

# First United Methodist Church

## Rutherfordton, North Carolina

First Service      Sunday School      Second Service  
8:45 am            9:45 am            11:00 am

**Our Mission:**  
*Sharing Christ's Light on  
Main Street and Beyond...*

June 3, 2018  
2nd Sunday after Pentecost  
Worship of the Lord



## ENTRANCE

## Tolling of the Church Bell

Welcome and Announcements      Jimmy Dancy, Lay Leader  
(Worshippers, please complete your contact  
Information and name tags in the red Hospitality Folders.)

Prelude      *I've Got Peace Like A River*      arr. Fred Bock

\*\*Introit                    Come and Worship God                    Carl F. Mueller

\*Call to Worship  
Mighty God, You welcome us into Your Kingdom as honored guests.

**You give us water to wash our feet,  
You give us a kiss of greeting,  
and You anoint our heads with oil**

Merciful God, You welcome us even though we are sinners

**You forgive our debts and give us a seat at Your table**

Wondrous God, we have come here to give You our worship and praise.

**May we make a joyful noise at Your table!**

**\*Opening Prayer**  
**Open our hearts today, Lord, to feel the power of your extravagant love for us. Help us to be free of our fears and prejudices so that we may see your love in action in the lives of others. Comfort and calm our spirits in readiness for us to become your disciples. For we ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.**

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

\*\*Music by the RockStars

## Jesus Loves Me (Handbells)

Go Now in Peace (Xylophone, Handbells)  
He's Got the Whole World in His Hands  
Congregation sing on last verse:  
"He's got everybody here in His hands "

Gospel Lesson Luke 7:36-50, Pew Bible NT Pg. 66

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

## People: Praise to you Lord Christ!

10 Sermon *An Extravagant Love* Dr. Thompson

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

## Concerns and Prayers

## Invitation, No. 7

## Confession and Pardon, No. 8

\*Passing the Peace of Christ

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

## Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts

\*Response in Praise, No. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

## THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

## Taking the Bread and Cup

## The Great Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer, No. 9

## Breaking the Bread

## Giving the Bread and Cup

### Prayer following Communion

## SENDING FORTH

\*Hymn No. 384      *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*      BEECHER

\*Dismissal with Blessing

## \*\*We Follow the Light into the World Acolyte

\*\*Benediction R. *The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ* John Yarington

\*Chimes of the Trinity

**\*Congregation please stand, as you are able  
\*\*11:00 am Worship Service Only  
"Enter to Worship, Depart to Serve"**

**When You Pray, Remember the Following Church Members and  
Also Our Homebound Members and Service Personnel:**

**Wyatt Church** <sup>3</sup>  
**Ken Flack** <sup>3</sup>  
**S. G. Gabriel** <sup>3</sup>  
**Brenda Gibson** <sup>1</sup>

**Peggy McBrayer** <sup>1</sup>  
**Diane McMillan** <sup>4</sup>  
**Teresa Monteith** <sup>3</sup>  
**Myra Woody** <sup>1</sup>

**Remember the Following Friends & Family of Church Members:**

**David Claroni**, son of Paul & Sally <sup>2</sup>  
**Family of Norma Gillespie**, sister of  
Donna Carver <sup>1</sup>  
**Linda Jeanne Harrill** <sup>2</sup>  
**Lucas Harris** <sup>2</sup>  
**Buck Juzyk**, son-in-law of Newt &  
Susan Hamlin <sup>2</sup>  
**Phillip Lane**, cousin of Susie King <sup>3</sup>  
**Carole Moore** <sup>2</sup>

**Jane Rucker** <sup>1</sup>  
**Anna Bryson Sauer** <sup>3</sup>  
**Patricia Shaw**, sister of Christine  
Moore & Grace Smith <sup>3</sup>  
**Lois Sims**, retired teacher and  
friend of Dan Smith <sup>4</sup>  
**Virginia Tate**, sister of Patsy Hope  
Mitchell <sup>3</sup>  
**Marie Wood** <sup>3</sup>

Prayer requests will run for 4-weeks in our bulletin. This will help to keep requests current. Requests may be updated/renewed at any time. We do not want to drop anyone from the list who needs prayer. Please keep us posted.

