

Attention All Ladies: The July 12th meeting of the **United Methodist Women** will be held at 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Circle 1 will be hostess for this meeting and invites all in attendance to stay for lunch. Rev. Laura Bratton, Pastor of Laurens Road United Methodist Church in Greenville, will give our program. Rev. Bratton became blind in childhood. She has written a book, Harnessing Courage about overcoming this handicap. She will have copies of her book for sale.

RIFTE JULY ACTIVITIES

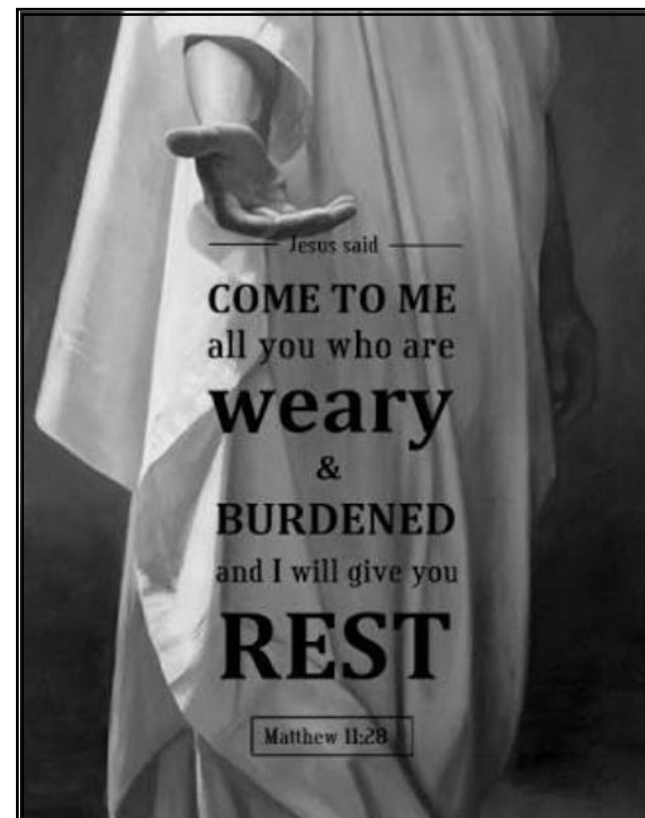
- **July 9:** Regular youth night
- **July 11:** Open Gym Night from 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- **July 16:** Bring money for Joe's Ice Cream!
- **July 21-22:** Lock In - as part of the Lock In, we'd like to do Breakout Greenville! **If your child plans to come to the Lock In this year we NEED an RSVP today.**
- **July 25:** Open Gym Night



It may seem early, but we are planning a **back to school Scrip card order!** With 775 retailers to choose from, there is something for everyone. Plan to order your cards or e-cards in time for the SC tax free shopping weekend August 4 -6. If you want to purchase traditional gift cards turn your payment and card list in to Kitty by July 28. Cards will be delivered to the church for pick up. Proceeds from these sales are for the **Trustee Emergency Fund.** www.shopwithscrip.com

Faith Seekers Book Club is open to all women in the church and their guests. The Club will meet Wednesday, August 9, at 4:00 p.m. in the downstairs conference room of the Hampton Library to discuss *Rebecca* by Daphne du Maurier. We have great discussions, and welcome visitors.

Due to vacation schedules **the office will be closed August 11 and 18.** **Office Volunteers** are needed August 14 (a.m. & p.m.), August 16 (p.m.), August 23 (p.m.). Volunteers answer the phones and assist office visitors. Please remember: the office will be short staffed beginning in late July. Your cooperation and patience is appreciated during this transition time:



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SONRISE SERVICE

5th Sunday After Pentecost

July 9, 2017

We Gather in Jesus' Name

*Gathering Music

"O My Soul, March On"

Welcome and Announcements

Greg Belle

Prayers of the People

(Please take a moment to stand and greet your neighbors.)

*Song of Preparation

"Oceans"

We Encounter God's Word

Scripture Reading

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67 & Matthew 11:16-19,25-30

Report from Salkehatchie Team

We Respond to God's Love

Offering

Offertory

"I Refuse"

Lord's Prayer (In Unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Breaking the Bread and Giving the Cup

Communion Song

"The Bread Has Been Broken"

Closing Song

We are Sent into the World to Witness and Serve

Sending Forth

*Those who are able please stand.

Join host Rev. Jeff Childress for the trip of a lifetime!

Holy Land Tour

April 3-12, 2018

\$3,300

Includes roundtrip airfare/all transfers, first class accommodations, transportation baggage handling/buffet breakfast and dinner daily.

English speaking professional tour guides/entrance fee to all tour sites/gratuities

A few tour highlights: Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, Jordan River, Caesarea, Mediggo, Nazareth, Cana, Tiberias, Beit Shean, Jericho, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Dead Sea, Masada, Qumran, Bethany

Contact Rev. Jeff Childress at 864-985-2456 or Rev. Julian Ford at 864-642-7900

Limited number of brochures available in EFUMC office.

