

THE GOOD WORD

*A monthly newsletter of St. John's United Methodist Church
Fort Mill, South Carolina*

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PASTOR'S PAGE

Let The Work Begin

On Monday, April 26, 2021, work will begin on the replacement of the Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC) system. We will have a few interruptions, especially of events held in the sanctuary. We will keep you posted on all these changes. We will celebrate worship together for a few Sundays in the Fellowship Center. These services will be live, and you will follow the same COVID protocol we have been following since the return to worship. So, you might ask yourself, how did we get here?

Shortly after being appointed as your pastor in 2014, I became aware of some large ticket items that needed to be replaced in the coming days. Our budget was very tight at that time, and we still had several more years on our mortgage. Over the years, we have had many people to give generously to the church. At the end of 2018, we received a very generous gift that allowed us to pay off our current mortgage. Therefore, we entered 2019 without a mortgage for the first time in many years. The current air handler in the sanctuary has the date of 1965. So, we knew we needed to replace the HVAC system in the sanctuary. While celebrating paying off our mortgage, the finance committee floated the idea of trying to raise the money instead of borrowing more money. Thus, the concept of the capital campaign was birthed. So, the capital campaign committee and the trustees worked together to compile a list of needs and a funding plan. The trustees quickly had their list, which included to replace the HVAC in the sanctuary, repave the original parking lot, replace the original wooden windows in the Educational Building, widen the brick sidewalk in front of the church, renovate the Zone, repair the main stain-glass window in the sanctuary, and tuck-point the old masonry grout on the exterior walls of the sanctuary. The estimated cost was \$500,000 before bids were received.

The Capital Campaign Committee was then established to raise funds for these designated improvements by the trustees. Our members were asked to pledge to the Capital Campaign over a three-year period, above their regular pledge. The Capital Campaign Committee then organized several fundraising events to raise money in addition to the members' pledges. As you know, all of those events had to be postponed due to COVID. There will be an attempt to reschedule these events as soon as possible.

As your pastor, let me take this opportunity to thank you for the parts you have played in bringing us to the point we are now with our Capital Campaign. We can celebrate several smaller projects that have been completed. I am very excited for the work to begin and look forward to being back in the sanctuary with cool filtered air and more energy efficiency in the future.

God is Good!

Shalom, Karen



COME OUT TO OUR CAR WASH!

May 8th from 10:30 am - 1:00 pm
St. John's Youth will host a car wash
to say Thank You to our church family
for all of your support!



No Donations will be accepted

In Honor Of:

Jean Schwerin
Carla Vowell
Tom & Karen Vinson
by
Gene & Brenda Ervin

Pastor Karen Radcliffe
Mallory Capps
St. John's Children & Youth Ministry
on behalf of the Family of Charlie Powers
by
Billy & Kathy Powers
Blair & Randy Haag
Megan Powers & Bryan Sloan

Pastor Karen Radcliffe
St. John's UMC
by
Don Whelchel

Tootsie Massey
by
Larry & Linda Spinks

CHURCH FAMILY MINISTRIES

No events are scheduled at this time.
We hope everyone stays healthy and safe!

Bryan Meador
meadorbunch2001@gmail.com



May Communion Offering

Our Communion Offering for the
month of May will go to the Wesley
Foundation to support the campus
ministry at Winthrop University

CHURCH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS **JUNE-JULY-AUGUST**

Monday - Thursday
8:30 am - 2:30 pm

Closed on Friday
JUNE 4th - AUGUST 27th

We WILL resume Normal
Friday Hours: 8:30 am - 12:00 pm
on September 3rd, 2021

Have a Wonderful Summer!

Grief Support Group

May Meetings

May 5th @ 4:30 pm
May 19th @ 4:30 pm

**Everyone is to enter the building at the glass doors
on the main parking lot side.**

Temperatures will be checked upon entry.

Please wear a mask!

