



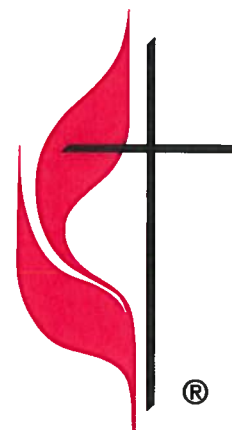
CONOVER  
FIRST UNITED  
METHODIST

*Our Mission:*

*Bring Them In...*

*Build Them Up...*

*Send Them Out!*



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

*January 22, 2020*

**“Red Is For the Blood”**

We will be singing “Red Is For the Blood” in a couple of weeks and it’s been a while since I wrote about where we got this song. Andrew Brown, who is now a youth minister and musician, wrote this song in 2009 and we learned it during the summer camp 2010. On one of his many mission trips to Africa they were handing out and explaining “salvation bracelets” which you may remember- multi-colored beads on a leather strap used to witness to non-believers. He asked a little girl on their last day what the colors meant- and she pointed to the red one and said “This one’s my favorite! Red is for the blood of Jesus Christ!” He said “You know, that one is my favorite too!” A couple of weeks later he had the lyrics and put chords to it..

Red is for the Blood, Andrew Brown ©2009

Verse 1

Who am I that You would know my name  
Come and die, take this sinner’s place  
Give Your life, to save this broken race. I am Yours

Pre-chorus

Here I stand, at the cross where You bled.  
Covered in Love, I’m covered in Red

Chorus:

Red is for the blood, for the love, for the mercy pourin’ down  
For the One who took my nails, took my sin, took my crown,  
It’s for the Father who would not give up until this one was found  
It’s for the blood of Jesus.  
Red is for the blood,  
it’s for Your blood.

Verse 2

You have eyes that see what I can’t see  
Searched through time into the heart of me  
Crucified, You set this captive free, now I’m Yours.

If you read the Bible you just can’t miss the fact that our salvation is free- the price was paid by Jesus Christ. The price Jesus paid was His blood. His blood washes us “whiter than snow.” There are countless hymns and songs that talk about the blood of Jesus- so many that I can’t even begin to count them all. I’ll just say there are “a lot” and leave it at that. Our hymnal in 1935 and 1966 was censored, removing old favorites with more “socially acceptable” songs with zero references to blood, but not many congregations sang them. So, in 1989 they got rid of over 100 of those “social” songs and replaced the hymns that didn’t sugar-coat or ignore what our savior went through to pay the price for our sin.

Sincerely, Jon Rogers

# \*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:

Margaret Kilpatrick  
Danielle Kincaid  
Clyde & Carol Kistler  
Dennis, JoEllen & Kathryn Knecht  
Sara Knecht  
Christopher, Jessica & Stella Koenig



## **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**

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Don Barbersek at Trinity Village Rehab  
(Room 122) Hickory, NC

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.

## **IN / OUT OF HOSPITAL**

Tut Johnston at CVMC (Room 332)

## **MEMORIALS** **General Fund**

In memory of Fred Fisher by:  
Mark & Rita Deal  
Gene & Beverly Swithenbank



## **THANK YOU**

Dear Church Family,  
Thank you so much for your cards, words of comfort and expressions of sympathy in the loss of my sister. I will never forget the outpouring of love that I have felt during this time.

Debbie Royals

## **THANK YOU**

I would like to thank everyone for the prayers, cards and phone calls while I have been recuperating from the shingles. They have helped ease the pain and been a blessing to me.

Gods blessings to each of you at First UMC.

Love,

Mary Rudisill

# NEWS TO USE

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Jan. 25** 8am-3pm "Hoops" games (CFLC)  
**Jan. 25** 5pm - "Hoops" Banquet (CFLC)  
**Jan. 26** 4pm - New Member Orientation (Crossroads)  
**Jan. 28** 7-8:30pm Disciple 1 Bible Study (CFLC)  
**Feb. 1** 8am-4pm Soul Sisters Circle (Kitchen)  
**Feb. 2** After 8:45am service & 11am service -  
 Offering received for "Souper Bowl of Caring"  
**Feb. 2** 10am - Van - Michele Moritz's SS class  
**Feb. 4** 7-8:30pm Disciple 1 Bible Study (CFLC)  
**Feb. 6** 7pm - Scout Roundtable (CFLC)  
**Feb. 9** Scouting Ministries Sunday  
**Feb. 9** 3:30-7pm Youth Tms & Mtgs (Sanc./GH/  
 CFLC)  
**Feb. 9** 5-6:30pm Youth-in-Training (Gray House)  
**Feb. 11** 7-8:30pm Disciple 1 Bible Study (CFLC)  
**Feb. 12** 11:30am Lunch Bunch - Hen & Egg  
**Feb. 12** 1pm - Queen Esthers (Clark classroom)  
**Feb. 14-17** Both Vans - Senior Youth

