

An Order for the Christian Worship of God

August 6, 2017

Enter to Worship, Depart to Serve

9th Sunday after Pentecost

Liturgical Color: White

Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

*Choral Call to Worship "Fill My Cup, Lord" UMH # 641

*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.)

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Scripture Psalm 116: 1-2, 5-7, 12-14; Ephesians 1: 17-19 # 530/1017

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostles' Creed UMH # 881

" I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen."

*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 "In Remembrance"
Flute ~ Katie Bono

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 Psalm 23: 5b-6 # 476

Sermon "Oily Heads, Overflowing Cups and Breadcrumbs" Rev. Tommy Wilkes

Prayer of Confession, Absolution and Pardon

Sacrament of Holy Communion

*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.

Invitation to Newcomers: Those desiring to unite with our congregation through Baptism, Profession of Faith or Transfer of 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.

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The flowers are placed on the altar today to the Glory to God and  
in honor of Laird Curtin's birthday, given by Mom, Dad and Katelyn.  
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Friends, as Christians who are involved in the life of this wonderful church, we have the awesome honor and important responsibility of keeping in touch with our high school graduates as they go on to higher education and/or their vocational lives in locations beyond home or even nearby! The goal of this outreach is a Jesus kind of goal ~ to remember one another, to remind our graduates that we love them and are here for them as they continue to grow into young adulthood. **Do you have a student in your household, who has graduated this past year and is moving on to college or entering young adult life beyond high school?** Or a student who is already sponsored but has changed locations/addresses? **PLEASE LET US MINISTER SUPPORT TO THIS YOUNG PERSON! GIVE US THEIR ADDRESS AND PHONE CONTACT INFO!!** We will assign a sponsor and stay connected with them. CALL Rev. Meg Wilkes @ 222-3496 ext. 17☺ **Would you like to be a sponsor for someone young who deserves a good word and kind support from their church family?** CALL Rev. Meg Wilkes @222-3496 ext.17☺ We will connect you with a young person ~ just to send some emails and a care package or two through the year. More info to come....**BUT PLEASE RESPOND NOW!**

Financial Stewardship

Please continue to remember the church in your giving as we continue this year of ministry together. Most of you give through the Sunday morning offerings but below are some other ways to give if you so choose. **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.

Reverend Tommy Wilkes, Senior Pastor – twilkes@cloverfumc.org
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Hope Long, Nursery
Windy Bartee, Lay Leader
Ray Reavis, David Edwards, Bob Grindle, Conference Lay Members

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: Wayne Leroy, Rhett Hurst, Mike Bono, Marshall Caldwell, Ann Stewart, Janet Maslankowski, Alan Abernathy, Estelle Camp, Sandy Chapman, Eloise Mallen, Rolfe Sukkert, Margaret Pendleton, Doris Shepard (Barb Millay's mother), Jimmy Dixon, Glenn Adams, Dave Stanton, Jr., Dolly & Joe Killian, Randy Flora, Dave Jones, Naurice Smith.

Note of Sympathy: Christian sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Mrs. Elsie Adams.

A child is born: A rosebud is placed on the altar this morning in honor of Roman Lee Carothers, infant son of Taylor Thornburg and Derrick Carothers. Roman, born on July 9th, weighed 5 lb. 4 oz. and was 18" long. Proud grandparents are Lisa and Jeff Thornburg and great grandparents Paul and Sandy Skinnell.

Military: Lt. Col. Nicholas S. Hare, Senior Chief Martin Johnson, Major Blair Preston, 2nd Lt. Rion Cartin, LCPL Chris Propst, M.Gy. Sgt. Terry Kenneth Lowman, Jr.

The UMW General Meeting will be today at 12:15pm in the Missions & Fellowship Center. Lunch will be provided.

UMW Reading Program

Those who are participating in the Reading Program should have their information to Grace White or Louise Jackson by TODAY.

Wisdom & Grace Conference Attendees @ Lake Junaluska

We will leave the church at 9:00 on Monday, August 7th and meet at the Bethea Welcome Center at Lake Junaluska so we can go to lunch together in Waynesville. Wear a green shirt on Tuesday, August 8th, if possible.

Forever Young & Friends

Fort Caswell/Oak Island trip - final payment of \$105 is due by August 15, 2017.

The Missions Committee would like to invite everyone to a luncheon, immediately following the 11:00 service on Sunday, August 13th. We will receive a witness from our missionaries after they return from Ecuador. We will also have some additional witnessing from our Salkehatchie volunteers, plus some other presentations. Jacksons will be providing our meal. Please sign up at the table outside the Missions and Fellowship Center so that we can make sure that we have enough for everyone. There is no charge for the meal, but we'll have a love offering for those that would like to contribute to an international mission in October of this year.