For questions, please contact
Frieda Price
803-367-8818
friedaprice@comporium.net

In Loving Memory

**We extend our Christian Sympathy
to the family of Jerry Griffin
who passed away on April 8, 2021**

Memorials

Jerry Griffin

by

Tom & Karen Vinson
Benny & Joyce Patterson
Lewis A. Graham, III
B. Bayles Mack
Donald & Ann Richardson
David & Carolyn Rowland
Jack Lyles
Heather M. Taylor
Betty Tysinger
Matt E. Carswell
St. John's United Methodist Women
Fred & Diana Richardson
Jean Schwerin

Lillian Boatwright

by

Larry & Linda Spinks
Don Whelchel

Special Gifts

Debi Edmondson Scholarship Fund

by

Gene and Brenda Ervin
Benny & Joyce Patterson

Memorials

Charles "Jim" Little

by

JoAnn Kane
James & Joyce Kimbrell
Joy Honeycutt
Jean Summerville
Toni & Gary Faulkenberry
Hugh McCallum

Charles "Charlie" Powers

by

Charles & Connie Morgan
Bill & Anna Bagwell
Tom & Karen Vinson
Russ & Elisabeth Williamson
Bill & Ellie Davies
Gene & Brenda Ervin
JoAnn Kane
Joy Honeycutt
Brent & Bonnie Meche
Phil & Cynthia Lewis
R.W. Edmondson
John & Renee Howard
Sandra Phillips
Fred & Judy Moore
Betty Thomas
Lisa Husband
Denis & Debbie Valloric
Kenny & Debbie Rouse
Hugh McCallum
Tim & Terry Patterson
Heather M. Taylor

Charlie Tracey

Ruth Bagnall

by

Janet Tracey

Nancy Shrine

Deb Maves

Cameron Ward

by

Don Whelchel

Jesse & Thelma Hord

by

David Hord

Thank You St. John's

There are not enough words to fully express our heartfelt thanks for the sympathy, love and support you have extended to our family during this time of loss. We will be forever grateful for your thoughts and prayers, your visits and your generosity with flowers, food and donations.

THANK YOU
from the family of
Charles Powers

Dear Members of St. John's United Methodist Church,

Thank you so much for your very generous contribution of \$100.00 received in March, 2021 to the Fort Mill Care Center. Your donation will help many families get the vital assistance they are in need of. The Fort Mill Care Center is a 501c3 tax-exempt organization.

Over the last month the Care Center provided 469 individuals with food and helped 67 families keep their utilities on. We were also able to assist 55 clients with life sustaining prescriptions and 2 with dental extractions. In addition we distributed 18,501 pounds of food!

It is with compassionate and generous people like you who enable the Care Center to continue to serve the community! We are very appreciative of your kindness.

Again, a great big THANK YOU!
Have a wonderful day!

Sincerely,

Dee, Volunteer, FMCC

Dear Church Family and Staff,

Thank you so much for all of the cards, gifts, and well wishes I received during my last days working at St. John's. I feel very blessed and loved!

I will miss seeing everyone in the church office.

Best wishes,

Kathy

Members In Our Prayers

The Family of Jerry Griffin

Bill & Lois Easter - parents of Melanie Edwards

James Hobbs - brother of Joyce Kimbrell

Robert Philson - brother-in-law of Rick Diak

Marcia Robertson - David Robertson's mother

Terry Kearns - Sara Culp's daughter

Don Price - Dave Price's father

Debbie Brown - Billie Vaughn's niece

Jo-Ann Meece - sister of Janet Tracey

Abby Lerch - daughter-in-law of

Jeff & Nancy Lerch

Jeff Maynard - brother-in-law of Nancy Rivers
(dealing with cancer)

Joan Tysinger - recovering at home from COVID
(the late Joe Tysinger's daughter-in-law)

Catherine Taylor - mother of Tom Vinson & Margaret Bryson
(in Asheville Hospital for testing)

Rev. Joe Long - Former District Superintendent
(recovering from triple by-pass surgery)

Patty Triveri - aunt of Heidi McDonald
(recovering at home with a new pace maker)

Mary Ashford - cousin of Brad McDonald
(recovering from surgery on April 23rd)

Barbara Keene - mother of Dee Gravely

Mary Bryant
Tom Vinson
Karen Vinson
Tootsie Massey
Peggy Powers
Betty Ervin
Grady Ervin
Joe Griffin
Karen Rowe
Phyllis Helms

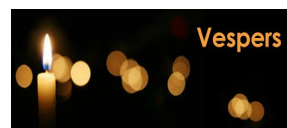


Liz Harris
April Brown
Fred Moore, Sr.
Jeanie Maret
Sara Culp
Polly Collins
Jean Schwerin
Henry Gieser
Kenny Rouse

Join Us!

Wednesday night
virtual Vespers Services!

A link for the service will be sent to you
through Constant Contact on Wednesday afternoon.



