

How Can I Serve?

Across South Carolina, United Methodists are collecting new and gently used bikes for the conference's **Annual Conference Bike Initiative**. Each district is collecting 100 bikes and \$1,000, for a total of 1,200 bikes and \$12,000 towards this mission initiative. **Bikes may be brought to the FLC or cash donations marked "Bikes."**



Help4Kids

1. Vienna Sausages
2. Peanut/Cheese Crackers
3. Juice Boxes

CAP (Churches Assisting People) are collecting Pasta, Rice, Pasta Sauce, Mac and Cheese, Dry Cereal. Please leave your donations in the Mission Corner of the Commons.

The **Flower Calendar** is posted in the Narthex. Please take a moment to reserve dates that are important to you or your family. Altar Flowers are not a budgeted item. They are gifts to the church by those who graciously sign up. **Flowers for May 7 and May 28 are especially needed.**

TRANSFORM A CHILD'S FUTURE. Each year, Epworth Children's Home provides care to children in our own communities who have experienced abuse, neglect, and loss. Epworth's care breaks the destructive cycle and encourages children to aim higher in life. The physical, emotional, academic, and spiritual care they receive transforms lives. On Sunday, May 14, 2017, our congregation will support Epworth by collecting the **Annual Epworth Mother's Day Offering**. We invite you to give generously to the children who call Epworth home. Epworth does not receive denominational funding (apportionments). This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. For more information, please visit Epworth on the web at www.epworthchildrenshome.org



Birthdays This Week

May 1: Sue Sunday, Doris Gamber, Piper Gawith, Anna Kate Nelson, Dylan and Andrew Roof, Mark Roberts

May 3: Birdie Insley

May 5: Emily Thompkins

Newcomer's Meet & Greet

with Rev. Kyle will be in the Family Life Center TODAY, **April 30 at 9:30 a.m.** Come and learn more about First UMC.

First UMC will receive new members during morning worship on Sunday, April 30. If you are interested in uniting with the First Family, please contact Rev. Kyle at:
kyle.randle@fumconway.org or 843-488-4251



Saturday, May 6 / 7:00 a.m. to Noon **UMW and Mission Team Annual Yard Sale** **in the Fellowship Hall**

Room available now for smaller and boxed items at Family Life Center - come in front entrance and first room on right.

Drop Off of Donated Items at Fellowship Hall starting:

Saturday, April 29 / 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

May 1 through May 4 / from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For special arrangements please call Jan Gawith at 843-246-5764



Chanticleer's Baseball Game Day Fellowship **TODAY @ 1:00 p.m.**

Coastal vs. Troy

30 Tickets @ \$8 each will be available via the Ticket Booth at the stadium under "First UMC!"
Don't Miss this Fun Time of Fellowship!



Parents, if you have children graduating from either High School or College, please email or call the church office no later than **Wednesday, May 10**. The students' full name, where they are graduating from and their future plans are needed.

office@fumconway.org



Congratulations to Hoa and Michelle Pham who were joined in Christian marriage, Saturday April 22.

Nursery Attendant: First Church is seeking a nursery attendant to care for our children 4 and under. Schedule is 9:00-12:00 every Sunday with occasional weekday duties. Attendant will play with the kids and keep them safe while their parents are attending services. Experience with young children required. Submit resume to: jobs@fumconway.org

Churches Assisting People (CAP) is taking applications for a Client Counselor position. Position requires personal contact with needy clients and a willingness to attend to their needs in a positive manner. Must be computer literate. Experience with one on one client contact is a plus. Ability to work together with staff and volunteers is of utmost importance. Please submit resume to CAP, 307 Wright Blvd., Conway, SC 29526.



2017-2018 Preschool Registration

has begun. A five day program, hours: 8:30~11:30 a.m. Enrollment Packets are available in the Narthex, Bell Tower Entrance and the Commons. Also in the Church Office and via the Church Website [click here](#). Contact Josh Tietje with any questions or for more information. Josh.Tietje@fumconway.org



Space for each week is limited, enroll early!

Enrollment Flyers are located at the Narthex, Commons and Bell Tower Entrances. Also in the Church Office and on the Website.

Camp/Weekly sessions will include a variety of playful, fun and creative activities (both indoor and outdoor) such as arts and crafts, music, nature walks, parachute play, story-time, cooking, free play, imaginative games, projects (and more) that enhance the "weekly theme" allowing all children to connect to learning in a whole new way! Please contact Josh Tietje with any questions. josh.tietje@fumconway.org or 843-488-4251



College Scholarship applications for the academic year 2017-2018 are available online at the church's web site and through the church office. **General Scholarship:** Students who choose to major/minor in Liberal Arts/Professional subjects. **Ministerial Scholarship:** Students who choose to major/minor in programs leading to a career in ministry, missionary work, church related education. **Music Scholarship:** Students who elect a music related major/minor for a career in music oriented positions.

Application Deadline: May 17.

