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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

May 17, 2022



Pictured: Front row, R-L, Cole Hendren, Sophie Jimenez, Chloe Tekieniewski, Piper Yang, Jack Rockett.
Back row, R-L, Josephine Phillips, Grant Harrington, Denver Linebarger, Mila Moose, Lincoln Young.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FUMCC GRADUATING CLASS OF 2022

On Friday May 27, 2022 the Four Year Old Class of FUMCC Preschool will participate in a graduation program at 10:00AM in the CFLC. This will be our 58th consecutive graduation class here at FUMCC.

This program is an outreach of Conover First United Methodist Church dedicated to serving the children and families of this community in such a way that the children are exposed to a social and educational environment in a Christian setting.

Each year we work to involve the children in the growth of understanding the Love of Jesus through learning and play. Our primary objective is to let the children know that Jesus is always with them throughout their life. They learn 123, ABC, and Jesus Loves Me.

This program is a large part of the community and has reached thousands of children in the last 58 consecutive years. Conover First United Methodist Church has blessed so many families and we have no idea how far and wide the message of Jesus' love has spread through this amazing program.

Thank you, Church and Families.
Julie Robinson, Preschool Director

Preschool Staff: Jenene Nellenbach, Yvette Bumgarner, Jamie Thornburg, Colleen Fox, Madigan Gioscio and Ginger Doub

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:

*Brent & *Peggy Rudisill; Donna, Lisa & Mary Rudisill; Lori Schulze; Jacob Scott; Guynell Sears; and Dolores Setzer.



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

Dottie Harris - The Addison of Lincolnton
440 Salem Church Road
Lincolnton, NC 28092

Nell Johnson Kingston Residence
904 2nd Street NE, Apt. 109
Hickory, NC 28601
(828) 328-9962 - landline
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Rick Parker - Catawba Valley Living at
Rock Barn (Room 107)
4174 Shook Road
Claremont, NC 28610
(828) 381-4988 - Rick's cell
(828) 381-7328 - Linda's cell

John & Betsy Hemmings, 2537 Birdie Lane
Conover, NC 28613
(828) 459-9444

Lee & Betty Moritz, 103 County Home Road
Conover, NC 28613
(828) 464-3383

Dolores Setzer PO Box 1237
Conover, NC 28613
(828) 256-1421

Glenna Sherrill, 2038 North Deal Avenue
Newton, NC 28658
(828) 464-1874

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

IN OUR Thoughts and Prayers

Revonda Mae Lail Matthews, age 84 of Conover passed away on Thursday, May 12, 2022 at her residence.

A service to celebrate Revonda's life will be held on Wednesday, May 18, 2022 at 1:00pm in the chapel of Bennett Funeral Service in Newton. Rev. Dr. Ed Yount will officiate. Burial will follow at Catawba Memorial Park in Hickory. The family will receive friends prior to the service from 12:00-12:45pm in the Chapel.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Richard, Robert, Mike, Kelly, Laci, Haley and the family during this difficult time.

MEMORIAL General Fund

In memory of Clegg Johnson by:
Tommi & Charlie Anderson

WOMEN'S TEA PARTY

Ladies met in the CFLC this past Sunday to enjoy fellowship, tea and treats. Pearls, hats and fascinators were a sight to behold! Jean Slate did a beautiful presentation on tea pots and women in the Bible. Thank you Jean! We had four families that had three generations in attendance. And yes, for those who asked, we will do so again next year.

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you, to all the ladies and John, Michael and Ken for working so hard to make this event a success. It was wonderful to work alongside you.

Pastor Charmaine



NEWS TO USE

THANK YOU FROM ECCCM

Dear friends,
Thank you for all you do for ECCCM! It is only through dedicated volunteers like you that we are able to provide a hand up to those in need! You all are greatly appreciated!

Sincerely,

Becca Bleich,
ECCCM Board Member



PASTOR'S QUIZ

When the resurrected Jesus stood among His apostles, the methods He used to persuade them that He was not a spirit did not include

- a. urging them to regard His hands and feet
- b. healing one of the bystanders who had leprosy
- c. inviting them to handle Him, since a spirit has not flesh and bones
- d. asking them for something to eat, and eating it

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

GODLY PLAY

Our very first FULL SESSION of Godly Play will be presented on May 29th. Children PreK - 5th grade will leave the sanctuary with Pastor Charmaine after the children's message. The session is a full hour so children will be dismissed to their Sunday school classes. Parents, please plan to attend, your child(ren) will thank you!

Pastor Charmaine

STEWARDSHIP REPORTS

By Our Presence May 15, 2022
Sunday School
82

Worship:	
8:45am Service	98
11:00am Service	72
Live streaming	45
Total	<u>215</u>

God's Tithe & Our Gifts

General Fund \$ 9,902.00
(Needed weekly for budget: \$13,609)

Children's Bank	8.00
Total	<u>\$ 9,910.00</u>

!!!REMEMBER!!!

This coming Sunday, May 22nd is
YOUTH SUNDAY.
Sunday school: 9:30
ONE SERVICE at 10:30 in the CFLC (the 'gym')

THOSE WITH A 'CHARTER.NET' EMAIL ADDRESS.....

If you have an email address that ends in 'charter.net' please follow these steps in order to receive email from the church.

1. Sign in to Spectrum Email
2. Select the 'Settings' tab (at top)
3. Select 'Filters & Blocked Senders' (left)
4. Under 'Safe Senders', add fumcc@fumcconover.org

Taking these steps should allow you to receive email from the church. For some reason, Spectrum was blocking out the church's email address as spam.

Thanks to Steve Danner for investigating this problem and finding a solution. If you are still not receiving emails or the weekly Newsletter, please contact the church office.



RECYCLE OLD PUBLICATIONS

Please place your used Upper Room or other Christian books to be recycled in the container marked "Upper Room" in the upstairs hallway beside the water fountain or in the Common Area where you pick up your new "Upper Rooms".

Thank you,
Laurette Rheeder

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Answer to this week's Pastor's Quiz:

b. healing one of the bystanders who had leprosy
(Luke 24:36-43)