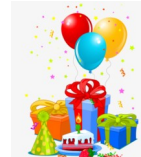
**Thank you to Anna Gilreath who did an
amazing job updating our church website!**





MAY

Birthdays & Anniversaries



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|--------|---------------------|--------|-------------------|
| May 1 | Dave Robertson | May 17 | Carla Vowell |
| | Brianne Natoli | May 18 | Zander Conrad |
| May 2 | Glory Creel | | Allison Parham |
| May 6 | R.J. Bates | | Adam Rhinehardt |
| May 7 | Logan Dickens | May 19 | Benjamin Rude |
| | Darby Johnson | May 20 | Rhett Crocker |
| May 8 | Bill Davies | | Alex Meche |
| | Stephanie Gainey | | Cole Poteet |
| | Jennifer Hardymon | | Keith Reddeck |
| | Jeannine Hillhouse | | Jake Short |
| | Debbie Jones | May 21 | Kenneth Rouse |
| | Minda Siebert | | Lonnie Shrine |
| May 9 | Carolyn Blair | | Janice Armstrong |
| | Vickie Dunn | May 22 | Charlotte Adkins |
| | Marissa Eastep | | Joe Griffin |
| | Michael Miller | May 23 | R.W. Edmondson |
| | Katelyn Fisher | | Millie Saffnauer |
| | Ned McAteer | | Larry Sweatt |
| May 10 | Jan Patterson | | Paige Williams |
| May 11 | Brent Bagwell | May 25 | Warren Anderson |
| May 12 | Harriett Bouldin | | Ryan DeRosa |
| | Jakob Gravely | May 26 | Cathy Damm |
| | Kristen Marakoff | | Alex Kinley |
| | Thomas Medlin | | George Rhinehardt |
| | J.R. Meenaghan | | Chandler Rouse |
| | Linda Spinks | | Whitney Spinks |
| | Russ Williamson | May 27 | Evan Long |
| May 13 | Scarlet Anne Decker | May 28 | Philip Elliott |
| May 14 | Rebecca Bridges | | Betty B. Ervin |
| | Adrienne Hord | | Melissa McGady |
| | Richard Stark | May 29 | Reed Spilmann |
| | Jason Creel | May 30 | Nancy Jerrolds |
| | Nick Starnes | | Jessica Meenaghan |
| May 15 | Jeannette Mearkle | | Carrie Sharp |
| May 16 | Laura Parker | May 31 | William Sides |
| | April Brown | | Steven Natoli |
| | Carly Anderson | | |
| | Sarah Robertson | | |

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|--------|--------------------------|
| May 6 | Jeff & Valerie Clark |
| May 7 | Terry & Gina Goss |
| May 12 | Fred & Judy Moore |
| | Shawn & Laura Proctor |
| May 14 | Steven & Brianne Natoli |
| May 18 | Bryan & Cori Mitchell |
| | Fred & Paige Moore |
| | Keith & Dawne Reddeck |
| May 21 | Joe & Suzanne Fisher |
| | Tim & Gina Hill |
| May 23 | Brad & Heidi McDonald |
| May 25 | Nelson & Judy Odom |
| | David & Frieda Price |
| May 26 | Michael & Stephanie Corn |
| | Jeff & Nancy Lerch |
| | Michael & Barbie Kolatis |
| May 27 | Bob & Connie Gunsch |
| | Chris & Aileen Yount |
| May 28 | Tom & Marilyn Turner |



Please contact those listed on their special day to let them know you care!

If you know of someone whose birthday or anniversary is not listed or is incorrect, please contact the church office at 803-547-7538.

Children & Youth in our church
College Students in our church

ST. JOHN'S UMC-FORT MILL RE-ENTRY PLAN/PHASE 3

WE HAVE STARTED IN-PERSON SANCTUARY WORSHIP SERVICES AT 8:30AM AND 11:00 AM DURING PHASE 3, THERE WILL BE NO IN-PERSON SUNDAY SCHOOL, NO NURSERY, AND NO HOSPITALITY.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH IS NOW BEING OFFERED AT THE 11:00 AM SERVICE ONLY. THIS IS FOR CHILDREN AGE 4 YEARS OLD THRU 3RD GRADE.

