

**An Order for the Christian Worship of God**  
**October 7, 2018**  
**Enter to Worship, Depart to Serve**  
**World Communion Sunday**

**20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**Liturgical Color: White**

Pre Service "Open My Eyes"

Welcome and Announcements

\*Worship Threshold  
 \*Singing Response: "I am the Bread of Life, I am The Bread of Life  
 Come and Be Fed, Whoever Believes,  
 I am the Bread of Life"

\*Processional Hymn "Take Our Bread" UMH # 640

\*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 the Lord's Prayer

Greetings and Presentation from Rock Hill District Superintendent, Rev. Joe Long

The Anthem "A Place at the Table" Chancel Choir

\*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."***

\*Scripture Luke 22: 19-20 (English, Polish, Spanish) page 81

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

\*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 Matthew 7: 15-20, Luke 13: 6-9 page 7

Homily "Instruments of God" Rev. Tommy Wilkes

Prayer of Confession and Great Thanksgiving page 12

Sacrament of Holy Communion page 17 (Responses to be sung)

*We will serve communion at the altar rail this morning. Those unable to kneel may stand at the altar or have the pastors bring it to them. The ushers will direct the congregation, one side at a time, from the outer aisle for communion. After the table dismissals, people may return to their seats by the inner aisle.*

"Let Us Break Bread Together" #618; "Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed" #359;  
 "Remember Me" #491; "Fill My Cup, Lord" #641; "How Great Thou Art" #77

\*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 "We Know That Christ Is Raised" -arr. Wood

\*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.

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 The flowers are placed on the altar today to the Glory of God  
 and in loving memory of Virginia and Jimmy Jackson,  
 given by Louise Jackson  
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**STEWARDSHIP SCRIPTURE** "He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God." 2 Corinthians 9: 10-12

2018 Financial Update

Needed to meet General Fund Budget as of 8/31/18	\$ 419,523
Actual General Fund Spending as of 8/31/18	\$ 383,066
Received for General Fund as of 8/31/18	\$ 361,546

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.com](http://www.cloverfumc.com).

**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.**

Reverend Tommy Wilkes, Senior Pastor – [twilkes@cloverfumc.com](mailto:twilkes@cloverfumc.com)

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Reverend J. Richard Gibson, Pastor Emeritus

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Hope Long, Nursery

Windy Bartee – Lay Leader

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

Wednesday Night Meal, October 10 sponsored by the Cub Scouts

Menu: Pork/Beef Pasta Bake, Caesar Salad & Dessert

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_

**OUR JOYS AND PRAYER CONCERNS**

Please Note: Contact pastors or Shirley Davis @ 222-3496 or [sdavis@cloverfumc.com](mailto:sdavis@cloverfumc.com) to add to or remove from the joy and prayer concerns:

**Recent Concerns:** Sandy Chapman, Joyce Shores, Gary Biggers, Melissa Holland (friend of Jon & Olivia Valentine), Pamela Reid (8 year old battling cancer), Grissom children, Carolyn Grigg, Anne Adams, Dick Caldwell, Glenn Carter, Lucian Scott Carothers, Marie Baker, Jim Owen, Leah - Devin Pierzinski's friend, Glennie Adams, (Faye Brown's mother), Andrew Brunson, Sarah McElwee, Sara Neil, Lynn Cameron, Wiggie Featherman (Windy Bartee'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, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Rion Cartin, LCPL Chris Propst, M.Gy. Sgt. Terry Kenneth Lowman, Jr.

**Welcome new member:** Laura Stanton joins the membership of First UMC by letter of transfer. We welcome Laura and her daughter Eliza into their new church family. Their address is 17 Briarcliff Drive, Greenville, SC 29607.