## 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](mailto:fumcc@fumconover.org).



## JUST A REMINDER

**Please remember to wear your name tags when attending church services.**

**Thank you.**



## PASTOR'S QUIZ



"Be not forgetful to entertain strangers," says Hebrews, "for thereby

- others will show hospitality unto you"
- the living God will be pleased"
- some have entertained angels unawares"
- we acknowledge that we are all strangers but in God"

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

## SOUL SISTERS CIRCLE SOUP SALE

The Soul Sisters Circle will be selling their delicious homemade soups on Sunday, February 2 in the Commons area from 9:30 – 11:15 am between worship services and during the Sunday school hour. WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO PREORDER YOUR SOUPS SO WE CAN GUARANTEE YOU GET YOUR CHOICES! Preordered soups are also available to pick up on Saturday, February 1 from 2- 4pm in the kitchen of the Connor Family Life Center. The soups are \$5 for a pint. There are (3) awesome offerings: Cheesy Potato, Chicken with Wild Rice and Vegetables and Hamburger Taco Soup.

You can preorder your soup by calling Rita Deal at (828) 465-7273 and leaving a message or emailing Rita at [msdeal@charter.net](mailto:msdeal@charter.net).

All monies will be used to support our missions. Thank you for your support!  
**STOCK THOSE FREEZERS!!!**



## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

By Our Presence January 19, 2020  
 Sunday School  
 151

Worship:	
8:45 am	173
11:00 am	135
Live Streaming	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>322</b>

### God's Tithe & Our Gifts

General Fund	\$ 13,006.00
<i>(Needed weekly for budget: \$12,596)</i>	
Capital Campaign (Shell Prop.)	683.50
Children's Bank	5.25
Disciple 1 Workbooks	136.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 13,830.75</b>

Deposited 1/16/2020 - Organ Fund....\$10,000.00

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GUESTS for Sunday, Jan. 19, 2020  
 Keith & Susan Tucker; Haley Beech;  
 Bob Tannehill; Emmett & Jane Wike;  
 Nancy Cheek; John & Margie Furrage;  
 Jack Sigmon; J.D. & Cindy Heard; Jack & Marjorie  
 Carpenter; Sharon Benfield; Leonard & Julie  
 Lawing; Hank Beck; Joanie, Cass & Heather  
 Taliaferro; Audrey Keisler; Teresa Myers;  
 Shane Cashion.

**CHURCH VOLUNTEER  
 DAY AT ECCCM**

**TUESDAY, FEB. 4**



**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT &  
 OUTREACH COMMITTEE**

The first meeting of the Community Engagement  
 Outreach Committee will meet Sunday,  
 February 9 at 2:00pm in the Conference room  
 for the Prayer Walk planning.



Answer to this week's Pastor's Quiz:  
*c. some have entertained angels unawares" (Hebrews 13:2)*

**By Our Service January 26, 2020**

**Ushers:**

8:45 AM Keith Hall  
 11:00 AM Adam Johnson

**Greeters:**

8:45 AM Tommie Hall  
 11:00 AM Melissa Johnson

**Acolyte:**

8:45 AM Laci Matthews  
 11:00 AM Kaela Briggs

**Nursery Workers:**

8:45 AM Lindsay Keisler  
 11:00 AM Melissa Johnson

Thank you Nursery Committee Coordinator for  
 January, Laurette Rheeder.

**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
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



Isaiah 64:8

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

## Calendar Watch

### Jan

26 - Youth Meeting & Ministry Teams

### February

2 - Souper Bowl of Caring

9 - Youth Meeting & Ministry Teams

14-16 - Ridgehaven (Senior Youth)

23 - Youth Meeting & Ministry Teams

### March

6 & 7 - 30-hour famine

22 - Meeting & Ministry Teams

### April

5 - Youth Meeting & Ministry Teams

19 - Youth Meeting & Ministry Teams

24-26 - IgniteUs (Middle School)



## Youth Meeting - 1/26/2020

Our next Youth meeting is Sunday, 1/26. Ministry teams and meetings are at the same times / locations.

3:30 - Praise Team (Sanctuary)

4:15 - Dance Team (CFLC)

5:00 - Youth Meeting (Gray House)

6:30 - Drama (CFLC)

## Souper Bowl of Caring - February 2nd

Souper Bowl of Caring is a chance for our youth to collect money during service on the day of the Big Game. 100% of donations will go to a local food bank / charity. The largest weekend of football will also be a great weekend of caring.