THE FIRST 15-21 FAMILIES (DEPENDENT UPON ACCESSIBILITY AND SIZE OF FAMILIES) TO REGISTER ON SIGN-UP GENIUS WILL BE SEATED IN THE SANCTUARY. FAMILIES WILL BE SEATED ACCORDING TO NUMBER LISTED UNDER THEIR SIGN UP GENIUS RESERVATION. THE SEATING WILL BE ASSIGNED PRIOR TO THE SERVICE TO INSURE MAXIMUM CAPACITY WITH OUR CURRENT SPACING FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING. SEATING IS NOT GUARANTEED IN PREFERRED SPOTS. CERTAIN ALLOWANCE WILL HAVE TO BE TAKEN DUE TO SIZE OF FAMILY AND ACCESSIBILITY. THE STIPULATIONS WILL BE THAT THEY HAVE NOT BEEN EXPOSED TO COVID-19 OR HAVE ANY SYMPTOMS OF COVID-19. DUE TO SOCIAL DISTANCING NEEDS AND REQUIREMENTS, SEATING WILL BE PREDETERMINED AND WILL NOT BE CHANGEABLE PRIOR TO THE SERVICE. WE WILL MAKE THESE ARRANGEMENTS BY FAMILY SIZE AND ACCESSIBILITY AS SOME SEATING MAY BE IN THE BALCONY. IF YOU ARE BEING SEATED IN THE SANCTUARY, YOU MUST ARRIVE BY 8:25AM. ANYONE WHO ARRIVES AFTER 8:25AM WILL BE SEATED IN THE FELLOWSHIP CENTER. ALL OTHER ATTENDEES WILL BE SEATED IN THE FELLOWSHIP CENTER.

ALL WILL BE REQUIRED TO REGISTER FOR THE SERVICE IN ADVANCE TO MANAGE THE NUMBER OF ATTENDEES.

THE REGISTRATION WILL BE ON SIGN-UP GENIUS. THE LINKS TO SIGN-UP GENIUS WILL BE SENT OUT ON MONDAY MORNING VIA CONSTANT CONTACT OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE TO SIGN UP IF YOU DO NOT HAVE COMPUTER ACCESS. THOSE WHO ATTEND OUR SERVICES WILL BE ASKED TO COMPLETE A WEEKLY HEALTH ASSESSMENT BEFORE ENTRY INTO THE CHURCH.

ALL OTHER CURRENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES WILL STAY IN EFFECT.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING YOU
WORSHIP WITH US AT
ST. JOHN'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH!

WE ARE IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST WITH SERVICE ON SUNDAY MORNINGS!

Please sign up through the Sign-Up Genius link that is sent out via Constant Contact on Monday mornings or call the church office to help in the following areas:

Hospitality Team: Phyllis Helms

(803)-325-7620 Email: phyllishelms107@gmail.com

*This team will be first to greet you upon arrival at St. John's. They will welcome you, make sure you have a mask, give you hand sanitizer and take your temperature.

Usher Team: Kenny Rouse

(803)-493-4913 Email: kwrouse@comporium.net

*This team will be responsible for seating everyone. Family units will sit together, and others will be spaced 6 feet apart. Seating is assigned.

Cleaning Team: Jemma Hardinger

(803)-242-4888 Email: scsweetie0616@gmail.com

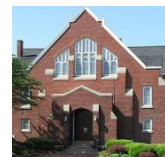
*This team will use the disinfectant sprayer and wipe down all the surfaces in preparation for the next service.

We appreciate your help! Thank you!

2 Ways to Access St. John's Church Services

1) Every Sunday morning (before 8:15am) a constant contact comes out with a link for the service. Please click the link and it will take you to the service. All email domains are different so please be aware that the email could be delayed or have been sent to a spam folder.

2) In your internet browser, enter [youtube.com](https://www.youtube.com). When you are on the YouTube channel, enter St. John's UMC Fort Mill into the search bar. It should upload list of channels. You will see the icon of our church. Please click that channel. It will then give you a list of our uploads and live streams. You can choose to watch any video you would like. You may also subscribe to our channel. If you do, it will only require an email. **It is of no cost.**



Use this QR code created for
the online pay through the
St. John's website.

stjohnsfm.org



The Clara Phillips Circle
will meet May 10th @ 6:30 pm
in the Fellowship Center

The Morning Glory Circle
will meet May 12th @ 11:00 am
in the Fellowship Center

**Temperatures will be
checked upon entry.**

Please wear a mask!

BIBLE QUIZ

My Dad said to me many times,
"Plan your work and then work your plan."

No where is that sage advice more
practiced than in the Bible; for God's
plan for eternity is revealed there.

We saw it at Easter in the Resurrection
of Jesus; however, that was not the
conclusion of God's plan.

Jesus revealed the next step to the
Disciples as He was preparing to depart.

What was it? See Acts 1:8
Now, the big question!