**The UMW General Meeting** is today at 12:15 in the Missions & Fellowship Center. Please bring food to share for lunch.

**Nurture bags** are on the table in the lobby area for you to remember our Nurture members with cards, notes etc. The bags will be available until Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Beach Trip Update:** Our trip to Dayton House Resort in Myrtle Beach had to be postponed due to Hurricane Florence. We are now going the week of October 8-11, 2018. Please **be at the church at 8:45am** on Monday, October 8 if you plan to ride or follow the Bus. **Check in time is 3:00pm.** When you arrive see Suzanne Thompson (704-860-3025) for your room key. If possible on **Monday wear a green shirt** for the day and/or to dinner. If you have a Methodist shirt of any color, it would be great to wear it another day during the trip. We find our T-shirts are a great form of witness.

**Esther Circle** will meet Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 in the Steve Camp classroom. Sue Gover is presenting the program. Please bring warm clothing to give away to those who need it. Canned goods are also needed for our monthly food giving. After the meeting, we will clean our part of the kitchen: stainless steel shelves, the drawers and the freezer. If you need a ride please let us know. If you do not belong to a circle, we would love to have you visit. Thanks, Windy Bartee 803-222-7533

**Rebekah Circle** will meet Tuesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm at the home of Melva Jones. If you wish, we will meet at the church 25 minutes till 7:00 to carpool to Melva's. Thank you, Grace

**Martha Circle** will meet Monday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00pm at the home of Delores Vanhook.

**The Food Project Ministry:** Next week's 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday donation is breakfast items: cereal, grits, pancake and syrup or oatmeal. Thank you for your continued support.

### Youth, Children and Tweens

**Youth on Sundays!** Jr High at 6:00pm, Sr High at 7:00pm  
**Wednesday Night Youth** at 6:30pm

**OCT. 12<sup>TH</sup>** ~ Youth is having our 5<sup>th</sup> Quarter. Food, games and fellowship after the game this Friday! Bring a friend! Students are to meet at the church after the Game! 5<sup>th</sup> Quarter ends at Midnight!

**OCT. 14<sup>TH</sup>** ~ There will be a Darkness to Light Training following the 11:00 service. This is for all people who wish to be Safe Sanctuary Certified. Anyone who is in need of Safe Sanctuary renewal, THIS IS A MANDATORY ELEMENT OF THE TRAINING. This training will take approximately 2 hours. A lunch will be provided. Please RSVP with [jvalentine@cloverfumc.com](mailto:jvalentine@cloverfumc.com)

**OCT. 27<sup>TH</sup>** ~ The Youth will be going to Scarowinds on Saturday, Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>. Admission is free to those with a season pass and those without a pass are encouraged to pre purchase tickets online for \$37.00. If you need assistance contact Jon by October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Our Fall Festival is Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>! 6:30pm to 8:30pm.**

We will have a Wonderful Wednesday meal and following the meal our festival will begin! Games, fun and fellowship. This year we are having a decorating contest for our trick or treat area. Any group, family, Sunday school class, or individual can enter. There is a \$100 prize for the best decorated Trick or Treat station! See Jon for details.

**WE ALSO NEED YOUR HELP!** We need Candy donations and cakes for our cake walk as well as volunteers for Games and Clean Up! Again, see Jon for details. Thank you!

BIG (Believers in God 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade  
Lil' BIG (PreK – K)  
Tweens (4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> graders)

**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](mailto:jvalentine@cloverfumc.com).

**Marriage Date Night – October 20<sup>th</sup>** Bring your sweetie out for a Haunted History Tour of Charlotte and dinner in Uptown at Vapiano's. We will meet at the church at 4:30pm to ride into Uptown for dinner and then head out for a walking tour. The tour is \$15 per person and **MUST** be booked beforehand by calling 704-699-7959 or booking online at [carolinahistoryandhaunts.com](http://carolinahistoryandhaunts.com). Make sure you book the 7:00pm tour for Charlotte! This tour will sell out so if you want to come please don't wait to book. Please also RSVP with Geoff and Francine Dubiski at [smileanddial@earthlink.net](mailto:smileanddial@earthlink.net) or texting 518-281-2274. Free childcare will be available at the church.

