

**An Order for the Christian Worship of God
August 5 2018
Enter to Worship, Depart to Serve**

UMW Sunday

12th Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgical Color: Red

Welcome and Announcements
The Prelude

*Call to Worship

Leader: We shall see a new heaven and earth, for the old will pass away.
People: We shall see a new Jerusalem, the holy city descending from heaven.
 Leader: The city shall need no sun or moon, for God's glory will be its light,
People: For God's Lamb will be its lamp, and by its light the nations shall walk.
 Leader: We shall hear a loud voice from the throne:
People: "Behold, God's dwelling is with mortals. Indeed, God will dwell with them and they will be God's people".
 Leader: God shall wipe away all our tears, and there shall be no more death.
People: Mourning, crying, and pain shall cease, for all former things will pass away.
 Leader: We shall hear One speak from the throne:
People: "Behold, I make all things new, I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end"

*Processional Hymn "Blessed Assurance" UMH # 369

*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.)

Special Recognition Award and Sapphire Award

Congregational Prayers and the Lord's Prayer

*Hymn of Preparation "Because He Lives" UMH # 364

*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."**

A 17th Century Reading A Reading from the 17th Century Church
 Taken from Twenty Voices of Pentecost Celebration

Scripture Lesson Ephesians 4: 25—5:2 page # 183

The Anthem	"Soon and Very Soon"	Chancel Choir
Offertory Prayer	The Giving of Tithes & Offerings	
Offertory		
*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	
*Scripture	Luke 8: 44-48	page # 65
Message	"Who Touched Me"	Donna Lollis
*Hymn of Commitment	"He Touched Me"	UMH # 367
*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		

*indicates worshippers are invited to stand, if able

Welcome! 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. If you need more information about our church, please email one of the pastors, checkout our website or contact the church office.

The flowers are placed on the altar today to the Glory of God
 and in honor of Dennis & Evelyn Cameron's 40th Wedding Anniversary.

We are happy to have Donna Lollis, Director of Killingsworth, with us this morning. Killingsworth is a transition home for women in crisis. Their ministry is to support, empower, and advocate for women recovering from crisis within a safe, nurturing Christian environment. In addition to room and board, they offer counseling and education, spiritual development, job development and work support, life-skills training, and community re-orientation. Donna is married to Rev. Chris Lollis, a former Associate Pastor of First UMC and they have a daughter, Sarah. Welcome, Lollis Family, back to First UMC.

OUR JOYS AND PRAYER CONCERNS

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

Recent Concerns: Glennie Adams, (Faye Brown's mother), Andrew Brunson, Janet Maslankowski, Barb Millay, Sandy Chapman, Marshall Caldwell, Sarah McElwee, Sara Neil, Lynn Cameron, Tammy Bailes, Lee Killian, Wiggle Featherman (Windy Bartee's friend), Deidre Hatchard (Daryl Pierzinski's sister), Sylvia Price, Betsy Durrant, Josie Skinnell, Jane Stang, Fred Byers, Tom Meyer, Brad Robinson, Wayne Leroy, Rolfe Sukkert.

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 is UMW Sunday and we have Donna Lollis with us as our speaker.

A covered dish lunch will follow the 11AM service.

Everyone is invited to attend the lunch and visit with Donna, Chris and Sarah.

United Methodist Women PURPOSE

The organized unit of the United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of missions through participation in the global ministries of the church.

UMW Meetings 1st Sunday of January, March, May, August, October and December.~ 12:15pm

Three Circles Esther Circle ~ second Monday of each month 10:00am

Martha Circle ~ second Monday of each month 7:00pm

Rebekah Circle ~ second Tuesday of each month 7:00pm

Acolyte Training is open to anyone 5th grade and older. Another Level 1 training will be held **Thursday, August 16th from 10 a.m to 12 noon.** If you are interested in being trained to serve in this important area of the church, or if you have questions, please call or email Judy Miller. Cell Phone number is 803-322-8385 or home 222-3397. Email address is judycmiller@carolina.rr.com. Thank you for your interest.

Marriage Date Night: August 25th – Bunco for the Food Project

Let the good times roll! We will get together at 6pm at the Dubiski's home for a night of games, food, laughter and fellowship. The "cost" of admission is four items for the food project. Don't worry if you've never played before, as long as you can roll dice and count you will be fine! Please bring a dish to share for dinner. Free childcare will be available at the church. Please RSVP to Geoff and Francine Dubiski at smileanddial@earthlink.net or 518-281-2274.

The Forever Young & Friends will meet on Thursday, August 23rd, at 10:30 in room 104. We will be discussing plans for fall and the upcoming Yard Sale. After the meeting we will go out to eat at a local restaurant.

Youth, Children and Tweens

Hey everyone, Summer is coming to an end...☹

Never to fear we have a few more Summer activities ahead!!

Youth: Wednesday, 6:30pm

August 15th – Cookout at Abernathy House – Be at Abernathy house at 7pm for hot dogs, games and a movie to close the summer!

Saturday, August 18th – Family Mission opportunity at FUMC Food Give Away

Meet at church 9:---10:--am to assist with monthly food giveaway.

If you haven't already, text 1clovermyf to 95577 for text reminders!!

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

York/Clover Cluster Senior Dinner on September 29th from 4pm to 6pm @ Mt. Vernon UMC Forever Young & Friends is going to the York/Clover United Methodist Cluster for a Senior Dinner on **Saturday, September 29th** at Mt Vernon UMC (2160 Smithford Rd., Hickory, Grove, SC). The event is from **4:00pm – 6:00pm**. There will be **FOOD, MUSIC, PRIZES, and lots of FELLOWSHIP**. We need to RSVP by September 18th, so put your name on the sheet at our usual "sign-up table". If you plan to ride or follow the bus, be at the church by 3:00, we will leave at 3:15. **There is no cost.**

Fall Yard Sale Week is September 30 – October 6!

The Turkey Extravaganza is on Saturday, October 6!

CAN YOU BELIEVE IT IS ALMOST THAT TIME AGAIN!?!

Start gathering those treasures you don't want any more to donate to the Yard Sale. Remember all profits from the Fall Yard Sale are used for a need of the church.

We need lots of help. Any time you can give is greatly appreciated. We have many different kinds of jobs and ways you can help. *Note – We are unable to accept mattresses, box springs and TVs.

If you are not receiving church emails please call the church office. Recently updated emails were lost because of a computer problem.

The Food Project Ministry: Next week's 3rd Sunday donation is dried beans. Thank you for your continued support.

If you would like to follow John Austin King and read about his Europe music trip, here is the link to his blog: johnaustinseuropeadventure.wordpress.com

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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Ray Reavis, Bob Grindle, Renee Gallien – Conference Lay Members
