

**An Order for the Christian Worship of God
April 29, 2018
Enter to Worship, Depart to Serve**

5th Sunday of Easter

Liturgical Color: White

Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" -M. Thomas

*Processional Hymn "Be Thou My Vision" UMH # 451

*Passing of the Peace
Time with the Children

(All children under 12 years are invited to the front. Afterwards, during second service only, children ages 3 thru kindergarten are invited to children's church and will be escorted to room #113. Parents may pick them up there after the service.)

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

*Hymn of Preparation "Standing on the Promises" UMH # 374

Scripture Reading Mark 10: 17-27 # 878

*Affirmation of Faith "The Apostles' Creed" UMH # 881

*Gloria Patri **"Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen."**

The Anthem "Precious Lord" *The Chancel Choir*

The Giving of Tithes & Offerings
Offertory "Gentle Shepherd" -K. Keil

*The Doxology **"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen"** UMH # 95

*Offertory Prayer

Prayer of Illumination (in unison)

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of Your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what You say to us this day. Amen.

Scripture Reading Zechariah 8: 1-9 # 823

Sermon "Sweat, Sand and Cow Patties" Rev. Randy Madsen

*Hymn of Commitment "My Hope Is Built" UMH # 368

*Benediction

*The Recessional "Irish Blessing"
May the road rise to meet you; May the wind blow at your back;
May the sun shine warmly on your face; May the rain fall softly on your field.
And until we meet again, until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of His hand. Amen

*Chiming of the Trinity

*Postlude "Voluntary in G" -J. Stanley

*indicates worshippers are invited to stand, if able

Invitation to Newcomers: Those desiring to unite with our congregation of First UMC in membership are encouraged to signify this on the attendance pad, on a visitor card and/or contact one of our Pastors. We are thankful to have newcomers and your presence here in church.

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The flowers are placed on the altar today to the Glory of God  
in thanksgiving for the life of Mary Ellen Black,  
given by Alan, Anna, Emma Scott and Lofton Livingston.  
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Stewardship ~ Ways to Give

Regular Tithes and Offerings through the **Sunday Morning Offering.**

Electronic Debit Giving: The card reader is now available in the lobby. Touch any key to begin and then follow the posted directions. **Be sure to leave a receipt with your name printed on it in the locked black receptacle.**

This is the only way your offering can be posted to your contribution records. A second receipt is also offered for your personal convenience.



Also takes Discover, American Express & Apple Pay.

Direct Draft Giving is now available for free: We are now offering the opportunity for automatic draft from your bank to our bank, Clover Community Bank. Please pick up and/or hand in your authorization for Direct Draft form from Shirley in the office, or put in the offering plate. This method has proven to be an effective and timely way to regularly give to the church. "I am an electronic giver" cards are in the pews for your use if you choose to use this method of giving.

Giving On-Line: Giving to FUMC is now available online through our website: www.cloverfumc.org.

Thanks for your support of the mission and ministry of FUMC.

If you decide to give electronically or through Direct Draft, please feel free to drop an "Electronic Giver" card in the offering plate on Sundays as an act of worship.

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- Reverend Tommy Wilkes, Senior Pastor – twilkes@cloverfumc.org
 - Reverend Meg Wilkes, Associate Minister – mwilkes@cloverfumc.org
 - Reverend J. Richard Gibson, Pastor Emeritus
 - Jon Valentine, Director of Children & Youth Ministries – jvalentine@cloverfumc.org
 - Cathy Allen, BIG/Tweens Coordinator – cmallen217@gmail.com
 - Cheri King, Director of Music Ministries – cking@cloverfumc.org
 - Christine Payseur, Church Business / Technical Coordinator – cpayseur@cloverfumc.org
 - Shirley M. Davis, Administrative Assistant / Financial Secretary – sdavis@cloverfumc.org
 - Natasha Bilousova, Pianist
 - Nannette Carnes, Organist
 - Tracie Kite, Sexton – kitrtracie@hotmail.com
 - Hope Long, Nursery
 - Windy Bartee, Lay Leader
 - Ray Reavis, Bob Grindle, Renee Gallien, Conference Lay Members
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Wonderful Wednesday Dinner, May 2
Menu: Lasagna, Salad, Bread and Dessert
Sponsored by: FUMC Staff