**TECHNOLOGY WORKSHOP LOCATION:** Clover Public Library **DATE & TIME:** Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm

To get Technology Help **bring your laptop, cell phone, I pad/tablet, etc. to the Clover Library on Wednesday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**. There will be a presentation and a chance for some small group/individual help. Also, you will be able to schedule a time to get individual or small group help on Wednesdays, October 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. **Forever Young & Friends will meet at the Clover Library on October 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:55 for the workshop.**

### **Appalachian Christmas at Lake Junaluska – December 7-9, 2018**

**Final payment of \$302 is due** on or before **Thursday, October 25** for the people who have already registered. If you are interested in more information or to register for a room call 800-222-4930 or go to [www.lakejunaluska.com](http://www.lakejunaluska.com). There is still space on the bus.

**On Sunday, October 21** our Worship Team and the Nurture Committee are sponsoring a **CELEBRATION of OUR ELDERS**, all members **AGES 80's and 90's!** We will have a special time during the 11:00 Worship service to honor these, our beloved saints, and will follow up with a COVERED DISH for all in the Missions and Fellowship Center. We have been excited planning this important celebration. We will be sending invitations and contacting families as well as posting the reminders in the bulletin and newsletter. We are visiting with our home bound senior adults and talking about the celebration.

Here is what we need from YOU, the CONGREGATION:

1. PLEASE ~ Help US continue to identify all members ages 80 and above and particularly those who have already turned 90! **CONTACT SHIRLEY** in the church office to see our working list and add others who we might not realize have turned 80 or 90. 222-3496

2. PLEASE ~ **Plan to be present and to BRING a COVERED DISH so that none of our honorees will have to cook!**

3. PLEASE ~ BE SURE YOUR OWN 80's and 90's FAMILY AND FRIENDS know about the celebration and help to get these dear folks here to church on that day if they need transportation and support.

FINALLY - Please be supportive about this Celebration. Do your part to encourage and participate. Many people have appreciated that we would like to HONOR OUR ELDERS and we need everyone to continue in a spirit of support and love to make it a wonderful shared experience!

**REMEMBER our 80 and up members are REAL DOERS in this congregation! BUT THIS IS ONE THING FOR SURE THAT THE REST OF US NEED TO DO FOR THEM!**

**Church family, please help us to identify any others who are not listed here....the staff, nurture team and office volunteers are working hard to be sure we include everyone! Thank you.**

#### **Friends in their 80's**

Louise Jackson  
Margie McCarter  
Betty Robinson  
Anne Adams  
Jane Robinson  
Catherine Cockman  
Margaret Bowman  
Sara Neil  
Rachel Boyd

Grace White  
Dean White  
Sonny Settlemire  
Betty Ferguson  
Ed Jackson  
Bobbie Jackson  
Wade Shores  
Carolyn Turner  
Dick James

John Gossett  
Ted Bartee  
Marian Smith  
Frances Funderburk  
Eloise Mallen  
Albert Wyatt  
Dick Gibson  
Kirkie Gibson

#### **Friends in their 90's**

Lala Myers  
Ethel Pendleton  
Jim Owen  
Jim Camp  
Ella Mae Harding  
Lois Johnson

Evelyn Stanton  
Ruth Wallace  
Dick Schriefer  
Naurice Smith  
Mary Hutchison

### **Friends, we have an opening for you to serve FUMC in a VERY SIGNIFICANT way!**

Judy Miller will be turning over her Altar Guild duties as Acolyte Coordinator as we enter 2019. Someone with a love for worship and for the beauty of our liturgical processions/recessions on Sunday mornings will need to take her place. Below is a list of duties for this important role in the church.

