

**An Order for the Christian Worship of God
August 26, 2018
Enter to Worship, Depart to Serve**

14th Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgical Color: Red

Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

*Call to Worship "One Voice"

*Processional Hymn "I'll Fly Away" FWS # 2282

*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.)

Mission Moment from God's Kitchen

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

A 19th Century Reading A Reading from the 19th Century Church
Taken from Twenty Voices of Pentecost Celebration

Psalter Psalm 96 with response UMH # 815

The Anthem "Seek Ye First" 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

Sermon "Sharing Through Worship and Song" Rev. Tommy Wilkes

*Hymn of Commitment "Just a Closer Walk with Thee" FWS # 2158

*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.

2018 Financial Update

Needed to meet General Fund Budget as of 7/31/18 **\$ 367,084**
Actual General Fund Spending as of 7/31/18 **\$ 343,043**
Received for General Fund as of 7/31/18 **\$ 321,343**

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.



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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 “

OUR JOYS AND PRAYER CONCERNS

Contact pastors or Shirley Davis @ 222-3496 or sdavis@cloverfumc.com to add to or remove joy and prayer concerns:
Recent Concerns: Marie Baker, Glennie Adams, (Faye Brown’s mother), Andrew Brunson, Barb Millay, Sandy Chapman, Marshall Caldwell, Sarah McElwee, Sara Neil, Lynn Cameron, Wiggie Featherman (Windy Barte’s friend), Deidre Hatchard (Daryl Pierzinski’s sister), Betsy Durrant, Josie Skinnell, Jane Stang, Fred Byers, 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.

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.**

Thank you:

The Killian Family would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, visits, gifts of food, and kind thoughts during Joe’s illness and his passing. We are thankful to each of you for the memorials and continued prayers as we move forward without Joe. We love this caring Church and appreciate all of you.
With thanks and love, *The Killian Family*

New Member Connection Class (6 Sundays)

September 16th- October 21st at 9:50am-10:50am in room 103

This class is designed as a brief Adult “New Member’s Connection Class” with some History of the Church and United Methodist Church, Some Beliefs/ Theology of our Heritage, Liturgical Year/ Sacraments and Symbols of the Faith/ Missions and Outreach and a brief overview of Development and Present Day Ministries of First United Methodist Church of Clover. This course will be led by our Sr. Pastor, Rev. Tommy Wilkes. There is no charge for this course.



Feel free to attend this course for the first time as a new member, someone interested in knowing more about the church and/or faith or as a refresher course in Faith and Church.

Register by emailing sdavis@cloverfumc.org or signing up through the bulletin’s tear out or on the sign up sheet located beside the elevator.

Name _____ Phone# _____

Email address: _____

Youth, Children and Tweens

Youth: Wednesday, 6:30pm

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

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

Forever Young & Friends Flat Rock Playhouse Trip

Thursday, November 15, 2018 for the 2:00 performance of

The Hound of the Baskervilles by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle

Cost of the trip will be \$34.00 (FY & F is covering \$5.00 of the A Group Sales tickets' price of \$39.00).

We need over 10 people going to get the group rate.

Full payment of \$34.00 is due on or before September 13. This is to assure we get good seats.

You can turn your payment into the church office or place in the collection plate. Make checks out to FUMC-FY & F and write Flat Rock Trip on the memo line. People riding on or following the bus please be at the church at 8:30 ready to go. We will park in downtown Hendersonville to shop and eat. Delores is making a list of restaurants so people can pick one they like.

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.

Holiday / Winter Festival of Tables

Interest has been expressed to have a onetime Holiday/Winter Festival of Tables. December 1, 2018 is the date reserved. If you would like to reserve and decorate a table, please contact Linda Abernathy at 222-7591 or Grace White at 222-7528. Tickets, \$8.00 each, available for sale through November 5th.

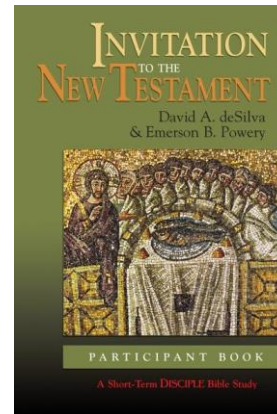
If you are not receiving church emails please call the church office. Recently updated emails were lost because of a computer problem.

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

Invitation to the New Testament

A Short-Term DISCIPLE Bible Study offering at FUMC

Sign Up will be Next Week ~



Tentatively on Monday Nights at 6:30pm

Taught by Rev. Tommy Wilkes

1. Jesus Calls Us Into God's Redemption Story
2. Jesus Calls Us to a Transformed Life
3. Jesus Calls Us to Minister to a Hostile World
4. Jesus Calls Us to Complex Communities of Faith
5. Jesus Calls Us to Serve One Another
6. Jesus Calls Us to a New Relationship With Tradition
7. Jesus Calls Us to Live in Light of His Coming Again
8. Jesus Calls Us to Experience the Gifts of His Dying and Rising

Paul told the early church folks to **“work out [their] own salvation with fear and trembling.”** (Philippians 2:12)

Jesus says.....**“You shall love the Lord your God with *all your heart*, and with *all your soul*, and with *all your strength*, and with *all your mind*; and your neighbor as yourself.”** (Luke 10:27)

Isaiah teaches us, **“Come now, and let us reason together, says the Lord.”** (Isaiah 1:18)

The Enneagram is an empowering tool for “working out” our salvation...(*with fear and trembling!*) by showing us how to take hard and honest look at ourselves, to recognize our “growing edges,” acknowledge “the better angels of our nature,” and help us to discover how we are either stagnating or becoming our best selves for Christ..... *heart, soul, strength and mind*. As we study our human nature we are using *God's gift of reason and loving God with our minds*.

If you are interested in learning more about being your best self and being a good neighbor, you may be interested in this 4 week introductory study of The Enneagram. We will take the RHETI (Riso-Hudson Enneagram Type Indicator) as a part of our time together.

Contact Rev. Meg Wilkes, *Associate Minister of Spiritual Formation* to inquire. 803-622-1315