Name _____ No. _____

OUR JOYS AND PRAYER CONCERNS

Contact pastors or Shirley Davis @ 222-3496 or sdavis@cloverfumc.org to add to joy and prayer concerns:

Recent Concerns: Barb Millay, Lee Killian, Kandy Hanzely (Todd Hughes' sister), Sandy Chapman, Josie Skinnell, Jane Stang, Fred Byers, Tom Meyer, Anne Adams, Brad Robinson, Tommy Crawford, Marshall Caldwell, Carolyn Grigg, Wayne Leroy, Dave Blanton, Rolfe Sukkert.

Note of Sympathy: Christian sympathy is extended to Linda Lowman and family in the death of her sister.

Military: Captain Thad Wilson, Lt. Col. Nicholas S. Hare, Major Blair Preston, 2nd Lt. Rion Cartin, LCPL Chris Propst, M.Gy. Sgt. Terry Kenneth Lowman, Jr.

TODAY – District Bible Fair- here at FUMC, 2-5pm. Ages 4yrs – 6th grade. Food, fun, songs, crafts, stories, snacks & more!

Green River Plantation Trip on May 3rd

We have 30 people going on the Green River Plantation Trip on Thursday, May 3rd. If you plan to ride on or follow the bus **be at the church by 9:20am. The bus will leave the church at 9:30.** We will have lunch I the Plantation Gate House at 11:30 and then tour the plantation house. After our tour, we can visit a winery (maybe 2).

United Methodist Men Spring Retreat

The UMM will once again have our Spring Retreat on May 4th, 5th and 6th at Lake Murray. We will go down on the afternoon of May 4th, fish/golf on Saturday, May 5th, and return on Sunday morning. If someone needs to arrive for just part of the time, we would still love to have you for whatever time you can spend. The retreat is designed for relaxation, recreation, getting to know each other better and spiritual recharging. Aside from our daily devotionals, there will be plenty of time for fishing, golfing, eating (of course) and just enjoying the beauty of God's world. The cost of the retreat is \$75.00. If you would like to participate, please contact me, Tommy Wilkes, Johnny Adams or any of the Methodist Men. Sam Cain, UMM President.

Marriage Date Night – S'mores N More Saturday, May 5th at 7:00pm at the Dubiski's home. Join us for a fun, outdoor evening gathered around the fire pit, to play some lawn games and enjoy fellowship. Please bring a dessert item to share. Childcare will be available at the church. RSVP to Geoff and Francine at smileanddial@earthlink.net or 518-281-2274. **Will be canceled in the event of rain.**

Memorial Day Flags

We would like to honor all veterans who died while serving our country on this Memorial Day, May 28, 2018. Flags will be available on the table near the volunteer office from May 20 to May 28. As you place your flags at the bricks in the Memorial Park, remember your loved one and their service and sacrifice for us all. We will collect the flags on May 31st for future use. Thank you for your help celebrating this national holiday.

The Food Project Ministry: Next week's 1st Sunday donation is spaghetti sauce. Thank you for your continued support.

Youth, Children and Tweens

Youth: Jr. High Youth – 6:00pm Sr. High Youth – 7:00pm

Our Wednesday night programs: BIG (children) and Tweens at 6:30pm / Youth Fellowship at 6:30.

Upcoming Children's Event! Mark your calendars now!

Summer VBS –Sunday-Thursday, July 8-12. Travel to Babylon! See Daniel's Courage in Captivity! 5:00- 8:00pm. See announcement on Children's Board in hallway.

If you haven't already, text [1clovermyf](tel:95577) to 95577 for text reminders!!