**Thank you** to Judy and to those who have been assisting with her over many, many years. (Some of these folks will continue to assist.) **Who will step up now to carry on this vital tradition intricate to the life of traditional worship in our congregation?**

1. **Maintain the vestments.** Robes (Albs) must be mended and washed as needed. If there are black marks of burnt oil, these can be removed with Shout provided you also hand scrub the individual marks before washing. After taking care of the soiled areas including the neckline, robes can be washed on permanent press and with proper care require very little ironing.
2. Gloves need to be washed periodically. (Glove washing is needed more often than robe washing.)
3. Order (through church office) new robes, gloves, and ropes (Cintures) as needed. Right now a large robe is needed for Alan Abernathy since he carries the cross on a regular basis and has very wide shoulders. None of the robes fit him properly.
4. Fill candle lighters weekly. Be aware of extra worship services during the week i.e. funerals, weddings, or special services. OUR ALTAR STEWARDS WILL HELP WITH THIS.
5. Attend worship committee meetings – about once a quarter.
6. **Schedule** acolytes and crucifers. Presently, we are scheduling 3 months at a time using a chart kept on the computer. These schedules can be rolled over from quarter to quarter except when working in a new class of acolytes. Also, things change as seniors graduate and go off to college.
7. Maintain a robe chart so those serving can more easily find their robe for that day. This must be updated periodically as the young people grow.

**And Judy will continue training new acolytes at least once per year. THANK YOU!!**

### **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 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Optimist International Essay Contest**

This contest is divided into two levels of competition. Club level receives a medallion and District level is a plaque and \$2,500.00. This contest is open to any student under the age of 18 as of October 1, 2018. District winners must provide a copy of birth certificate or passport with the District entry documentation. Participants must write on the official topic "When All the World's Problems are Solved, Is Optimism Still Necessary". Essay must be no less than 700 and no more than 800 words. The Club contest began September 1<sup>st</sup>. Essays, copy of birth certificate and application must be sent to Clover Optimist Club, P. O. Box 199, Clover, SC 29710 or given to Josie Skinnell by December 21, 2018. Applications may be picked up from your school or contact Josie Skinnell, [sknnll@aol.com](mailto:sknnll@aol.com) or 803-684-2008. Any questions, please call 803-684-2008.

### **New Testament Bible Study Opportunity**

I hope you will consider joining us for our New Testament Overview of the Bible. this is Short Term Bible Study that will engage in the word, fellowship, a workbook and discussion. DVD and Workbook Included. Facilitator: Rev. Tommy Wilkes

**I need 10 to join us to begin the class. We now have 8.**

If we can get at least two more to sign up (on the sheet next to the Elevator) then we will begin on Monday Nights, October 15th, 6:30pm in the Library.

[ [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VpM8mE9q\\_ZY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VpM8mE9q_ZY) ]( [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VpM8mE9q\\_ZY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VpM8mE9q_ZY) ) [ [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VpM8mE9q\\_ZY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VpM8mE9q_ZY) ]( [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VpM8mE9q\\_ZY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VpM8mE9q_ZY) )

We all need to know the Holy Bible better and we need to study it in community. If you would engage with me in this thorough study of Scripture, I believe you will not only find blessing, but come to a better understanding of the New Testament Gospel.

Fun NT Bible Quiz ~

Which of the four Gospels was written specifically to the Hebrew People?

Which Gospel has two parts?

Which Gospel was written first, which one written last?

Why is the symbol for John an Eagle?

Who were the Sons of Zebedee?

Who said, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?"

What did Jesus do before he told the Pharisees, "You without sin, cast the first stone?"

Jesus said ~ "In the same measure you \_\_\_\_\_ others you will be \_\_\_\_\_."

Where did the Apostles' gather when Jesus was arrested?

How many times did the Disciples fall asleep on Jesus in that place?

Who were the three who fell asleep?

In what letter is

"I consider the things of this present world not worth comparing to the world to come?"

Can you name 4 beatitudes? Blessed are those who \_\_\_\_\_

Hope to see you in Bible Study on Mondays as we grow in God's Word Together.