## 30-Hour Famine - 3/6 & 3/7

30-Hour Famine is on.

Hand Prints (lots of them) will be done the night of 3/6!

We will need significant help to ensure this event happens, be watching emails.



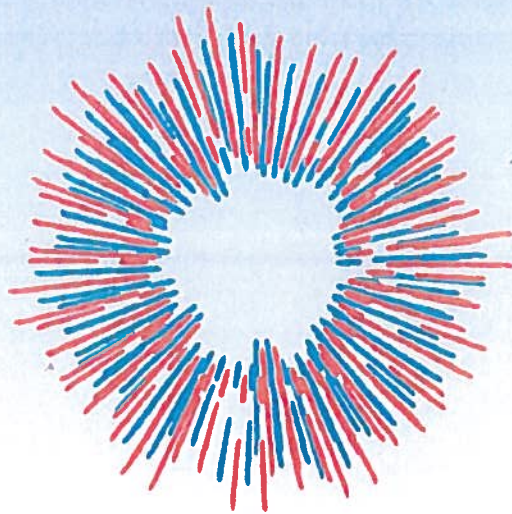
Join the youth Facebook group, 'FUMCC Youth'. Lots of pictures and information.



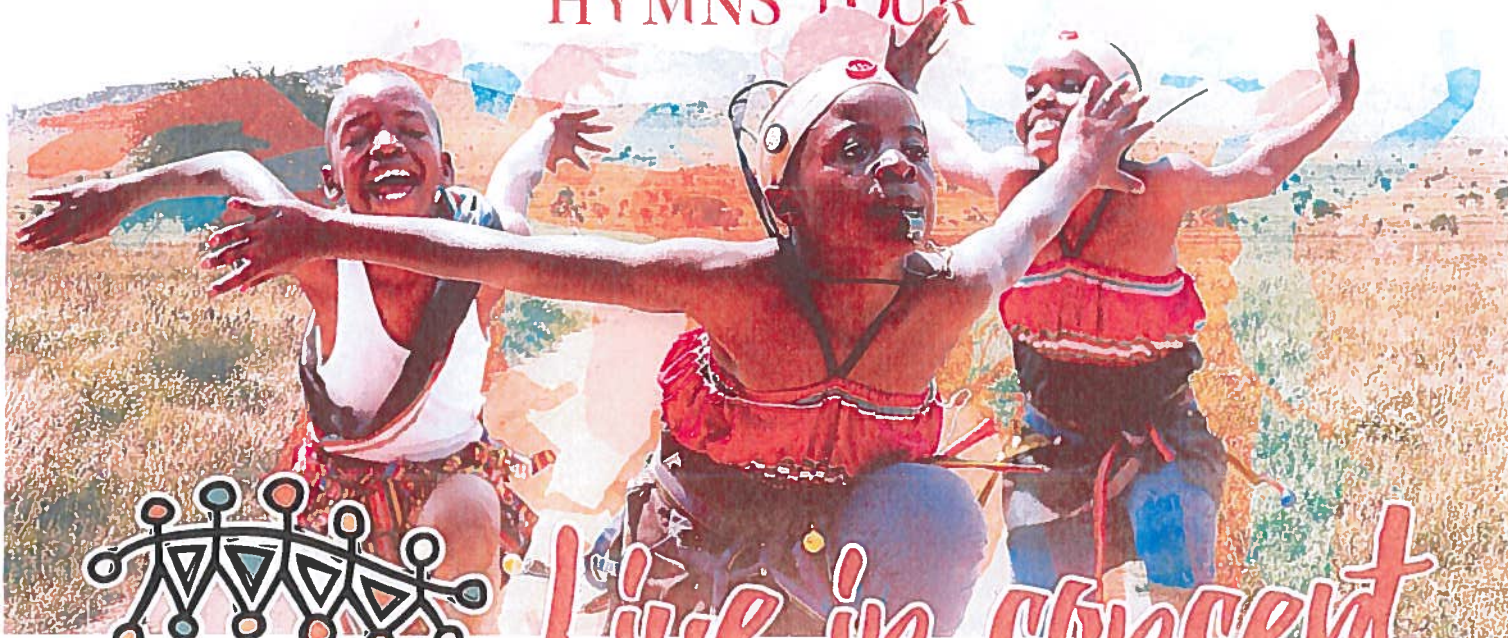
For more information about the Youth Ministry at Conover First United Methodist Church, please contact

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



# JUST AS I AM HYMNS TOUR



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**Tuesday,  
January 28, 2020  
7:00 pm**

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