Are you a living witness to God's plan
for the spreading of the Gospel?

by Rev. Bob Romanello

VIP'S

No Events are Scheduled at this time!
For questions, contact Meredith Jackson
mrjackson107@yahoo.com

Thank you!

SCRIPTURE SNACKS SUNDAY

May 2, 2021

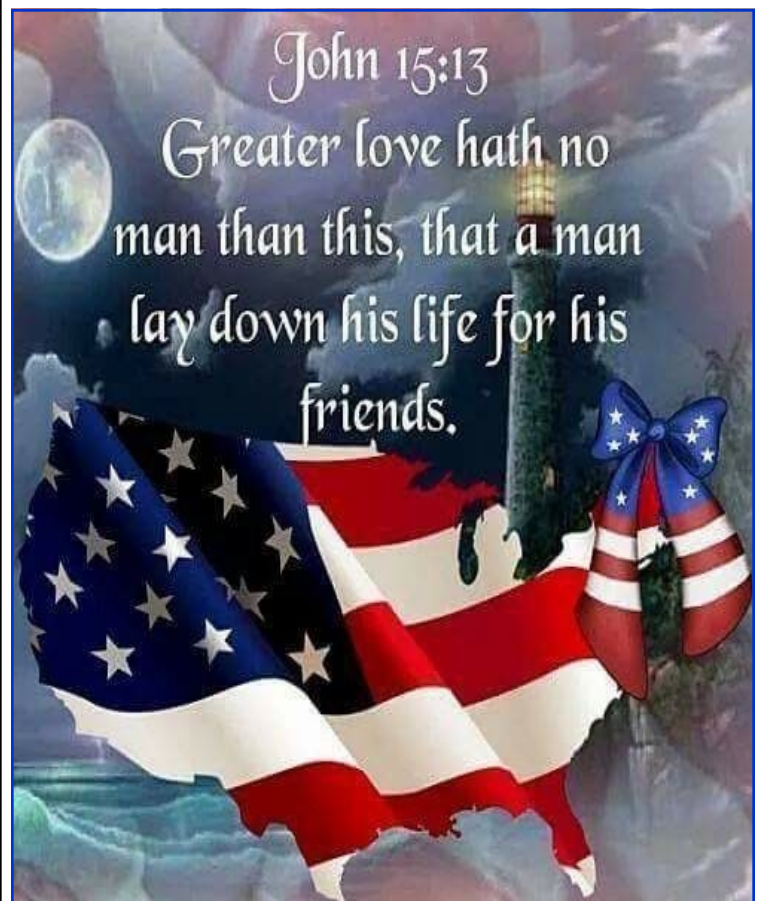
CARE CENTER SUNDAY

May 30, 2021

*Happy Mother's Day
to all of the Moms
from The United Methodist Men*



Wishing you a Blessed Memorial Day!





Catawba Ridge High School

Jacob Neal

Fort Mill High School

Drew Fey

Paige Williams

Nation Ford High School

Reed Spilmann

Will Kinley

Rock Hill High School

Carsyn Clyburn

South Carolina Connections Academy

Sydney Mason

Clemson University Honor College

Anna Hardymon

Tulane University

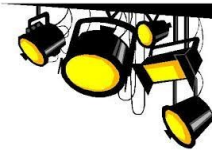
Megan Spilmann

University of South Carolina

Annie Howie

Jakob Gravely

Spotlight on New Members



Larry & Julia Taulbert
23216 Kingfisher Drive
Indian Land, SC 29707

**Joined St. John's
on March 28th, 2021**

**Welcome to St. John's
Larry & Julia**

Lori Vidonic
788 Ryans Place
Fort Mill, SC 29715

**Joined St. John's
on March 28th, 2021**

**Welcome to St. John's
Lori**



Jon & Jaimie Young
Colbyn King
Camden & Cru Young
1234 Hensley Road
Fort Mill, SC 29715

**Joined St. John's
on December 13th, 2020**

**Welcome to St. John's
Jon, Jaimie, Colbyn,
Camden, & Cru**

Mother's Day

United Methodist Women members have a legacy of answering God's call to help those in need. This call led us to make [maternal and child health](#) in our communities and around the world a priority.

Another focus undergirding all our work is building peace. Our organization has worked in both areas for 150 years.

In fact, those issues led Methodist women to inspire the observance we now call Mother's Day.

In the late 1860s, before Mother's Day was an official holiday in the U.S., Ann Jarvis started mother's clubs that served poor and sick mothers and their children.

Later Mothers' Friendship Day was founded to build peace after the Civil War ended.

