciple 1 Bible Study beginning Tuesday, January 7, 2020. Come to the CFLC at 7pm for the Orientation. Classes will be each week on Tuesday night from 7-8:30pm until May 5th. It will continue on the New Testament beginning in the Fall on Sept. 8th. You may call the church office at (828) 464-4635 to register.

Thank you.

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	www.fumconover.org
Website:	(828) 464-4635-church (704) 787-0598-cell
Pastor's phone numbers	2161 Augusta National Drive Denver, NC 28037
Pastor's address	(781) 913-4415 - cell
Assistant Pastor's phone #	1307 8th Avenue NW
Assistant Pastor's address	Conover, NC 28613

**ATTENTION: ADDRESS,
 PHONE NUMBERS, Y/E OFFERINGS**

As the year comes to a close, please remember to submit any address or phone number changes to the church office at (828) 464-4635 or via email to fumcc@fumconover.org so that the information will be up to date for the update to the directory.

Also, all year-end offerings will need to be submitted to the church office no later than noon on Monday, December 30th. Thank you for your attention to these matters.

Answer to this week's Pastor's Quiz:
c. the living God" (Hebrews 10:31)

January 2020

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February 2020

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Dec 29	30	31	Jan 1, 20	2	3	4
			OPRESCHOOL CLOSED OFFICE CLOSED (NEW)	OPRESCHOOL CLOSED 7pm Hand & Foot car 7pm Scout Roundtable	OPRESCHOOL CLOSED 7pm Domino's (Faithb)	08am-3pm "Hoops" G
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
10am Van-Michele Mc	6pm Cub Scouts (CFLC) 7pm Boy Scouts (CFLC)	10:45-11:45am - Praye 1pm Prayer Shawl (Cot) 3pm UpperRm BS (Cla) 7-8pm Disciple 1 Orier	1pm Queen Esthers Mf 6-9pm "Hoops" Practit 7pm Choir practice (Ct)	7pm Hand & Foot car	6:30pm Girl Scouts (CF) 7pm Domino's (Faithb)	08am-3pm "Hoops" G
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
5:45pm Fin. Comm. MI 7pm Church Council IV	6pm Cub Scouts (CFLC) 7pm Boy Scouts (CFLC) 7pm Circle #5 (Conf. rt)	10:45-11:45am - Praye 3pm UpperRm BS (Cla) 7-8pm Disciple 1 Bible	6-9pm "Hoops" Practit 7pm Choir practice (Ct)	7pm Hand & Foot car	6:30pm Girl Scouts (CF) 7pm Domino's (Faithb)	08am-3pm "Hoops" Bt
26	27	28	29	30	31	Feb 1
4pm-New Member Or	6pm Cub Scouts (CFLC) 7pm Boy Scouts (CFLC)	10:45-11:45am - Praye 3pm UpperRm BS (Cla) 7-8pm Disciple 1 Bible	6-9pm "Hoops" Practit 7pm Choir practice (Ct)	7pm Hand & Foot car	7pm Domino's (Faithb)	

Dec 29 - Jan 4

Jan 5 - 11

Jan 12 - 18

Jan 19 - 25

Jan 26 - Feb 1

First UMC
Birthdays

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5	6	7 Brien Bowen	8	9 Tommy Hall	10 Loni Barbersek Sierra Goble	11 Evelyn Brooks Carole Cloninger Dennis Knecht
12 Wayne Thornburg Brandon Vigue	13 Roxxi Slaughter	14 Debra Byrd	15 Cole Cushman Bradley Yount	16 Sidney Cashion Wendy Price	17 Laurie Cashion	18 Mark Pennell Sydney Roberts Reese Rockett
19 Taylor Price Jacob Scott	20 Michael Greco Jaunita Whisnant	21 Layla Deal Haley Matthews	22	23 Robert Matthews	24 Elizabeth Hornick	25 Andy Briggs
26 Michele Moritz Debbie Wike	27 Lucas Hernandez	28 Tony Garrison Jonathan Myers	29 Anne Calloway Greta Induni Aaron Watson Carolyn Whitlock	30 Nancy Wall	31 Linda Birchfield Wende Briggs Lori Schulze Lori Sigmon	

First UMC
Wedding Anniversaries

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
5	6	7	8 Andy & Wende Briggs	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Jimmy & Cindy Clark Gerald & Sandy Loftin	16	17	18
19 Dave & Cheryl Markland	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29 Randy & Jeanne Abernathy	30	31	