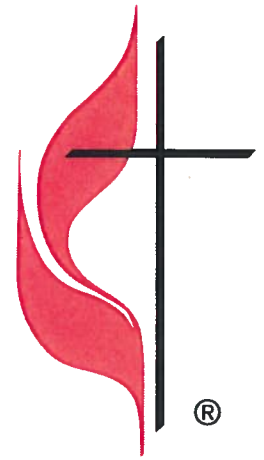




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Our Vision:

*“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

August 17, 2021

LET'S TALK ABOUT WORSHIP!

Jesus sacrificed His only Son for my sins....yours too! Now if that doesn't make you want to thank Him, then something just "Ain't Right".

Worship is a way for us to sacrifice ourselves to God in thanksgiving for what He's done for us. Knowing that we are all human and imperfect, we are called to sacrifice the BEST part of us as we worship. So we give Him our best product. Note that I didn't say our product had to be perfect!

When we sing, there is no difference. We sing and worship and give Him our best product. If we don't give whatever we have, then it's not a sacrifice.

If God were to ask me to give my best worship using Math, well...it's not going to be like some of you solving algebraic equations, but my best will be counting to twelve without messing up!

When you enter into His sanctuary, block out everything, everyone, and just give of yourself WHOLLY.

Jeremiah 33:11- The sounds of joy and gladness, the voices of bride and bridegroom, and the voices of those who bring thank offerings to the house of the Lord, saying,

“Give thanks to the Lord Almighty,
for the Lord is good;
his love endures forever.”

Psalm 100- Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.

Know that the Lord is God.
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his name.
For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;
His faithfulness continues through all generations.

Jon & Shannon 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. The families for this week are:

Beaver, Marsha & Caroline Williams
Ruby Williams
Hollie Williamson
Alex Wilson
Wayne & Sybil Windsor
Jim Wofford

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

Betty Fisher - Valley Nursing & Rehab (Room 606)
581 NC-16 S Taylorsville NC 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

Dottie Harris, 1449 Brookstone Drive
Hickory, NC 28602

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

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

Eli Hailey at Sanger Clinic (At home)
Tut Johnston at CVMC (At home)
Armando Lagunas at Frye RMC (At home)

MEMORIALS Organ Fund

In memory of Bryan Shepherd by:
Dean Proctor
Harry & Trenia Monk
Emmett & Jane Wike
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Turner
Anthony & Linda Alcala
Jimmy & Jane Martin
"Grandma Sain" (Carole Sain)
Kenny & Sandy Austin; Stephen, Melia, Cayden,
and Dominic Austin

HARVEST FESTIVAL for JESUS 2021

As a congregation we will D.V. open our doors and hearts to our community on **October 23rd from 3 - 7pm**. We need many volunteers to host this event. We plan on bouncy houses, hay rides, carnival type games, face painting, trick-or-treating tents, food, music and more!!

Areas you can serve, either before, during or after the event. Spreading the word, heading up or being part of a subgroup (Cake walk, prayer garden, Candy collection etc.) Setting up chairs, tables, tents. Fencing off the yard, tying balloons along the perimeter, trash cans, sanitizing stations. During: Parking, Drive shuttle golf carts, help with your small group's activity/game, hosting a tent for trick-or-treaters, popcorn stand helper, serving food in food tent, supervising bouncy houses/hay rides, available to pray with folks in the columbarium - just to mention a few ... Break down help is **always** accepted!!

Our next meeting will be on **Sunday, August 29 at 2pm** in the CFLC. We would love to have at least one representative from every group (Scouting/Sunday school class/Youth/circles/men/women etc.) present so we can plan and execute as effectively as possible. Once we know who does what not everyone will have to attend every meeting!

Anthony Price & Ralph Hatch are waiting to hear from you!

We will solidify subgroups at this meeting and then it will be full steam ahead!!

NEWS TO USE

NEWS FROM ECCCM

July 19

Thank you for your donation of 3 lbs. of food during the month of June 2021 to the ECCCM Charlie Bunn Food Pantry. For fifty-one years ECCCM has been a beacon of light to any in need.

Thank you so much for volunteering with us in June. Your church worked a total of 128 hours with 5 volunteers.

Aug. 5

Thank you for your donation of food (249 pounds total) during the month of July 2021 to the ECCCM Charlie Bunn Food Pantry.

Dear Pastor & Congregation,
Thank you for responding to God's call to see Jesus in the least of these by supporting ECCCM as together we serve our neighbors in crisis.

Your support allows us to provide Christ's welcome and accompany them during this difficult time in their lives.
Thank you,
Jenny Daugherty

Aug. 11

Thank you so much for volunteering with us last month. Your church worked a total of 141.25 hours with 9 volunteers during July 2021. Thank you again for all of your hard work!

NEXT VOLUNTEER DAY

TUESDAY, SEPT. 7, 2021



ATTENTION GOODTIMERS!

Because of the rising COVID cases, the trip we had planned to West Jefferson next week has been canceled.

Thank you for your understanding in this situation.

Eddie Warren

PASTOR'S QUIZ



"Every ... house divided against itself shall not stand," declared Jesus, referring to

- a. Satan
- b. the Lord
- c. the Israelites
- d. the Pharisees

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

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

By Our Presence August 15, 2021
Sunday School
85

Worship:	
8:45am Service	102
11:00am Service	86
Scouts at Scout Camp	5
Live Streaming	<u>106</u>
Total	299

God's Tithe & Our Gifts

General Fund \$ 12,897.00
(Needed weekly for budget: \$12,596)

Children's Bank 47.25
Organ Fund 615.00
Total \$ 13,559.25



STEP UP SUNDAY

Thanks for the important "ROLL" you play when it comes to teaching kids. Every "ROLL" is important.

When: Sunday August 22 before Sunday School starts.

Where: Lobby outside Pastor Charmaine's office.

All children and Sunday School Teachers- Stop by for a Cinnamon ROLL or Swiss Cake ROLL and drink to take to your Sunday School class.

Thank You
Sunday School Director, Julie Patterson

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2021 FLOWER CHART

Please note that if you wish to sign up on the 2021 flower chart, call the church office at (828) 464-4635 Monday-Thursday to reserve your date.

Available Dates:

<u>Nov.</u>	<u>Dec.</u>
11/14	12/5
11/28	12/12



Answer to this week's Pastor's Quiz:

a. Satan (*Matthew 12:22-26*)

GUESTS for Sunday, August 15, 2021:

59 households viewed by live-streaming at
 1.8 persons per household = 106
 8:45am Service - 102; 11:00am Service - 86
 Scouts at Scout Camp - 5
 Total: 299

WNCC now recommends 1.8 persons per household.

CHURCH STAFF

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