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~ OUR MISSIONARIES ~

**Newt & Susan Hamlin**, Missionaries to Papua New Guinea

## For the Record – Week of 05-27-2018

**STEWARDSHIP  
OF PRESENCE.....** 148  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL  
ATTENDANCE.....** 90

Weekly Budget Needs.....	\$ 8,912.06
Pledged Offerings.....	\$ 3,861.00
Non-Pledged Offerings.....	\$ 603.00
Loose Plate Offerings.....	\$ 74.00
Total Tithes & Offerings .....	\$ 4,538.00

### TODAY'S ASSISTANTS IN MINISTRY

**Bread Maker:** Helen Rogers

**Acolyte:** Johannah Deese

**Sound System:** 8:45 - Jay Ostrander  
11:00 - Don Suttles

**Greeters:** 8:45 - Dan Smith & Earl Furbish  
10:40 - Ron & Dorothy Parker

**Communion Stewards:** Ron & Dorothy Parker

**Ushers:** 8:40 - Ken Sanford, Head Usher; Pete Russell  
Doug Melton, Eric Gibson  
10:55 - David Best, Head Usher; Odean Keever, Captain;  
Todd Snaith, Steve Wright, Grant McRorie,  
Rick Ensley, Mike Fields

**WELCOME** to First United Methodist Church of Rutherfordton. If you are a guest, we are especially glad you are here. We hope you experience the love and grace of Jesus Christ and warm hospitality as we worship together today.

**CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO** Donna Carver and her family in the death of her sister, Norma Gillespie. May the peace of Christ be with you.

**WE NEED YOUR INPUT!** If you have not received a survey about the idea of a contemporary worship service, please join us after either service on Sunday, June 3rd for a short 10-minute informational meeting. The purpose is to explain and hand out the survey for you to take home and fill out. Please stay if you can.

**THE FINANCE COMMITTEE** will meet today, June 3rd immediately after the 11 am worship service in the Front Room. **THE TRUSTEES** will meet today, June 3rd at 5:00 pm in the Front Room and **CHURCH COUNCIL** will meet at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Center.

**THE CHRYSALIS AND EMMAUS GROUP** will meet on Tuesday, June 5th at 6:30 pm in the Perry-Moore House. Bring a dish to share.

**THE AGAPE CIRCLE** will visit Henderson Care Center on Tuesday, June 12th. We will meet at 6:30 pm at the Annex Parking Lot, across from the Perry-Moore House to carpool to the Center. We will have a devotion, prayer, hymns and refreshments for the patients. All women of the church are invited to join us.

**KEENAGERS:** We hope you will plan to join us on our Keenagers trip to the NC Arboretum in Asheville on Thursday, June 14.

The Arboretum offers acres of cultivated gardens featuring some of the most beautiful, botanically-diverse plants in the region. It has indoor and outdoor exhibits focused around science, education, arts and culture. There is no admission fee to the exhibits or grounds.

The Church bus will leave the church parking lot at 10:30 am and return at 5:00 pm. We plan to have lunch at the Arboretum's new café, Bent Creek Bistro.

Please be sure to reserve your seat on the bus by adding your name & phone number to the sign-up sheet on the Keenagers bulletin board in the hallway near the church office.

If you have any questions, please call Pam or Pete Pryor at 828-288-2779.

**ALTAR FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS:** The **Worship Committee** would like to extend to you an invitation to give the gift of flowers. There is an Altar Flower Sign-Up Sheet on the bulletin board outside the church office. Please take this opportunity to honor or remember someone special by accepting responsibility for the altar floral arrangements. Thank you.