Contact Jon Valentine for information about youth ministries at FUMC, jvalentine@cloverfumc.org

You're Invited to Open House at The Wrays ~ Sunday, May 20, 2018 Drop In 2:00—5:00pm.
5039 Jenkins Farm Road, Blacksburg, SC 29702 *NO GIFTS PLEASE*

Trip to Festival of Wisdom & Grace – August 13-16

Lake Junaluska Conference & Retreat Center

Price: \$374.00 per adult staying 2 adults to a room, \$575.00 per adult staying 1 adult to a room

First payment of \$200.00 and your registration form are due on or before April 26, 2018

Second payment (for 2 adults to a room) of \$174.00 is due on or before May 29, 2018

Make checks out to FUMC Forever Young

On the for / memo line write Wisdom and Grace trip

Checks & Registration form to the church office or in the offering plate in an envelope.

Included: 3 nights lodging at the Terrace, 8 meals, all scheduled activities.

List: Names will be added to the list when first payment is received.

More information and registration forms are on the "sign-up table". Please fill out the complete form including circling Workshops you would like to attend. Junaluska's cancellation policy is on the registration form.

Asbury Hills Summer Camp: Remember to register soon for Asbury Hills Summer Camp! Please take a flier from the Church Lobby for information about camping dates and contacting Asbury Hills! Camp is for ages 2nd grade through high school! If cost are prohibitive for your family, talk with Rev. Meg Wilkes. The church is able to support our campers with a portion of the cost, and Asbury Hills also provides needs based scholarships. Go to asburyhills.org to check out the many adventures there and the spiritual growth opportunity for young people! This year's theme is **Defy Fear! (Mark 5:36)** We will have a wonderful Wednesday Meal on May 9th to help cover some of the expenses for our campers. Pick your date, register NOW, and let me know if the church can help you!
mwilkes@cloverfumc.org 803-222-3496 ext.17

Salkehatchie Registration: It is time to sign up for camp! If you desire, the church missions committee will pay one half. You will need to register yourself on line, mark the camp you wish to attend and mark that the payment will be made by the church. Please make a check payable to FUMC for \$ 115.00 and mark for Salkehatchie. The full payment will be sent in by the church. If you have questions please see Jon Valentine, Jeannette Stabler or Rev. Tommy Wilkes.

It's GRADUATION TIME! PARENTS: Please lend us your support...

We look forward to honoring YOUR 2018 graduate!!

On May 20th the Higher Education Team will sponsor a graduation breakfast for **High School AND College graduates** and their families during the Sunday school hour at 9:45am. We will also acknowledge our graduates in Worship on that Sunday **at 11:00.**

We need *this* FROM YOU:

- 1) Your graduate's name (whether or not you are able to be present that day)
- 2) Your graduate's after school plans or interests.....
- 3) Your graduate's photos (one baby, one from the midyears, one current)
- 4) Your RSVP and a head count for who in your family will attend the breakfast!

WE COULD MISS YOUR GRADUATE IF YOU DON'T CHECK IN WITH US!! And that will make us sad - and maybe them too. We keep records the best we can, but *we depend on parents to help us.* Below is our current list: If your student's name is not here and you would like for them to be honored by the church with prayers, recognition, the breakfast, and/or their gift, please contact Rev. Meg Wilkes mwilkes@cloverfumc.org or call Shirley Davis, church secretary, and leave a message with her @ 222-3496.WILL YOU DO THIS RIGHT AWAY PLEASE? Thanks so much!
If any of you know of someone not listed who is a member of this church and should be included, please contact Rev. Meg ASAP.

<u>High school</u>		<u>College</u>	
Logan Pierzinski	Linzie Gregory	Taylor Wilson	Davis McCarter
Hannah Burton	Rebecca Eleazer	Andrea Conner	Katelyn Curtin
Jessica Killian	Tiffany English	Ryan Crawford	Adam Edmunds
Jeremie Connor	John Austin King		
Kaitlyn Robinson	Brody Green		

Mother's Day Carnations: A special flower arrangement will be placed on the altar on Mother's Day. You may place a red carnation in honor of or a white carnation in memory of your loved ones for \$ 2.00 each. Any additional money collected beyond the cost of the carnations will go to our General Fund. To purchase a flower(s) place this form, with payment attached, in the offering plate or return to the church office no later than **May 8th**.

Your name _____

In Honor _____

In Memory _____