Serving Next Sunday, May 7

Altar Guild: Jeannie Dusenbury, Libby Jones, Betty Woodward
Acolytes and Crucifer: Lila Myers, Chad Steinfield, Cooper Thomas

Counting Committee: Sallie Goldfinch, Sarah Staub

Trustee Duty: Anna Barnhill, Kent Bitting

Bus Duty: David Jordan

Children's Church: William and Jill Nelson

Sound Technicians: Lee Hickman, Charles Hucks

Ushers: Mike Thomas (Chairman) Bill Foxworth, David Jordan, Tom Overby, Justin Powell, Carl Purvis, Justin Roof, Mike Saville, Bob Sherry, Bob Wiley

Stewardship for the week of April 23

Operating	8,599.50	Sunday School	132
General Scholarship	120.00	Worship	200
Haiti	30.00	Wonderful Wednesday	94
Building Fund	200.00	Help4Kids Items	
Capital Campaign	737.00	Cheese/Peanut Crackers	56
Total	9,686.50	Vienna Sausages	24
		Bags of Clothing	3
		CAP Items	27

Did You Know....?

The processional cross has a long history of use in the Church and is often a significant work of art. The cross often stands near the Altar or Communion Table. As the cross is lifted high and carried into worship at each service by the crucifier, it becomes a powerful sign of Christ's presence with us. It is accompanied by acolytes who bear the light of Christ along with the assisting and presiding ministers. In many traditions, the congregation turns to face the cross as it enters and to bow as a sign of reverence, acknowledging Christ's presence, as it passes. As the sending hymn is sung, the cross leads the congregation to the entrance doors for the benediction where we carry the presence of Christ with us into the world.

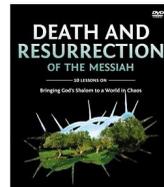
Wonderful Wednesday

Bellacino's Pizza, Salad Bar, and Dessert!
@ the Family Life Center
 \$5 per person, \$15 per family, \$5 To-go Box
 Children 3 and under eat free!



Drawing All Things to God:
A Series Around the Life of Jesus the Christ
 Join Rev. Kyle in Room 224
 Wednesdays @ 6:15 p.m.

Through this series, we will just walk awhile together in our skins and see what comes through.



Wednesdays in Room 216 at 6:15 p.m. A quest to uncover Scripture and its meaning across history. You will discover why Jesus turned the world upside down with his compelling call to follow him.



VBS June 4 - 7
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Helping Hands are Needed!
Please contact Josh!

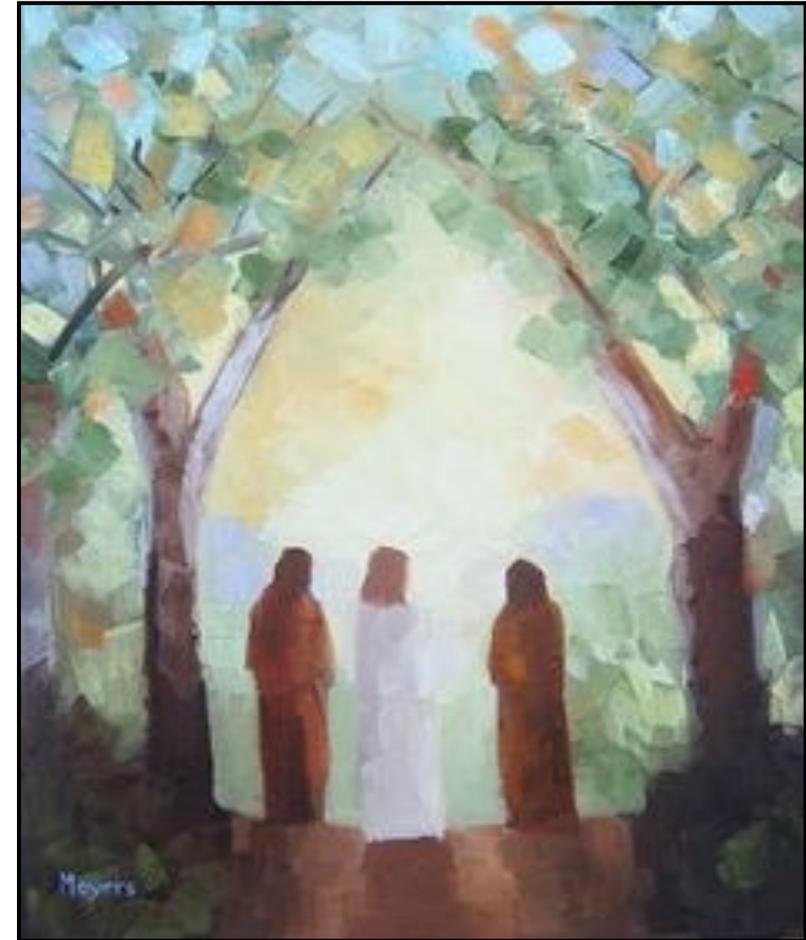
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Step back in time with the Apostle Paul and experience what life was like in first century Rome!

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First View



On the Road to Emmaus.



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