Dinner will be served each night from 5:30-6:00 pm  
VBS 6:00-8:00 pm

**"God wants us to live FULLY ALIVE because we can  
trust that what He says is TRUE!"**

This week-long adventure is all about getting AMPED up for Jesus! We are going to learn how to live our lives FULLY ALIVE! We can live like we know God is with us, like God has a plan for us, like Jesus is alive, and like we're part of a bigger story!

Dinner starts at 5:30 in the Fellowship Center and Opening Ceremonies always starts right at 6:00! You won't want to miss a SECOND of our AMPED Bible Stories and crazy characters. Travel with your small group to Games, Missions, and Crafts in an evening of non-stop FULLY ALIVE fun!

Children in preschool - 5th Grade are invited from 5:30-8:00 pm each night. (Children under 4 years old must come with an adult.)

And don't forget to bring the whole family along for an even BIGGER time on July 1st at 11:00 am for our Family Experience!



*Pro-Tip: Registration & Check-in will be downstairs in the Tot Learning Center Lobby this year.*

**OUR CHURCH IN ACTION**  
**(Daily Bible Readings)**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 3**

**(1 Kings 8, Proverbs 3, Hebrews 1-2)**

8:00 am - Prayer Walk, PMH  
8:45 am - Worship Service, S  
9:45 am - Sunday School  
11:00 am - Worship Service, S  
12:10 pm - Finance, FR  
5 pm - Trustees, FR  
7 pm - Church Council, FC

**MONDAY, JUNE 4**

**(1 Kings 9-10, Proverbs 4, Hebrews 3-4)**

8:30 - 9:30 am - Fitness Follies, FC  
10 am - 8 pm - Welcome Table, FC & K  
2:00 - 6:30 pm - Friendship Club, PMH  
5-6:30 pm - Welcome Table Served, FC  
6-8:30 pm - NETworX, N, 3<sup>rd</sup> Flr, BA, YC  
6:30 pm - Al Anon, PMH (Newcomers)  
7:00 pm - Al Anon, PMH

**TUESDAY, JUNE 5**

**(1 Kings 11-12, Proverbs 5, Hebrews 5-6)**

8:30 - 9:30 am - Fitness Follies, FC  
9:00 am - Noon - TLC  
2:00 - 6:30 pm - Friendship Club, PMH  
3:15 - 5:30 pm - Girl Scouts, YC  
3:30 - 5:00 pm - Girl Scouts, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor  
6:30 pm - Emmaus, PMH

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6**

**(1 Kings 13-14, Proverbs 6, Hebrews 7-8)**

7:00 am - Men's Breakfast, FC & K  
8:30 - 9:30 am - Fitness Follies, FC  
9:00 am - Noon - TLC  
2:00 - 6:30 pm - Friendship Club Graduation  
Pool Party, Parsonage  
7:00 pm - Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY, JUNE 7**

**(1 Kings 15-16, Proverbs 7, Hebrews 9-10)**

6:45 - 7:30 am - Prayer Group, PMH  
8:30 - 9:30 am - Fitness Follies, FC  
9:00 am - Noon - TLC  
6:30 pm - Stephen Ministry Super., PMH

**FRIDAY, JUNE 8**

**(1 Kings 17-18, Proverbs 8, Hebrews 11)**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 9**

**(1 Kings 19-20, Proverbs 9, Hebrews 12)**

12:00 pm - AA Meeting,  
7:00 pm - AA Meeting, PMH

**SUNDAY, JUNE 10**

**(1 Kings 21-22, Proverbs 10, Hebrews 13)**

8:00 am - Prayer Walk, PMH  
8:45 am - Worship Service, S  
9:45 am - Sunday School  
11:00 am - Worship Service, S

LEGEND: BA - Balcony, DMC - Dillard Morrow Class, FC - Fellowship Center, FR - Front Room, L - Library, N - Nursery, NC - Nifong Chapel, NM - Nifong Music Room, PMH - Perry-Moore House, S - Sanctuary, YC - Youth Center