



Welcome to
First United Methodist Church
 Siler City, North Carolina

*Our hearts, our minds,
 and our doors are always open.*

AN ORDER FOR OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

March 17, 2019, 10:00 AM
 Second Sunday In Lent

*We are so glad you are here to worship today.
 When the prelude begins, please prepare your heart for
 worship through silent prayer and meditation.*

(* denotes congregation standing if able)

GOD GATHERS US TOGETHER

PRELUDE **Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee** by A.C. Whitworth

WELCOME & GATHERING
(Please sign and pass the pew pads.)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Wait for the Lord. Be strong; take heart.
We will see the goodness of God in the land of the living.
 The Lord is our light and our salvation.
Whom shall we fear?
 Though adversaries plot against us,
God protects us from harm.
 Sing to the Lord with songs of joy.
Make melody to the Lord, our God.
 Come, let us worship.

*HYMN **Great Is Thy Faithfulness** *Hymnal p.140*
and

LIGHTING OF ALTAR CANDLES by Acolytes
(The Light of Christ brings us together to worship.)

***OPENING PRAYER**

**Guide us today, O God, into a season of examination.
 Show us our ancestors' ways: journeying, even wandering,
 boldly; remembering deliberately who they were and who we
 are. Guide us inward to the Word felt in our hearts, and
 outward to the Word heard on the lips of others. Grant us a
 season of depth and courage, we pray. Amen.**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S VOICE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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 today. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Genesis 15: 1-12, 17-18
Pew Bible p. 12

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Philippians 3:17-4:1
Pew Bible p. 198

Lay Reader: Susan Helmer

ANTHEM **Peace! Be Still!** by H. R. Palmer

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

*HYMN **Lead On, O King Eternal** *Hymnal p. 580*

*THE APOSTLES' CREED *Hymnal p. 881*

*GLORIA PATRI *Hymnal p. 70*

**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.**

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER *Hymnal p. 895*

THE WORSHIP OF GOD
 WITH GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY **Fly Away Medley** by M. Hamm

*DOXOLOGY *Hymnal p. 95*

DEDICATION OF OFFERING

MESSAGE **Luke 13: 31-35** Reverend Carl Belcher



GOD CALLS US TO RESPOND

*HYMN **I Am Thine, O Lord** *Hymnal p. 419*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Hymnal p. 883*

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

GOD SENDS US OUT TO SERVE

*THE LIGHT OF CHRIST LEADS US TO SERVE IN THE WORLD

*BENEDICTION

*CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

*POSTLUDE **Rejoice Ye Pure In Heart**

*The Altar Rail is a place for dedication, rededication or special prayer.
 You may come during the hymns and remain as long as you desire.*

Communion is held the first Sunday of every month during the 10:00am service and in the Chapel at 9:45 on all other Sundays.

Visitors, please sign our pew pads and place the completed form in the offertory plate. Thank you for worshipping with us today, and please join us again soon.

Childcare is available for all children from infant to 1st grade. Please turn right out of the Sanctuary and through double doors. Turn right and the Nursery is straight ahead.

Children's church has begun! Those who would like to participate will meet each Sunday after the Children's Moment during the worship service. Those between 3 and 8 years of age will meet in the Kid's Class and the Youth class is for ages ranging in 10-13.

Children's Worship Bags are available in the Narthex. Please enjoy and return the bags at the end of worship.

Hearing Aid Devices are available from the ushers.



GOD'S WORD FOR REFLECTION THIS WEEK

Wait for the Lord. Be strong and take heart, for God is our light and our salvation. - Psalm 27

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Food Pantry - Rice

Reverend Belcher will be holding his next bible study entitled, "Living As A United Methodist Christian" at 6:30 pm in the church dining room on March 13, 20, 27, April 3, 10, and 17. Please mark your calendars. The bible study is open to all ages. If you are interested in purchasing the book, which is optional, for approximately \$11, see Reverend Belcher.

Chatham County Council on Aging will be hosting a free Medicare Seminar on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 from 9:30am - 11:30am at the Western Chatham Senior Center. Flyers with more information are located on the table in the narthex.

Powerful Tools for Caregivers class being offered at the Western Chatham Senior Center. For more information, please pick up flyer from the table in the narthex that includes registration and contact information..

The Boys and Girls Golf Tournament in scheduled for Saturday, March 23rd. For more information, see Carl Belcher, Bill Milholen, or Terry Andrews.

March Madness Canned food drive will begin on March 17th and end on April 8th! Lets make it the best collection event ever!

The Apostle Build project is scheduled for April 6 beginning at 8:30am here in Siler City. If you are interested in participating even for just a few hours, contact Mike DeAngelo.

FUMC will be accepting Easter lily orders through noon on Monday, April 8. Extra order forms are located in the narthex and in the church office.