Help Prepare Godly Play's Sacred Space: You are invited and needed to join with Dick Gibson in the cleaning, beautifying, arranging and ordering of our church's Godly Play/Time rooms for children and young teens to begin a new Sunday school year. Give a morning, afternoon, day or more to experience the joy and inspiration of this dedicated service. We will be doing "our work" August 8-10 (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday), 9:00am -5:00pm. Contact Mr. Dick in person, phone (803-328-8425), email (dkgibson@comporium.net) OR church office **BEFORE August 8** to sign up for your day(s) and time period. At least 3-4 persons each day and time period would be appreciated. No experience is necessary. Adults, youth, and older children may volunteer. PLEASE CONSIDER MAKING THIS GIFT OF LOVE to provide a "holy" environment in which children, teens, and their adult spiritual mentors may come close to God.

Youth, Children and Tweens

THIS AFTERNOON the Dubiski's are hosting the Youth for an End of Summer Pool Party! Junior High will be from 4:00—6:00 and Senior High will be from 6:00—8:00.

Youth Fellowship: Jr. High, 6:30 on Wednesdays; Sr. High, 7:30 on Wednesdays.

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

BIG & TWEENS: August 9th, 5:30pm – 7:30pm

We are going at Wesley Acres in Gastonia. There is no cost. We will have pizza.

Promotion Sunday will be August 20th, during the Sunday School hour. Be sure to be here when we recognize all the children in their participation with Sunday School/Godly Play and honor those who are being promoted to their new classes! Please join us!

August 13th at 5:00pm there will be a Youth Council meeting to build the calendar for the fall and winter.

5th Quarter: The youth will have a 5th quarter after the home football game on September 1st.

Thank you: Jim and Kathy Hayes would like to thank the congregation and staff for their prayers, kind words and cards on the death of our brother, Michael Hayes.

Ladies, you are invited to sing! The ladies choir will be preparing a piece to sing on UMW Sunday and we will begin practice on Wednesday, August 2nd, at 7:40 in the choir room. Ladies-Youth through adults are welcome to join us in this ministry of worship and song. No experience necessary! For more information, please contact Cheri King @ cking@cloverfumc.org

Handbells: Stay tuned for fall ringing opportunities and information. We will begin rehearsal on Sunday, September 10th. Time, TBA.

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

ALL SAINTS MEMORIAL PARK BRICK ORDERS DUE BY WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 6, 2017

It is time to order memorial bricks to remember those family members and friends that have passed away. If you would like to order a brick in memory of a loved one, please fill out one of the forms located on the "sign up" table near the door to the Missions & Fellowship Center. Bricks cost \$ 75.00. Make checks out to FUMC and mark for Memorial Brick. Please either turn everything into the church office or place in the offering plate in an envelope. The bricks will be placed in the Memorial Park and recognized at a later time. If you have any questions, please call Suzanne Thompson (222-7334) or Sherry Adams (222-9921).

UMW Sunday, August 20: Our speaker will be the former Miss South Carolina, Jane Jenkins Herlong. Please plan to be here.



Jane Jenkins Herlong CSP, CPAE

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Total Solar Eclipse, August 21 ~ Total Blackout! TRIP

Safety Glasses – We have 60 pairs of special glasses.

Location – We have rented a picnic shelter at Sesquicentennial State Park just north of Columbia in the totality zone. **Directions:** I-77 South, take exit 17, go North on Hwy 1 (Two Notch Rd.) for 2 miles, park will be on the right. Tell the gate person you are with the First UMC Group at shelter 002 in picnic area A.

Cost of the Trip – admission to the park – you pay when you arrive. Under 65 per person is \$ 5.00; SC seniors over 65 per person is \$ 3.25.

Food – Pack your own lunch. If you plan on staying late at the park, you may want to pack extra food. Cokes, Diet Coke, Sprite & water will be provided. Coolers are leaving church by 7:00am that morning.

Bring a snack (sweet or salty) to share with the group in the afternoon.

Bring – a chair (if you want one), sun screen, bug repellent, etc.

Time – we have the picnic shelter from 8:00am until park closing. To view the eclipse safely, it would be best to be at the park by 11:00. The partial eclipse starts at 1:13pm.

Traffic May be Heavy – People are traveling at different times. There is a list of people going if you need to find a ride.

Bus – The bus will leave the church at 7:30am.

Other – There is lots to do at the park; fishing, bike trail, walking trails, etc. Website is sesqu@scprt.com.

If possible wear a green shirt on this trip.