EFUMC Financial Report

As of 5/31/17

	<u>2017 Actual</u>
Operating:	
Pledged Revenue	123,227
Non-Pledged Revenue	129,522
Total Operating Revenue	252,749
Operating Expenses:	(249,486)
Over/(Under)	<u>3,263</u>
Annual Budget	\$ 628,808
% of Budget Received to Date	40%
Non-Operating Revenue	23,983

EFUMC Weekly Calendar

Sunday, July 9

8:40 a.m. SonRise Service - Sanctuary
10:00 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
4:00 p.m. Missions - Trinity Center
6:00 p.m. RIFTE - Common Area
6:00 p.m. Parents' Meeting - Trinity Center

Monday, July 10

6:00 p.m. Youth Girls' Study - Common Area
6:30 p.m. Men's Study - Mathis Home

Tuesday, July 11

10:00 a.m. Communications - Trinity Center
6:00 p.m. Open Gym Night
6:30 p.m. Seasons of Praise - Sanctuary

Wednesday, July 12

10:30 a.m. United Methodist Women -
Fellowship Hall
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir - Sanctuary

Easley First United Methodist Church Staff

Senior Pastor: Dr. Rodney Powell, rod@easleyfumc.org

Director of Youth & Children: Micah Sparrow, micah@easleyfumc.org

Office Manager: Kitty Daniels, kitty@easleyfumc.org

Organist: Steve Ellison

Nursery Worker: Sharon Sheriff

Sunday Morning Volunteers

SonRise Worship - Seasons of Praise Leader: Charlotte Garrison; **Communion Assistants:** Pam Bishop, Courtney Eppler, Larry Fetterly; **Greeters:** Mary & Ned Jones; **Lay Welcomer:** Greg Belle; **Ushers:** Richard Barnett, Bob Burns; **Nursery:** Joan Buffington; **Hospitality:** Sonya Boyles; **Mugging:** Diane Jones

Traffic Jam: Barbara & Jim Clark

11:00 Worship - Acolyte: Griffin Mason; **Lay Reader:** Mike Galloway; **Greeter:** Ophelia Brewer; **Nursery:** TBA ; **Ushers:** Tim Canova, Jim Fogle, Jimmy Jones, Riley King, Dale Mayson; **Visitor Registration:** Judy Daughtridge; **Mugging:** Shane Gilstrap; **Welcome Table:** Elizabeth Lawson

EFUMC Office Hours:
Monday - Wednesday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Friday 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE

5th Sunday After Pentecost

July 9, 2017

We Gather in Jesus' Name

Chimes of the Trinity

Welcome and Parish Notices

Rev. Rodney Powell

Opening Voluntary

"Children of the Heavenly Father"

ARR. J. WAYNE KERR

Call to Worship

"Spirit of the Loving God"

Invocation

*Hymn No. 89

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

HYMN TO JOY

Intercessory Prayer

Hymn No. 593

"Here I Am Lord"

HERE I AM LORD

We Encounter God's Word

Scripture Reading

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67
Matthew 11:16-19,25-30
Pew Bible page 23-24 OT; 16 NT

Mike Galloway

Anthem

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

ROLAND E. MARTIN

Report from Salkehatchie Team

We Respond to God's Love

Offering

Offertory

"He Leadeth Me"

JOSEPH GILMORE

*Doxology

No. 95

We are Sent into the World to Witness and Serve

*Hymn No. 261 “Lord of the Dance” LORD OF THE DANCE

*Dismissal with Prayer

*Choral Response “Go Ye, Go Ye Into the World”

*Closing Voluntary "Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him" ARR. ANNA LAURA PAGE

**Those who are able please stand.*

Visitors! Thank you for joining us in worship. If you will leave us contact information, we will be glad to send you the weekly bulletin by email. **First time visitors**, please fill out the bright yellow card and give it in to the “Mugger” at the door.

Please keep **Lunita Bagwell, David Holcombe** and **Parker League** in your prayers. We also remember **Doris Ellison**, (Steve’s mother), **Pam Hill**, sister-in-law of Jean Wilson, **Robin Vickery** and **leaders of our government** .

Our sympathy to Peggy Edwards and family, following the death of her brother, Robert Blackwell; and to the family of Helen Hopkins Sizemore. Helen died on July 4th.

Guests with small children: we welcome you to worship and are very glad to have your children with us! If needed, there is a nursery (0-3 year) available for our youngest children each Sunday morning in the sanctuary building.

Children’s worship sheets/bulletins and crayons are available from the ushers or on the table in the narthex.

The **Communication Team**, under the umbrella of the Congregational Care Committee, met this past week. In an effort to discern a more cost effective and timely way to communicate with the congregation, it was unanimously decided to do away with the monthly Informer. As many of you may recall, the Informer started out as a weekly publication, then for the last several years has been a monthly publication. It seems the newsletter is destined to go the way of other print media and is becoming, in many ways, obsolete and costly. However, in order to keep all in the communication loop, the weekly bulletin will be emailed to everyone who has an email address. (We need your current email address to ensure delivery to your mailbox.) The bulletin has a new format and contains all the news that is provided to the office for publication. The bulletin will still be distributed during worship services and the emailing will take place for those who are unable to attend weekly. Shut ins will continue to receive their bulletins via mail. Initially this change may be upsetting to some, but soon we’ll agree that it saves the church money, time, manpower and resources as we strive to be good stewards of our church and planet.

Anyone interested in working with children or youth (newborn through grade 12), are encouraged to attend a meeting tonight, at 6:00 p.m. in Trinity Center. If you have questions feel free to contact Kathie Cannon (864-320-2328).

A **ladies’ ring** has been found on campus. Please call the church office and give a description of the ring to claim.

United Methodist Men come join me, Gary Mathis, for a **Men’s Bible Study** on the book, “The Measure of a Man: 20 Attributes of a Godly Man” written by Gene Getz. Email me at goahm@clermson.edu or text me at 864-360-7402 and I will send you a schedule. The five week summer session will start on Monday, July 10, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at my house, 107 Buckingham Road in Easley.