Anyone interested in participating in the Water Shed Study contact Catherine Deininger at 919.302.3162. The first meeting is scheduled for 9am on March 18th at Courtyard Coffee.



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Joan W. Armstrong by Craig and Peggy Wood.



Last Week's Presence

Sunday School	18
Worship Service	61

**Stewardship as of Last Sunday
January 2019 - December 2019**

General Fund Receipts	56,239.27
General Fund Expenses	-54,214.27
	\$2,025.00



CELEBRATIONS

March Birthdays

- 01 Glenn Grigg
- 02 Caleb Graham
- 05 Elizabeth Burke, Jonathan Daniel, Tucker Moore
- 06 Jackie Ellis
- 09 Jane Andrews
- 10 Judy Graham
- 12 Jo Duckworth
- 13 Oliver Henry Milholen
- 14 Sara Burgess
- 16 Harriett Riley, Whitney Kirkman
- 17 Robert Wrenn
- 18 Meredith Pleasants, Michael Andrews, III
- 21 Robbie Frickey
- 22 Jane Wrenn
- 23 Mary-Douglas Andrews
- 24 Carol Davidson
- 26 Christopher Tanner
- 27 Rod Tidy
- 28 Henry Smith, Jr.
- 29 Curt McBee, Susan Helmer, Mike Andrews
- 30 Robert Andrews

April Birthdays

- 02 Shirley Fry
- 03 Harrison Brewer
- 04 Robin Stackhouse, Phyllis Hancock, Olivia Steele
- 05 Louise Adcock
- 06 Adam Wrenn, David Brewer
- 07 Rachel Boone
- 08 Emily Tidy
- 09 Bob McKinley
- 10 Lane Snipes, Laurie Nunnery
- 12 Carly Cardman
- 13 Meg Burke, Craig Wood, Lisa Morse, Nancy Ferguson
- 15 Alex Daniels
- 18 Sharon Brewer
- 19 Lilly Milholen, Joe Hairr
- 20 Alexander Milholen
- 22 Lynda Pore
- 23 Lynda Smith
- 24 Tommy Griffin
- 25 Jay Pleasants, Brittany Davis, Jimmy Joyner, III, Cole Milholen
- 27 Shawn Smith
- 30 Jaelyn Griffin, Mary Brewer



March Anniversaries

- 02 Bennie and Trudy Walters
- 08 Henry and Molly Smith
- 16 Ron and Cindy Dameron
- 17 Shawn and Amanda Smith
- 23 Henry and Lynda Smith

April Anniversaries

- 01 Bub and Jackie Griffin
- 17 Archie and Louise Adcock
- 30 J. P. and Janet Joyner

LOOKING AHEAD	
MARCH	APRIL
17th - First day to place order for Easter lily	2nd - Handbell practice at 6pm
17th - March Madness Canned Food Drive begins	2nd - Choir practice at 7pm
18th - JOY meets at 1:30	3rd - <i>Living as United Methodist Christians</i> Bible Study at 6:30 Part 4
19th - Handbell practice at 6pm	4th - <i>Dine Around Girls</i> meet at 11:30am
19th - Choir practice at 7pm	4th - Fuel-up meets at 1pm
20th - <i>Living as United Methodist Christians</i> Bible Study at 6:30 Part 2	6th - Apostle Build begins at 8:30am
21st - Fuel-up meets at 1pm	7th - Dessert Auction at 5:30
23rd - Boys & Girls Club Golf Tournament	8th - <i>Threads of Faith</i> meet at 10:30
25th - <i>Threads of Faith</i> meet at 10:30	8th - Easter Lily orders due by noon
26th - Handbell practice at 6pm	9th - Handbell practice at 6pm
26th - Choir practice at 7pm	9th - Choir practice at 7pm
27th - Free Medicare Seminar	10th - <i>Living as United Methodist Christians</i> Bible Study at 6:30 Part 5
27th - <i>Living as United Methodist Christians</i> Bible Study at 6:30 Part 3	11th - Fuel-up meets at 1pm
28th - Fuel-up meets at 1pm	14th - Palm Sunday
31st - Fifth Sunday Gathering at Bestfood's after the service	14th - First Day to order flowers for Mother's Day
	15th - JOY meets at 1:30
	16th - Handbell practice at 6pm
	16th - Choir practice at 7pm

Each Sunday, enjoy coffee & fellowship in the dining room following Sunday School.

