



CONOVER
FIRST UNITED
METHODIST

Our Vision:

*“By knowing Him, we
Seek to make Him known
to all people
Through the love and
Grace of Jesus Christ.”*



The Weekly Newsletter of First United Methodist Church, Conover December 8, 2020

To the Church Family

We all know a lot of things are different this year but this coming Sunday we are going to celebrate the Christmas Season with music. The Praise Team will be performing several selections and Alex will work his magic on the organ. We invite you all to worship with us either in person or online in a musical service dedicated to the celebration of our Saviors' birth!

Musically Yours,
Praise Team, Alex,
Shannon and Jon



*Sounds
of the
Season*

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:

M.G. Doub
Sue Dwiggin
Ray & Judy Elkin
Shirley "Boots" Elliott
Alan, Melissa, Jacob & Drew Fisher
Betty Fisher

IN / OUT OF HOSPITAL

Beth Boston at CVMC
Richard Sears at home
Jessica Crooks at home
Jerry Shepherd at home



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.

MEMORIAL Organ Fund

In memory of Lorance & Sadie Clark by:
Susan Hunsucker

Children's Christmas

Wave Parade



Saturday, Dec. 12, 4 - 5pm

Children and grandchildren will experience an array of "entertainment" in this Parade, all from the safety of your vehicle.

Snowballs 'might' be flying!! Watch out Santa!!

R.S.V.P. by December 10th

Text: 781-913-4415 or

Call: 828-464-4635

or pastorcharmaine@gmail.com



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

Betty Couch - Trinity Village
1265 21st St. NE, Hickory, NC 28601
(828) 328-2006

Betty Fisher - Valley Nursing & Rehab (Room 606)
581 NC-16 S Taylorsville 28681
Cell - (828) 302-6608

Nell Johnson
Kingston Residence
904 2nd Street NE, Apt. 109
Hickory, NC 28601
(828) 328-9962 - landline
(828) 228-7396 - cell

Rick Parker - Catawba Valley Living at
Rock Barn (Room 107)
4174 Shook Road
Claremont, NC 28610

M.G. Doub, 319 7th Street Place SW #A6
Conover, NC 28613

Betty Moritz, 103 County Home Road
Conover, NC 28613

Dolores Setzer PO Box 1237
Conover, NC 28613

Glenna Sherrill, 2038 North Deal Avenue
Newton, NC 28658

Beverly Stone, 403 Rock Barn Rd., NE
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.

NEWS TO USE

FACE MASKS REQUIRED AT BOTH SERVICES

Due to the spike in COVID-19 cases in Catawba County, the Church Council is requiring masks to be worn at both services for a temporary period of time. Thank you for your patience and understanding during this time.



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMPLETE!

As of November 30, 2020 all costs associated with the purchase, financing and demolition of the adjoining Shell property have been collected in full. Any and all remaining outstanding pledges are hereby cancelled. No other pledges or contributions for purchase of the Shell property will be accepted. Any future funds received for this purpose will either be returned to the donor or applied to another approved designated fund of the church with the donor's permission. With sincere thanks.

Bob Goodson

CHRISTMAS CHEER

The Christmas season is here, and once again the Caring Ministry would like to spread love and joy to our homebound and nursing facility members. Bags have been placed outside Charmaine's office with names of our 9 members. Please bring a Christmas card to add to each bag on Sunday morning or bring them by during the week. The names are listed in the newsletter. If you are not comfortable getting out, feel free to drop your cards in the mail. The deadline will be December 20th, so that we will have time to deliver the bags.

Thank you for your help in this special ministry.

The Caring Ministry Team



PASTOR'S QUIZ

John was shown the river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding



- a. around the city
- b. by the side of the city street
- c. out of the throne of God and of the Lamb
- d. directly into the fountain in the center of the city

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

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

By Our Presence December 6, 2020
Sunday School
48

Worship:	
8:45am Service	76
11:15am Service	42
Live Streaming	191
Total	309

God's Tithe & Our Gifts

General Fund \$ 16,865.00
(Needed weekly for budget: \$12,596)

Children's Bank	52.25
Organ Fund	1,125.00
Staff Love Offering	1,935.00
Total	\$ 19,977.25

Separate Deposit 12-7-20

General Fund	400.00
Staff Love Offering	205.00

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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

CHANGE OF EMAIL ADDRESS

Please use pastorcharmaigne@gmail.com to reach Pastor Charmaine. Thank you.

