



Food Drive

A Friendly Competition!
Through November 30



Who's your favorite?
USC or Clemson?

Be sure your team wins the food drive by bringing in canned foods to fill the designated team-decorated boxes in the Narthex &

Commons!

Score Board

Clemson: 168 USC: 208



Help4Kids Snack Paks Collection

Vienna Sausage & Beanie Weenies

CAP Food Items needed this week

Cereals, Jelly, and Mac & Cheese

Food stamp recipients will be facing a 20% reduction in funds. As a result, CAP patrons will be in need now more than ever. Please be mindful of the extra hardship of those in the Conway community when you make your weekly purchases.



Support our church for FREE

while shopping online! Just sign up to the church's new fund-raising program www.UMCmarket.org which

has been approved by the UMC Global Ministries. A percentage of your shopping will be donated to our church. Go to **UMCmarket** and become a member!

Prayer Concerns

Hospitals: CMC: Genair Hutchinson

Assisted Living Facilities: Emeritus: Bobbie Davis; **Conway**

Manor: Edith Lewis; **Kingston:** Ruth Coy; **Colfax, NC:**

Carolyn Cox; **Cornelius, NC:** Helen Wakefield; **Mt. Prospect,**

IL: Faye Perrault

At Home: Jane Gore, Wallace Singleton, Bobbie Tyler, Genair

Hutchinson, Gwen Mishoe, Diana Rodwell, Tootsie Atkins,

Frankie Hart, Tommy Jordan, Irene Calhoun, Ruth Thomas.



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Ten Apples

Those who oversee the finances for the church often ask, "What does God want to do through us in the next year with the resources that have been committed to God?" Let's consider the story of the ten apples. God says nine of the apples are yours to take care of your family, to clothe yourselves. Use them for food and for shelter and set some aside for retirement, give some away to your friends, and some are to be used for the poor and for pleasure—trips and vacations. You've got nine apples, but the Lord says, "One of them is mine. And it's meant to be used, first of all, as a way for you to express your praise and love for me. I will use it to accomplish my mission in the world."

But many of us feel pulled in many directions—that nine apples are not enough anymore. We begin to borrow from the Lord's apple. After all, God won't mind if we take just a little bit. But before long, a little bit becomes a little more and a little more until there's not much left—of the Lord's apple. We say, "Well, Lord, this is your part." God says, put aside the Lord's apple first—give of your first fruits to me."

Today is Consecration Sunday. In our worship service, we will have the opportunity to consecrate our personal commitments for the coming year. You should have received an estimate of giving commitment card in the mail for 2014. If you did not receive one or you forgot to bring it with you today, additional cards are available in the Narthex. We invite you to prayerfully consider what your offering to God through our church will be in the coming year, fill out a card, and bring it forward during the Hymn of Response.

Our anticipated budget for 2014 that will be presented to the Finance Committee and to Church Council is \$488,000. This includes a 3 % increase from 2013 that takes into effect increased costs in property insurance and utilities. Once the budget is presented and approved at the Church Council, copies will be available for the congregation. Just as you plan for a personal budget with knowledge of your income for the coming year, we too plan based upon your commitments. We pray that you will consider this in bringing forth an estimate of giving card.



A **very important** planning meeting for all those who are involved in the **Lay Leadership for 2014. Monday, November 18 at 6:00 p.m. in the FLC**, this will be a brief meeting to go over some of the plans/opportunities/responsibilities in the coming year. Please make arrangements to attend. Contact Blake Martin with any questions. (843) 331-2819

Finance Committee Meeting on Tuesday, November 19 at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center.

Church Council Meeting on November 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center.



For those who **did not** order pictures from Life Touch, your free 8x10 is available to pick up. Please go to the designated location in the **First Floor Commons**.

Monday mornings at 10:30 a.m. in the FLC Senior Room: "Coffee Talk, Come Fill Your Cup!" Great time of discussion and study! See Tim Whitten for more information!



Looking for a way to connect with and serve God's people? Want to get involved being the hands and feet of Jesus? Have a gift you can share?

Stop by the table in the **Commons Area today** for more information on a variety of mission opportunities for the whole congregation—from right here in Conway to far across the globe (El Salvador, Liberia, Alabama Rural Missions). Whether you're just nosy or you're ready to pack a bag, come and see how you might be a part of Christ's body reaching across the globe. Information sheets are available for you to fill out. Talk with Rev. Kyle or Tim for more information. An informational meeting will be held soon for those interested. Look for more details.

Wonderful Wednesday This Week's Menu

Listen to the Sunday Morning Announcements
For the menu!

Advent Bible Study

Wednesdays at 6:30, join us for a journey, "Walking the Road to Bethlehem" as we prepare for the upcoming Christmas season. The study/discussion will take place in the John McCutcheon classroom on the lower level of the Education Wing. Please see Rev. Kyle for more details.

THE REQUIEM performance on November 1 was **digitally recorded** in our sanctuary and will be made available for 10.00 per compact disc through the church office.

Autumn to Advent Organ and Piano Recital will be presented at First Baptist Church, Conway by the church's newly appointed organist, Roberta Rowland-Raybold, on Sunday, November 24 at 3:00 p.m. Ms. Rowland-Raybold moved to Little River from Cooperstown, N.Y. and is active as a composer, recitalist, teacher, and member of the Grand Strand AGO. A free event.

Candlelight Advent Concerts will be presented at FUMC on Sundays in Advent at 5:00 in the sanctuary. December 1 will be a Brass Quintet; December 8 will be a Woodwind Quintet; and December 15 will be a Piano Trio. Performers will be members of Long Bay Symphony and members of Long Bay Symphony Youth Orchestra. These concerts are free events.

The Art Show in the Commons in December will be photography of Anna Saville Levy. The art shows are sponsored by the music ministry of FUMC to showcase talented visual artists within our church. Anyone wishing to show original artwork may call the church office to be put on the schedule.



Birthdays This Week

November 17: Jonas Randle

November 18: Allie and Luke Johnson, Betty Folks,
David Hinson

November 21: Mary Catherine Cecil, Lindsey Altman

November 22: Travis Dannelly

November 24: Susanne Owens



United Methodist Women Bazaar & Bake Sale

**Saturday, December 14, 2013
9:30 to Noon**

We are seeking talents from our Church Family. Perhaps you are one of those gifted individuals who has a craft or artistic item you have made and could donate – quilted pillows, pot holders, Christmas ornaments, small framed picture, knitted or crocheted item, bird house or etc. There is always a need for baked goods and since this is the morning of the Christmas Parade individual servings sell well.

Proceeds are for mission endeavors – in our community and reaching beyond. If you are able to contribute your talents, please call Jan Gawith @ 347-9274 home or 843-246-5764 cell.

Altar flowers are needed for December 15. Please take a moment and sign up. Altar flowers are not a budgeted item. They are gifts to the church by those who sign up.

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Church Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30-3:30 and Friday 8:30-12:30

First View



Super Typhoon Haiyan, a category 5 storm-and perhaps the strongest storm ever recorded–swept through the Philippines on Friday, November 8, causing extensive damage, displacing at least 670,000 people, and affecting a total of 11.3 million people. Initial estimated numbers of those killed and injured by the super storm are expected to climb.

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is providing emergency food, water, and water purification tablets to 7,500 individuals (or 1,500 families) in Tacloban City in Leyte Province, The city was devastated by the typhoon and many there have no access to food, water, or medicine.

Over the next two Sundays we will be receiving donations to the UMCOR initiative. Please note on your check on or envelope "UMCOR." 100% of funds given goes directly to aid the victims of the typhoon. FUMC has already received a generous gift, will you also give generously?



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