Community Calendar

- Flexercise, Mon/Wed/Fri 8:30 AM
- Lions Club, 2nd & 4th Mon, 6:30 PM
- Chatham Literacy, Sat 9-12 noon
- Links to Freedom, Sun/Wed/Fri 8 PM
- Cub & Boy Scouts, Each Tues, 6:30 PM
- Threads of Faith, 2nd & 4th Mon, 10:30 AM
- SHARE, 2nd Wed. beginning Sept, 12:00 PM
- JOY, Every 3rd Monday at 1:30 PM
- Dine Around Girls, 1st Thursday of each month at 11:30 AM
- Choir Practice Each Tues, 7:00 PM

THE CHURCH STAFF

Reverend Carl Belcher (cbelcher@fumcsilercity.org)	Pastor Cell-919-215-5598
S. Timothy Davidson	<i>Director of Music</i>
YoLonda Moody (office@fumcsilercity.org)	<i>Admin. Assistant</i>
Pam Whitaker (pwhitaker@fumcsilercity.org)	<i>Financial Secretary</i>
Jeff Brown	<i>Custodian</i>
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Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIIES

- 9:00 AM Sunday School
- 9:20 AM Choir Practice
- 9:45 AM Communion in Chapel
- 10:00 AM Worship Service

Church Member of the Month

Maxine Brady

808 N. Glenn Avenue Siler City, 27344



Prayer Requests

March 17 - March 23

Sunday

Marjorie Stackhouse Patricia Barner
 Susie Marcle Evelyn Tidy
 Cora Lee Womble (*Janet Joyner*) Noah Kirkman
 Robin Cox Mark Scott (*Raymond Brewer*)
 Mary DeAngelo Kay Paschal (*Trudy & Bennie Walters*)
 Ellouise Schoettlet (*Lynda Smith*)

Monday

LaJeanne & Sandy Pierce Dennis Sawyer
 Olivia Diamant Kenny Clark
 Bennie Walters (*Bob Andrews*) David Hollingsworth
 Mark Walker (*Carl Belcher*) Jim Brooks
 Carol Davidson The Family of Joan Armstrong
 Janet Joyner

Tuesday

Steve Crotts Elizabeth Meadows
 Willis Wrenn Presley Walters (*Trudy Walters*)
 Alice Ray

Wednesday

Eddie Gaines (*Dan Marley*) The Family of Marie Long
 Archie Adcock Wayne Fogleman (*Chuck Hughes*)
 The Steele Family (*Mary DeAngelo*)

Thursday

Dawn Stumpf Pastor Josh Conrad (*Louise Adcock*)
 The Family of Trevor and Patty Rubenzer (*Jane*) Janice Poston
 Geraldine Kirk (*Emily Carlyle*) Sunnie Bird (*Marti Greene*)
 Greg Upton (*Janet Joyner*) Kenny Sawyers (*Carl Belcher*)

Friday

Lacy Anderson (*Bob Andrews*) Anne Forbis (*Heather Belcher*)
 Carol Burke (*Carolyn Clark*) Billy Brower

Saturday

Rylee (*Bob Andrews*) Teenage Girl (*Lynda Smith*)
 Michael Marshall

UPCOMING SERVING SERVANTS

	March 17, 2019		March 24, 2019		March 31, 2019	
	10:00 Service	Alternate	10:00 Service	Alternate	8:30 Service	Alternate
Greeters	Bennie & Trudy Walters		Bennie & Trudy Walters		Bennie & Trudy Walters	
Liturgist	John McSween	Brenda Dunn	Brenda Dunn	John McSween	Diane Armstrong	Brenda Dunn
Lay Reader	Susan Helmer	John Powell	Mickey Pore	Richard Kirkman	Carol Davidson	John Powell
Acolyte	Jane Butler		Austin Greene		Olivia Steele	
Nursery	Katie Palmer		Marti Greene		Anne Mathias	
Altar Guild	Betty Wood		Lynda Smith			
Ushers	Raymond Brewer, Chief Robert Andrews Le Greene Austin Greene		Raymond Brewer, Chief Robert Andrews Le Greene Austin Greene		Raymond Brewer, Chief Robert Andrews Le Greene Austin Greene	
Audio-Visual	Richard Kirkman Mike Armstrong		Peggy Wood Jane Andrews		Le Greene TBD	
Children's Moment	Sherri Powell		Sherri Powell		Sherri Powell	
Kid's Church	Shirley Fry		Shirley Fry		Shirley Fry	
Youth Church	Bob Andrews		Sara Sparrow		Bob Andrews	



Long Term Care

Village Lake Inn:

Eunice Terry, Betty Pollock, Marjorie Stackhouse (Room 23)
 219 Village Lake Road, Siler City, 27344

Coventry House

Jane Farmer 418 Pine Lake Drive Siler City, NC 27344

Brookdale

Ada Jo Burke, 2105 West Arlington Blvd. Greenville, NC 27834

Those who have moved away:

Jackie Ellis: 83 Jupiter Hills Drive, Weaverville, NC 28787

Church and Family Members Away from Home

Alex Daniels, US Navy (*son of Le and Marti Greene*)
 1448 Aunauna St, Kaila, HI 96734