NOTE OF SYMPATHY

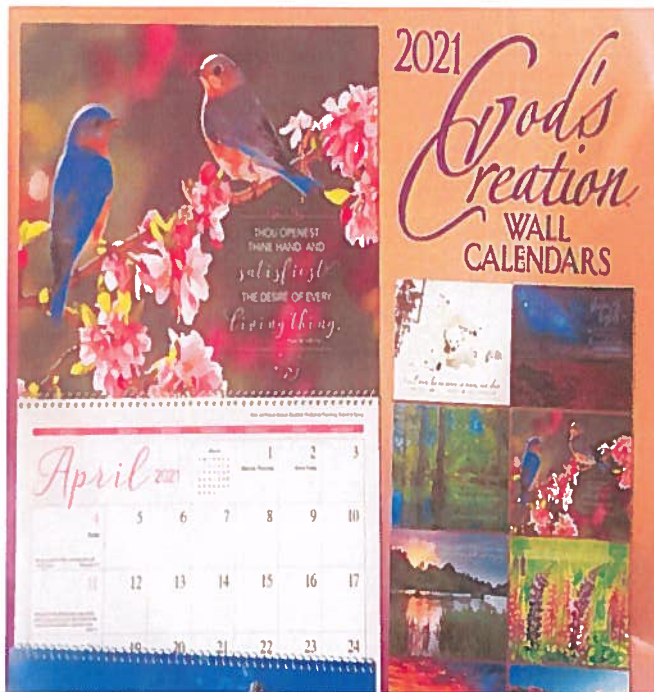
Joanne Vivian Sigmon, age 81 and the grandmother of Elizabeth Conner, died Friday, December 4, 2020. Arrangements are incomplete at this time.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Elizabeth, Tyler, Maddox, Madilyn & Waylon during this sad time.

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410 First Avenue North
Conover, NC 28613
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Calendars are here!
The cost is \$7 each.
Please see a youth
or Charles or Mary Hornick
to get yours today!



Answer to this week's Pastor's Quiz:

c. out of the throne of God and of the Lamb (Revelation 22:1-2)

GUESTS for Sunday, December 6, 2020:

106 households viewed by live-streaming at
1.8 persons per household = 191
8:45am Service - 76; 11:00am Service - 42
Total: 309

WNCC now recommends 1.8 persons per household.

CHURCH STAFF

Pastor	Dr. Gary Royals (pastor@fumconover.org)
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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	www.fumconover.org
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Pastor's phone numbers	(704) 787-0598-cell
Pastor's address	2161 Augusta National Drive Denver, NC 28037
Associate Pastor's phone #	(781) 913-4415 - cell
Associate Pastor's address	1307 8th Avenue NW Conover, NC 28613



Ephesians 6:10-11

First United Methodist Church, Conover Youth Ministry 2020-2021

Calendar Watch

January '21

31 - Youth Meetings & Ministry Teams

February '21

7 - Souper Bowl of Caring
12 - 15 - Ridge Haven High School Retreat
21 - Youth Meetings & Ministry Teams

March '21

12-13 - 30-hour Famine
21 - Youth Meetings & Ministry Teams

April '21

18 - Youth Meetings & Ministry Teams
23 - 25 - IgniteUs Middle School Retreat

May '21

2 - Youth Meetings & Ministry Teams



Thank you!

Thank you all for a great Youth Fall. It has been fast and fun. We appreciate everything you have done this fall. What a great group.



Ridge Haven

High School retreat
February 12th - 15th.
Online registration will be coming soon.

Some Chaperones are still needed.



Progressive Dinner

This dinner was great fun. Thank you to all who attended, brought something and helped out.

Check us out on Facebook @ FUMCC Youth!



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)

NEWEST BAPTIZED MEMBER OF FUMCC SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2020



WAYLON COLT CONNER

**PICTURED ABOVE:
MADDOX, TYLER, WAYLON, MADILYN &
ELIZABETH CONNER**

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HICKORY, NC 28601**

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