Watch *The Founding Mothers of Mother's Day* for more about the Methodist roots of this holiday.

In the 21st century, women play increasingly important roles in church, society and families; women who mother deserve to be honored. It's important to remember that not all women who mother have children, yet their mothering helps others just as much. A woman's worth should not be measured by whether or not she has children.

Many women without children have been inspiring leaders, mentors and surrogate mothers to young people in ways that helped transform them into mature adults.

There are women who have sought adoption and been mothers in ways that biological mothers could not.

Women, especially United Methodist Women members, serve others with faith, hope and love in their homes, their communities and the world with their time and through [Gifts to Mission](#) every day.

While the intent of each second Sunday in May is joyful recognition, some women experience pain and remember losses on this occasion. **Read *A Day for All Who Mother*** for a perspective on making Mother's Day more inclusive and how you can avoid unintended harm.

From here on out on Mother's Day, pause in gratitude for the treasured women in your life, including yourself. Celebrate all those who mothered you, those who support you now and those whom you nurture. May it be a day you commit to be more compassionate and ferocious in your love for others.

For reading highlighted info go to

www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/mothersday

Bless His Name!

Judy Tilly, President



Children Like Steven



Steven is the youngest boy in the middle school cottage this year, but he is one of the tallest boys in the cottage. He is destined to be a very tall and broad-shouldered man one day, but right now he is in the sometimes awkward development stage that accompanies the early teenage years. Yet his physical appearance is countered by a quiet and soft-spoken personality.

Steven came to Epworth last fall from a stressed family system, one where he experienced neglect so severe that he was removed from his home by the Department of Social Services. The neglect he experienced in his early childhood contributes to his quiet, sometimes withdrawn, nature. In those first few weeks, he did not bond right away with the other boys in the cottage and you would often see him off by himself.

As the weeks went by Steven began to experience the stability of a safe and secure home. Steven appreciated having plenty to eat (which for a growing teenage boy is a big deal!) and a comfortable place to sleep. He bonded with his cottage parents who gave him the space to be by himself but continued to encourage him to be more engaged at Epworth and at school.

Now months after his arrival, Steven's growth spurt is still going strong. Yes, he is still growing taller, but he is also growing in intangible ways. He has developed close friendships with the other boys and is often seen playing basketball instead of being alone. His grades are improving, he loves science, and he has a new dream of being a paleontologist when he grows up. He still has a lot of growth in front of him, but with each day at Epworth he is walking with more confidence into the future.

This Mother's Day, make a generous gift knowing you are a partner with Epworth in transforming the lives of children, children like Steven.



Celebrating 125 Years

Katherine Burns/Epworth Representative

MUSIC MINISTRY

The 2020-2021 year is drawing to a close. The Joyful Ringers and Men's Ensemble are already on their summer hiatus, the Music Makers will finish their program year this month and the Chancel Choir will complete 20-21 by the end of June. Our Solo artists will continue to be seen throughout the summer as they offer their talents to the glory of God.

This year has been a very different year for each of our groups. They are working under conditions that have never before been experienced. Generally, music is made while listening to the others in the group to insure pitch and volume matching, and in the case of vocalists – saying the words the same. As you know, this has not been the case lately.

Social distancing has provided us opportunities to develop new skills while at the same time asking us to set aside some of the other skills that we were working toward. It has also required that we meet in smaller groups so that we have not been able, like the rest of society, to meet as a whole community to support each other. So much has happened in the lives of our department members that we are aching to be together to support each other. But we are learning other ways to make that happen.

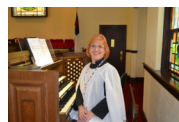
This group of musicians is dedicated, focused, hard-working and devoted to sharing God's love with the St. John's family. I give them my deepest gratitude for making the musical worship of our Lord happen each week. We couldn't have done it without them.



Amber Boan – Joyful Ringers
Anna Gilreath – Joyful Ringers, Joyful Ensemble, Chancel Choir,
Praise Makers
Audrey Johnson – Music Makers
Bill Mayes – Men's Ensemble
Brenda Little – Joyful Ringers, Music Makers Accompanist
C.J. McDonald – Music Makers
Charlene Williams – Joyful Ringers
Connie Gunsch – Chancel Choir
Emory Mae Creel – Music Makers
Gene Ervin – Men's Ensemble
George Dickinson – Chancel Choir, Men's Ensemble
George Rhinehardt – Men's Ensemble
James Kimbrell – Men's Ensemble
Janet Tracey – Chancel Choir
Jemma Hardinger – Joyful Ringers, Joyful Ensemble,
Chancel Choir, Music Makers Director
Jo Ann Kane – Joyful Ringers, Chancel Choir
Joy Honeycutt – Joyful Ringers
Judy Odom – Chancel Choir
Judy Tilly – Chancel Choir
Justin Isenhour – Chancel Choir

Karley Johnson – Music Makers
Katherine Burns - Joyful Ringers, Joyful Ensemble, Chancel Choir,
Music Makers Director
Les Spencer – Chancel Choir, Men's Ensemble
Lydia Powers – Music Makers
Mallory Capps – Chancel Choir, Praise Makers
Mark Fahner – Chancel Choir, Men's Ensemble
Martha Jones – Chancel Choir, Praise Makers
Mary Olinger – Joyful Ringers
Mabry Lomineck – Music Makers
Max Powers – Music Makers
Minda Siebert – Chancel Choir
Nancy Rivers – Joyful Ringers, Joyful Ensemble
Owen Isenhour – Music Makers
Paige Williams – Joyful Ringers
Pat Fahner – Chancel Choir
Piper Burns – Music Makers
R.W. Edmondson – Chancel Choir, Men's Ensemble
Rick Diak – Chancel Choir, Men's Ensemble, Audio Editor
Stephanie Corn – Chancel Choir
Steve Siebert – Chancel Choir, Men's Ensemble
Tracy Olinger – Joyful Ringers, Joyful Ensemble
William Isenhour – Music Makers

Kathie Riebe-Music Director
sjumcmusic@comporium.net



Dear Friends:

May 27, 2020 was a day that drastically changed the lives of our family. This month represents 1 year since our beloved granddaughter, Corrie Bridges, went to be with Jesus. We wish to sincerely thank all of you for the prayers, phone calls, cards, gifts, letters, good food, and kind thoughts. The past year has been a challenge and your thoughtfulness has helped get us through the hard times. In memory of Corrie, our family has started a mission called Corrie's Kinder Mourn Walk. We place flowers and decorate the graves of babies and children who no longer have relatives that are alive or do not live in the area. Many of the graves are over 100 years old. So far, we are tending to over 40 graves at the cemetery where Corrie is buried. Our family uses artificial flowers, wreaths, and craft-making materials to grace the graves of precious children who have unfortunately passed away and may no longer have family members. Many people have asked how they can help. If anyone has new or gently used artificial flowers (all seasons), wire used by florists, wreaths, ribbon, craft making material etc. Please contact us at 803-493-4059 or 803-493-6382. We sincerely appreciate all that you have done for our family. Take care and may God bless you all!

Sincerely, George and Lynn Dickinson

Stewardship Is...



Love in Action

Missions Committee

Jennifer Mayes - jhmayers30@gmail.com

Fort Mill Care Center

Please take all donations directly
to the Care Center:

- *liquid dish soap
- *cleaning wipes
- *all purpose cleaner
- *shampoo & deodorant



Our meetings are suspended until further notice due to COVID-19. I will be communicating via email and constant contact with any updates or matters that need immediate attention. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me!



W.E.E. School News

Beth Meador
Director of W.E.E. School
(803)548-6557 sjumcweeschool@gmail.com



As our school year is winding down, the W.E.E. School staff would like to thank the entire congregation for their support this school year! Your prayers have helped us be a blessing to the 100 children that come through our doors each week! It has been a wonderful and exciting school year!



W.E.E. School Fundraiser/Spirit Nights

Thank you for coming out and supporting our spirit nights this school year. Our last spirit night will be at Abbott's Frozen Custard, Tega Cay on May 13th from 5-8pm. Hope to see you there!

W.E.E. School 2021-2022

We have a few spots currently available for the upcoming school year. If you would like more information please contact Beth Meador (803)548-6557 or sjumcweeschool@gmail.com

W.E.E. School Summer Camp

Our summer camps are currently full, however we do have waiting lists for all weeks. If you are interested in being placed on the waiting list or would like more information, contact Beth Meador (803)548-6557 or sjumcweeschool@gmail.com, or drop by and see us!

Happy Spring!!!

I hope you guys are enjoying the last days of the school year and enjoying some warmer weather!

For the month of May:

On May 1, the children will be going strawberry picking. We will meet at the church at 10 AM to drive over to the fields. More details will be sent out to those who sign up. Sign-up genius link has been sent out through email. Please sign up and join us for a fun day of strawberry picking.

On May 2, we will have Real Kids in the Zone from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm. Join us for fun, games, snacks, and a Bible study.

The last Real Kids of the year will be on May 16 from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm in the Zone.

Next month in June we will be looking to go putt putting. Be on the lookout for an email with more information and a sign-up link.



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Hello Everyone!!

Summer is right around the corner and I know everyone is excited to spend some time with family and in the sunshine.

On May 8, the youth will host a car wash for our church members. No donations will be accepted. This is a thank you to our church family for all the support they give the youth every year. We need lots of helpers so sign up on the sign-up genius link that has come out via email. Youth will need to be at the church by 10 AM. The car wash will start at 10:30 AM and go to 1 PM.

There will be no Youth Group on May 9 due to Mother's Day.

The last Youth Group of the year will be May 23. We will be in the Zone from 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM.

In the month of June we are planning to go to Top Golf one evening. More information to come as well as a sign up link.



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| Sun | Mon | Tue | |
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|  | <p>May</p> | <p>2021</p> | |
| <p>2</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship Service</p> <p>11:00 AM Worship Service</p> | <p>3</p> <p>9:00 AM - 12:00 PM</p> <p>Pastries for Parents</p> <p>WEE School (FC)</p> <p>7:00 PM Book Club (FC)</p> | <p>4</p> <p>9:00 AM - 12:00 PM</p> <p>Pastries for Parents</p> <p>WEE School (FC)</p> | |
| <p>9</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship Service</p> <p>11:00 AM Worship Service</p>  | <p>10</p> <p>9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (FC)</p> <p>WEE School Graduation Practice</p> <p>6:30 PM - Clara Phillips Circle</p> <p>6:30 PM - Trustees Meeting (Zoom)</p> | <p>11</p> <p>9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (FC)</p> <p>WEE School Graduation Practice</p> | |
| <p>16</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship Service</p> <p>11:00 AM Worship Service</p> | <p>17</p> <p>9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (FC)</p> <p>WEE School Graduation Practice</p> | <p>18</p> <p>9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (FC)</p> <p>WEE School Graduation Practice</p> | |
| <p>23</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship Service</p> <p>11:00 AM Worship Service</p> <p>Last UMYF Pizza Party</p> | <p>24</p> <p>9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (FC)</p> <p>WEE School Graduation Practice</p> | <p>25</p> <p>9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (FC)</p> <p>WEE School Graduation Practice</p> | |
| <p>30</p> <p>8:30 AM Worship Service</p> <p>11:00 AM Worship Service</p> | <p>31 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</p>  | | |

| Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | ¹ <i>REAL Kids Strawberry Picking</i> |
| ⁵ <i>4:30 PM Grief Support Group 5:30 PM Music Makers 6:45 PM Chancel Choir</i> | ⁶ | ⁷ | ⁸ <i>10:30 AM - 1:00 PM UMYF Car Wash</i> |
| ¹² <i>5:30 PM Music Makers 6:45 PM Chancel Choir</i> | ¹³ <i>WEE School Spirit Event @ Abbott's in Tega Cay 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM</i> | ¹⁴ | ¹⁵ |
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| ²⁶ <i>5:30 PM Music Makers 6:45 PM Chancel Choir</i> | ²⁷ <i>9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (FC) WEE School Graduation</i> | ²⁸ | ²⁹ |
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Care Center Sunday is May 30, 2021

The Fort Mill Care Center is currently in
need of the following:

Please take donations to the Care Center

- *liquid dish soap
- *cleaning wipes
- *all purpose cleaner
- *shampoo & deodorant

Thank you for your support!



FELLOWSHIP CENTER USAGE

**PLEASE ALWAYS LEAVE THE SPACE
YOU USE THE SAME
OR CLEANER THAN YOU FOUND IT.**

**If you are interested in using
the Fellowship Center,
Please contact
the church office.**

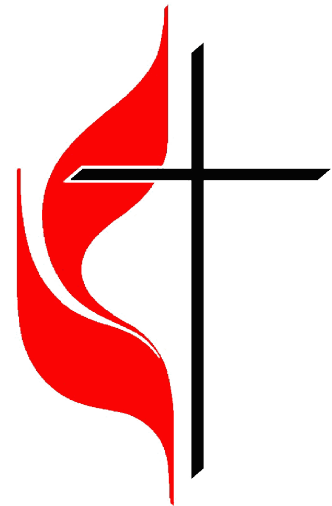
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Deadline for the newsletter is the 15th of each month.